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From Your President

Hello Members

Well the last nine weeks are here! Summer school is around the corner.

This year has flown by for me since I was out for a total of 2 1/2 months with two different Covid-19 attacks. That's alright ,the Doctors say I am loaded with antibodies. I hope all of you are doing fine and are over this mess. I will say all of you have done a great job considering all that has happened this year.

Remember evaluations are coming up this month. We negotiated that it would be at this time that you would individually turn in your additional documented time sheets showing a daily repetition, as well as a weekly and monthly repetition during the whole school term. I have attached a voucher you can submit with your documents.

We have been busy with the Florida Government who is trying to pass anti-freedom bills in the Senate and House of Representatives. Bills 1014 and 835 will remove your right to join and stay in the union. You will have to rejoin annually, the District will be confirming your intent to join, your dues will not be payroll deducted and WCSP will be required to have 50% membership. You can go on the FEAweb.org/ Session to read or take action. Please take action. I and some other members went to Tallahassee to speak to senate and representatives. The bills have been pushed back on the schedule. We are not out of the woods yet because sometimes they push it back hoping we go away. *Which we won't.* Please go to web and take action. If we lose certification we lose our union and our contract. Meaning we are alone as sole agents working under the district.

We have started a new organizing team that will be contacting members and potential members. Please show support for this new team and help them reach their goal of 50% membership. It is imperative that we increase our percentage in membership and make our voices heard. More members give us a stronger voice!

We are here for you and we will have your backs when you need support.

This year will be open book contract negotiations. We are working on adding Articles pertaining to job descriptions like Article 26 is Bus Drivers. I would like Articles 27 and 28 to be school and district staff and then Technical staff. We will survey different job categories to access needs in each job category to use during negotiations. It will be located in your email (personal). If you received this newsletter through

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the postal service, then we do not have a personal email address on file for you. Please call the office at 850-763-3416 or email Lisa Williams at lisa.williams@floridaea.org to update your personal information and provide a personal email address.

Remember keep checking emails for important updates and visit our website.

Our Regular union meeting is the 4th Thursdays 5:30 pm on zoom.

In Solidarity,

Victoria Wilkerson WCSP President

The most important word in the language of the working class is **SOLIDARITY**.

I am a union worker. That means I am part of an organization that fights not only for my benefit, but for everyone's benefit.

UNIONS set the standards.

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General Membership Meeting

Thursday, April 22, 2021

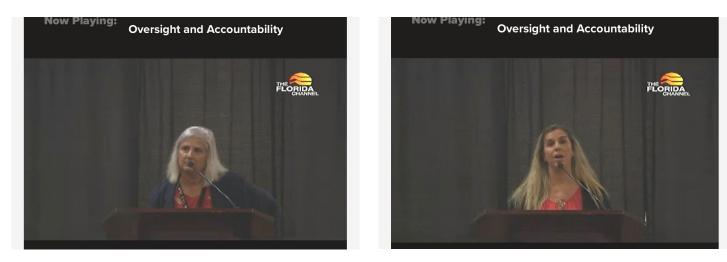
Membership Meeting Link/Call Information

https://zoom.us/j/91728511834?pwd=Q2EOek1hakFrZkk0 NDRPbWgrQzZ5UT09

or by phone 1 929 205 6099 and then enter Meeting ID: 917 2851 1834

and Passcode: 958203

WCSP IN ACTION TESTIFYING IN TALLAHASSEE



Victoria Wilkerson

Caroline LoGelfo

History is a great teacher. Everyone knows the labor movement did not dimmish the strength of the nation, but *enlarged* it. By raising the living standards of millions, labor miraculously created a market for industry and lifted the whole nation to undreamed of levels of production. Those who attack labor forget these simple truths, but *history* remembers them.

Martin Luther King, Jr.