Second listening session led by members

The second in a series of listening session was held on 8/27/19 at the Pease Public Library in Plymouth. This session was conducted by members Dennis Etchells, Karen Irwin and Tracy Rousseau.

Commission on Workplace Violence meets on 9/17

SEA/SEIU Local1984 will be represented by Dennis Etchells, Jr. on the Commission on Workplace Violence which had its initial meeting on Tuesday, 9/17. The Commission was established with the passage of SB 29 during the last legislative session. The Commission wants to hear concerns of employees about acts of violence that have or have the potential to occur at their worksite. If you have workplace violence concerns you want addressed you should contact the SEA.

SEIU1984 members Phillip Keech, Brandonn Grassman, Tom Wainwright and Peter Paplaskas express their point of view to Karen Irwin while Dennis Etchells looks on.

Listening Session Three

Planning has started for listening session three in Nashua for late in October. We hope to create an opportunity for those in the southern part of the state to share their values as conservatives in the SEA. Data gathered at the first two listening sessions have given us good information. Nashua members now have an opportunity to tell us what they think and add to the momentum.

You talk, we listen
To Our Members

Internal counts show that well over 30% of our membership votes a republican ballot on election day. We are active in our political action committee and have supported multiple Republicans financially as well as with boots on the ground. In April, our political action committee voted to give Sen. Carson a campaign donation of $1,000. We also supported Rep. James Allard by door knocking and phone banking.

Our CMC members are serious Republicans. They attend Republican meetings locally and consider candidates for support who support our core issues, which include good wages and benefits, worksite safety, and job security. We want to support politicians who understand real family values. We want to have an open discussion internally and externally with our public and legislators.

We look forward to talking with more members, the public, media and legislators about issues and hearing what legislators plan for the upcoming session. We also have plans for the upcoming session.

You are invited to attend our meetings. We meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the SEA office at 5:00 PM.

Events Calendar

September 25 - Regular meeting of the CMEC
October 9 - Special meeting of the CMEC
October 19 - SEA/SEIU Convention
October 23 - Regular meeting of the CMEC
October 30 - Nashua Listening Session
All Month - Engage your Power!

Contracting out State Services

Does this sound familiar to you?

Some New Hampshire state agencies use contract workers to perform the work of their agency. Contractors work regular hours like employees but are paid sometimes 5 to 10 times the amount employees are paid. In some cases, these contractors have desks right next to regular employees.

IRS definition of an independent contractor:

"The general rule is that an individual is an independent contractor if the payer has the right to control or direct only the result of the work and not what will be done and how it will be done."

We want these employees to join the union and contribute to the retirement system and contribute to the goals of union members and state employees.

Funds that could support state employees go to expensive contractors instead.

Contracting is a widespread problem in state government. These functions are within the scope of state employees. These are budget busting expenses which the taxpayers of New Hampshire bear.

Stop Contracting Our Jobs. Stop giving raises to contractors. Give us a raise!