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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

The monthly meeting, normally the third Wednesday, has been tentatively rescheduled to **6:15 p.m. June 26** in observation of the Juneteenth Holiday. Register at [afscmelocal88.org](http://afscmelocal88.org)

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

**Wednesday, July 3 at 6:15 p.m.**  
Any member may attend as a non-voting visitor.

# MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

BY JACKIE TATE **AFSCME LOCAL 88 PRESIDENT** | [president@afscmelocal88.org](mailto:president@afscmelocal88.org)

## COLA coming July 1

Great news! Our new Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) of 3.3% will be effective July 1. It is the last installment of the 13.3% the union negotiated for our three year contract. If you are excited about COLA increases and other negotiated benefits, we invite you to get involved as we build our support and communication team for bargaining our new contract next year. There are a lot of ways to be involved! The more diverse

the participation in these groups, the better we are at coming to the table with great ideas. To learn more:

- Visit our website at [afscmelocal88.org](http://afscmelocal88.org)
- Join our monthly general membership meeting (6:15 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month)
- Email the cabinet at [88cabinet@afscmelocal88.org](mailto:88cabinet@afscmelocal88.org)
- Join the Local 88 Member Action Team online at [bit.ly/4dUvkkK](http://bit.ly/4dUvkkK)
- Join the Local 88 Standing Bargaining Committee online at [bit.ly/4bxtlKV](http://bit.ly/4bxtlKV)



## May 21 primary election results

Congratulations to the following Local 88- endorsed candidates who won their seats in the May primary election:



**Vince Jones-Dixon**  
County Commissioner District 4



**Julia Brim-Edwards**  
County Commissioner District 3

The following Local 88-endorsed candidates are heading to a November runoff election and will need our continued support:



**Meghan Moyer**  
County Commissioner District 1



**Shannon Singleton**  
County Commissioner District 2

## Local 88 supports library staff

Local 88 leadership and library stewards stood in support and solidarity with our library staff against transphobia. An anti-transgender group planned a meeting at Central Library but library stewards worked with staff and management to show a united front against hate both inside and in front of the library. In addition, many members of the transgender and non-binary community and allies gathered outside the library to show the visibility for this vibrant community and refusal to be silenced or denied their

humanity. They brought music, created art and supported each other and library staff. It was a wonderful gathering and the anti-trans group did not show up! We are proud to stand with our transgender and non-binary siblings and to affirm that we value and support *all* of our members. We stand against hate, in all forms. We know there is more work to do to ensure our workplaces are safe and we continue to work towards trauma leave and other solutions to fight for everyone's safety! In Solidarity!

## Congrats new 2024 stewards

We would like to congratulate the following new stewards sworn in since January of 2024:

- Aaron Leach
- Grey Chavez Bauer
- Kimber Seiffert
- Scotty Sherington
- Em Rowan
- H Pitschmann
- Alan Stapleton
- Sussett Cao Aloy
- August "Gus" Kroll
- Alexis Roth
- Paula Mckenzie
- Mandy Kubisch
- Lunette Wimberly
- Joey Jordan
- Cecilia Powers

- Jennifer Tomasko
- Nia Bravo
- Ramon Benton
- Dandy Wegener
- Dylan Thompson
- Daniel Milimuka
- Jeanine Moreland
- La'frese Isom
- E. Dominguez
- Alis Smbatyan

Stewards are union members who volunteer their time to represent and defend the interests of fellow co-workers. They assist in fighting contract violations, they advocate for members when they face difficul-

ties in the workplace, and they ensure that our rights are upheld. Stewards are incredibly important and the backbone of our union. Stewards also help uphold our contract and make sure the union is represented in our workplaces.

If you are in need of a steward, go online to [afscmelocal88.org/stewards-lead-stewards](http://afscmelocal88.org/stewards-lead-stewards)

To learn more about becoming a steward, go to [afscmelocal88.org/how-to-become-a-steward](http://afscmelocal88.org/how-to-become-a-steward)

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