

AFT WASHINGTON CONVENTION CALL

The Hotel Murano, Tacoma

May 15 – 16, 2015

REPRESENTATION: Based on AFT Washington Bylaws Article IX, Section 3, Voting Body, the following is a list of the allowed voting and delegate strengths of all AFT Washington locals:

LOCAL	VOTING STRENGTH	DELEGATE STRENGTH
AFT Everett Higher Education Local 1873	206	15
AFT Everett Professional Staff Local 6485	0	0
AFT Kent Classified Local 6344	151	13
AFT Professional Staff at Clover Park Local 6431	27	3
AFT Renton Local 6367	137	12
AFT RTC Classified Local 6421	32	4
AFT Seattle Community Colleges Local 1789	532	25
AFT University of Washington English Language Faculty Local 6486	54	6
AFT Washington Retiree Chapter Local 8045R	1	1
AFT Yakima Local 1485	192	15
AFT Yakima Professional Staff Local 6390	7	2
Bates Technical College Local 4184	163	13
Cascadia Community College Federation of Teachers Local 6191	117	11
Centralia College Federation of Teachers Local 4469	68	7
Clover Park Technical College Federation of Classified Local 4789	77	8
Clover Park Vocational Federation Local 3913	164	13
Cornish Federation of Teachers Local 4169	24	3
Edmonds Community College Federation of Teachers Local 4254	213	16
Everett Federation of Teachers Local 772	10	2
Faculty Prof Union of Western Washington State Local 2084	615	26
Federation of Head Start Employees Local 6153	61	7
Grays Harbor College Federation of Teachers Local 4984	100	10
Green River Community College Federation of Teachers Local 2195	177	14
Lake Washington Institute of Technology Local 3533	53	6
Lake Washington Federation of College Classified Local 4787	59	6
Peninsula Community College Federation of Teachers Local 3439	18	2
Pierce College Federation of Teachers Local 4821	156	13
Renton Federation of Teachers Local 3914	89	9
Shoreline College Federation of Teachers Local 1950	201	15
Skagit Valley College Federation of Teachers Local 4985	118	11
Sno-Isle Vocational Skills Center Federation Local 4087	21	3
South Puget Sound Federation of Teachers Local 4603	110	11
Tacoma Community College Federation Local 2196	226	16
Tacoma Federation of ParaEducators Local 461	477	24
United Classified Workers of Washington Local 4795	169	13
United Faculty of Central Washington University Local 3231	196	15
United Faculty of Eastern Washington University Local 4904	167	13
United Faculty of Evergreen State College Local 6392	134	12
Whatcom Community College Federation of Teachers Local 3591	86	9

DELEGATE REGISTRATION: Two credential forms are enclosed.

- Return the **YELLOW** credential to the AFT Washington office by **Saturday, April 25, 2015**.
- A check of **\$100 per delegate** must be enclosed with the **YELLOW** credential form to take advantage of the lower pre-registration fee.
- Keep in mind that the names of your delegates **must** be sent to the AFT Washington office on or before **April 25, 2015**, using the **YELLOW** credential regardless of when registration fees are paid.
- The **GREEN** (duplicate) credential is required for convention registration and must be presented by your local's **Chief Delegate**. Please be sure that the chief delegate has the **GREEN** credential to present to the Credentials Committee at the Convention registration table.

REGISTRATION COSTS:

- Delegates may pre-register for \$100 if payment and **YELLOW** credential are postmarked on or before **April 25, 2015**.
- The cost of late registration (postmarked after April 25, 2015) and on-site registration is \$120. Registration fees cover Friday night dinner, continental breakfast and buffet lunch on Saturday, and convention materials.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Hotel reservations must be made **by FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2015**. Delegates may call The Hotel Murano directly at (253) 238-8000 to make reservations, or may use the reservations line at 1-866-986-8083. Use the group code **AFT WASHINGTON** to receive the group rate. All room rates in the AFT Washington block are offered according to number of guests per room. You may choose a room with one king bed or a room with two double beds for the same price: \$159 per night for up to two people; \$169 per night for three people; and \$179 per night for four people. Room tax is 13.5% per night, and a \$1.50 per night Tourism Promotion Area tax is also assessed. Hotel amenities include complimentary parking, wireless Internet connection, and access to the hotel's

24-hour fitness center.

ROOM GUARANTEE: Please note that a credit card or deposit is required to guarantee rooms. Again, the cutoff date to reserve hotel rooms at the group rate is **April 24, 2015**. After that date, the block of rooms reserved for the AFT Washington Convention may be released and late reservations will be accepted on a space-available and market-rate basis.

RESOLUTIONS: Resolutions to the convention may be submitted by locals, the AFT Washington Retiree Chapter, AFT Washington Councils, or the AFT Washington Executive Board. No resolution shall be submitted later than **twenty (20) days** prior to the opening of the convention unless two-thirds (2/3) of the convention votes to suspend this rule and consider a given resolution as a special order of business. This year, the cut-off date to submit resolutions not requiring a special order of business is **April 25, 2015**. Resolutions submitted by locals shall bear the signature of at least two elected officials of the local submitting the resolution. Resolutions submitted by the AFT Retiree Chapter, an AFT Washington Council, or the AFT Washington Executive Board shall bear the signature of the appropriate officer. Each resolution shall have a title and be submitted electronically and in printed format with signatures.

BYLAWS AMENDMENTS: AFT Washington Bylaws may be amended at any convention by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of delegates provided that the amendment is received by the AFT Washington office and referred to the Bylaws Committee at least **thirty (30) days** prior to the convention at which it is to be considered. This year, the cut-off date is **April 15, 2015**. Bylaws amendments may be proposed by one of the following: a Local; the AFT Washington Retiree Chapter; an AFT Washington Council; the AFT Washington Executive Board; or by written petition signed by no fewer than fifty (50) members from no fewer than four (4) locals in good standing.

Bylaws amendments must be: (a) published in an official publication of AFT Washington at least twenty (20) days prior to the convention; (b) mailed from the AFT Washington office to the elected convention delegates and alternates at least seven (7) days prior to the opening of the convention; and (c) made available to all delegates and alternates attending the convention at the time they sign in to the convention itself.

ANNUAL BASKET RAFFLE: AFT Washington will again be holding a basket raffle. The proceeds from raffle sales and individual or local contributions will be deposited into the scholarship fund. Locals willing to contribute may choose to either donate a basket or make a direct contribution by check payable to the **AFT Washington/SCBIL Scholarship Fund**.

ELECTIONS: AFT Washington officer elections will take place at the 2015 convention. The AFT Washington Nominations and Elections Committee shall accept nominations for the office of president, secretary, treasurer, and the vice presidents. Nominations may also be made from the Convention floor or by petition. A nomination made by petition must be mailed to the Nominations and Elections Committee in care of AFT Washington and postmarked **no later than Friday, April 24, 2015**. Please refer to the enclosed Nominations and Elections Guidelines for petition requirements and other nomination and elections information.

IMPORTANT CONVENTION DATES TO REMEMBER

April 15, 2015

- Proposed Bylaws and/or Standing Rules amendments due in the AFT Washington office

April 24, 2015

- Hotel room reservation cutoff date
- Last day for nominations by petition to be submitted to the AFT Washington Nominations and Elections Committee

April 25, 2015

- Proposed resolutions to AFT Washington must be postmarked by this date
- Credentials and early registration fees must be postmarked by this date
- Bylaws amendments must be published in an official publication of AFT Washington
- Last day for candidates to send in candidacy information sheet to be mailed by AFT Washington to all convention delegates

May 5, 2015

- Per capita must be paid through the month of March to AFT Washington and current to AFT

May 8, 2015

- Copies of all bylaws amendments and resolutions must be mailed to locals, delegates, and alternates

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- AFT Washington Convention, The Hotel Murano, 1320 Broadway, Tacoma, Washington



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