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AFT-Wisconsin Member Mobilization Fund Report

Fiscal Years 2019-20 and 2020-21

The AFT-Wisconsin Member Mobilization fund was created at the 2005 Convention to support local projects that fit two or more of the following six criteria:

- Engage rank and file members in collective bargaining, organizing or activism
- Engage members of more than one local
- Form coalitions with other unions in the same shop or region
- Educate members about labor history, current labor struggles or other issues related to the good and welfare of the labor movement
- Assist in organizing new bargaining units
- Assist in increasing membership or winning recognition or fair share elections

Requests for funding are reviewed and acted upon by the AFT-Wisconsin Executive Board.

2019-2020, funded three projects totaling \$2550.00

1. Ashland Paraprofessionals, Local 4232 Recertification \$200.00 *no matching funds*

Ashland Paraprofessionals is a local of 31 members. They did not have enough in the treasury to cover the annual recertification fee. Members and non-members overwhelmingly voted to support their union with 78% of all potential members voting “Yes.” Every single vote was in support.

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2. TAA, Local 3220 2019 Orientation Plan, \$2150.00 *matching funds*

TAA has a high member turnover and their annual orientation plan is critical to building their local. The orientation plan included outreach to new members, engagement in TAA activities and events, and training of stewards and TAA promotional materials.

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3. UW Oshkosh, Local 6506 Book Event, \$200.00 *no matching funds*

UW Oshkosh hosted a multi-union discussion on restoring progressivism and strengthen unions in Wisconsin. The event featured discussion of Dan Kaufman’s book, *The Fall of Wisconsin*, and Wisconsin Assemblywoman Chris Taylor was guest speaker.

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