

AFGE Local 2578 Monthly Meeting

Meeting Information	
Purpose:	To keep members informed about Local activities
Date & Time:	Tuesday, February 24, 2026 · 12:00 – 12:30pm ET
Location:	AFGE Local 2578 is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Topic: AFGE Local 2578 Monthly Member Meeting Time: Feb 24, 2026 12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada) Join Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/94207673134?pwd=2l0SDecIZJemR9a8DQvVbARB4Sid4E.1 Meeting ID: 942 0767 3134 Passcode: 668205 --- One tap mobile +13017158592,,94207673134#,,,,*668205# US (Washington DC) +13092053325,,94207673134#,,,,*668205# US Join instructions https://zoom.us/join/94207673134/invitations?signature=VBRq62raFsrd2bCKklUuFIErIEg8ala-vTPHPP9aW74 In-Person: Room 1902, Archives II, College Park, MD
Meeting Leader:	Jason Clingerman
Minutes taken by:	
Attendees:	
Resources: Please read before meeting	
January Draft Minutes January Treasurer's Report	

Agenda	Facilitator
Introduction: • Call in: Identify by name and location • Call to Order • Roll Call of Officers	Jason Clingerman
Meeting Minutes	
Treasurer's Report	Danielle Dubois Gottwig
Reports • Safety and Health Committee • Legislative Committee • Organizing Committee • Representational Activities • Communications Committee • Pride Committee • Women's and Fair Practices Coordinator All committees are looking for volunteers! Please fill out the AFGE Local 2578 Committee Interest Form if you are interested in joining one or more committees.	Richard Hnat Jesse Wilinski Daniel Dancis Jason Clingerman Frankie Witzenberg Danielle Dubois Gottwig
New Business/Q&A • Local 2578 Officer and Delegate Nominations, March 24th, 1-1:30pm	Jason Clingerman
Comments for the Good of the Local	
Adjournment	

AFGE Local 2578 Monthly Meeting Minutes

The members of AFGE Local 2578 met at 12:00 PM ET, Tuesday, February 24, 2026. The monthly meeting was held in person in room 1902 at AII and via virtual Zoom connection.

A quorum of members was present.

President Jason Clingerman called the meeting to order at 12:01 pm ET.

Roll Call of Officers: Officers present were President Jason Clingerman, Vice-President Molly Kamph, and Sergeant-at-Arms Daniel Dancis.

Meeting Minutes:

The January 2026 meeting minutes were sent to members for review prior to the meeting.

A MOTION to approve the January minutes without amendment was put forth by Bob Nowatzki, SECONDED by Ashby Crowder. The motion was APPROVED.

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report:

Jason Clingerman reported on the Local's transactions, assets, spending, and membership. Molly Kamph noted that the local is doing well and seeing the benefits of the increased membership.

Links are included in the monthly meeting agenda. Treasurer's Reports may also be accessed on the AFGE Local 2578 public Google Drive.

A MOTION to approve the January Treasurer's Report as read was put forth by Ashby Crowder, SECONDED by Molly Kamph. The motion was APPROVED.

Safety and Health Committee:

Rich Hnat reported that a safety questionnaire will be sent out soon.

Audrey Amidon reported on efforts to reestablish the S&H facility committees and the need for volunteers to join at the facilities level. This is a NARA committee but the agency has let it wither. Amidon hopes that by submitting volunteers the agency will be forced to reestablish the committee.

Legislative Committee:

Jesse Wilinski reported on the legislative conference where committee members met with elected representatives on Capitol Hill. Jesse mentioned interest by local congressional representatives in making site visits to NARA facilities in the DC area.

Organizing Committee:

Daniel Dancis reported that a kick-off meeting is in the works for March and that he will reach out to volunteers from the holiday party to attend.

Representational Activities:

Jason Clingerman began by reporting that the arbitration hearing for the telework grievance has been delayed until August 2026.

Clingerman also reported that the agency has reached out to the council about implementing a "situational" telework pilot. The details are still being worked out. Clingerman reported that the union supports telework but will not agree to anything until it is clear that what the agency proposes is in agreement with the collective bargaining agreement. There may be rumors that the

union is holding up implementation of this pilot but Clingerman cautioned that this is not the case.

Clingerman also provided an update on the many performance appraisal grievances. Over 100 BUEs reached out about filing; 80 were filed across the council; 4 won; 3 saw changes to CE's; 58 were step 1 denials; and no decisions yet on step 2 grievances. In addition, local and council officers met and are committed to arbitrate with available funds, utilizing the FY 26 allocation as well as the FY 25 allocation which was not spent.

Communications Committee:

No report.

Pride Committee

It was reported that Frankie Witzenberg is stepping down and the committee is looking for a new leader.

Women's and Fair Practices Committee:

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

Jason Clingerman informed that the upcoming local election committee will host the official call for nomination on March 24, 2026 at 1-1:30pm Eastern Time, and explained the process. Nominations can be submitted prior to the event but all nominations must be in by 1:30pm. This will occur in person and over the phone/virtually. Letters will be sent out to all members explaining the process. To be nominated, one must be there in person/virtually to accept the nomination.

Q&A/COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE LOCAL

Questions about attacks on government unions/union busting as well as about forced distribution of ratings were raised, which Jason addressed.

Jason Clingerman gave a shout out to the election committee for their work.

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting was put forth by Katherine Stinson, SECONDED by Molly Kamph. The motion was APPROVED.

The meeting was adjourned by President Jason Clingerman at 12:30 pm ET.

Respectfully submitted by Daniel Dancis.

Approved at member meeting on March 31, 2026.