



Executive Board and Officers of AFT 6049 Oklahoma

From left to right, top to bottom: Ed McIntosh (President) Brook Wagner (Chief Steward) Paul Lindsey (Treasurer) Wayde Walton (Chief Steward) Ajuania Pratt (Secretary) William Baker (Chief Steward) Melissa Davis (Vice President)

Executive Board Starts Training in October

AFT 6049 Oklahoma's recently elected Executive Board and Officers (pictured left,) is a highly dedicated group of activists. In October 2012, they will participate in a two-day training, briefing them on their duties and responsibilities for the duration of their term with AFT 6049 Oklahoma. Led by the Union Leadership Institute of AFT, they will spend two days working together learning how to best serve, protect, and uphold the integrity of their union.

Elected in July 2012, your Executive Board and Officers are incredibly talented and diligent TPS employees, who will take this guidance from AFT National to become even better union leaders. Their skills are by no means rusty; their commitment to equality and integrity is unparalleled. This training will help to sharpen their skills as leaders and activists to serve their membership during this school year. We look forward to bright, strong, and dedicated leadership during the 2012-2013 school year.

Are You Fluent in Spanish?

Do you want to be more involved with union activities? Are you a natural leader with commitment and dedication to social justice? Your union office is always looking for volunteers to help organize and strengthen AFT 6049 Oklahoma. Right now, however, your office is looking for a few bilingual volunteers to help us translate the newsletters, notifications, and other important union information into Spanish. In an effort to target the largest audience possible and make your union stronger, we need volunteers to reach out to our Spanish-speaking employees within Tulsa Public Schools. If you are a dedicated bilingual member who is willing to help your union grow and prosper, or if you just want to help unionize your worksite, please call the office or visit our website. Stand with your coworkers and strengthen your union today!

Organizing Efforts Starting for 2012-2013 School Year

As many of you may have noticed, AFT 6049 Oklahoma has hired a full-time organizer for your union. Emily Wallace, whom many of you have met already, will be putting her boots on the ground this school year. She will be out in the field, working with members to strengthen and build leadership within this union. She will be coming to your school or worksite this year in an effort to build power among TPS employees. She will meet with you day or night to talk about union news, membership meetings, union benefits, lobbying efforts, volunteer opportunities, and the union application process. When she isn't out at worksites doing hands-on work with TPS employees, you can contact her at the union office at 918.587.0886. Do you want Emily to host a meeting at your worksite? Do you have questions or comments that you want included on the website or in the newsletters? Do you want her help in strengthening your worksite? Email her at: ewallace@tulsacoxmail.com or call the office today!

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