North Carolina Public Service Workers Union, UE Local 150 13th Biennial Statewide Convention

August 10-11, 2024

Resist, Restore and Revitalize!

Franklinton Center at Bricks, Whitakers, NC

AGENDA:

SATURDAY

8:00 am - 9:00 am: Registration

9:00am: Movement Song: Fruit of Labor Singing Ensemble

9:05 am - 9:10 am: Opening and Welcome (Sekia Royall, President)

Political Orientation to the Convention Welcome Delegates

9:10 am - 9:15 am Credential Report (Dominic Harris, Treasurer)

9:15am - 9:20 am: Greetings from UE Eastern Region President, (George Waksmunksi)

9:20 am - 9:35 am: State of the Union Address (Sekia Royall, President)

9:35 am - 10:00 am: Financial Report (Dominic Harris, Treasurer)

10:00 am - 10:15 am: Understanding this Political Moment, What's At Stake in 2024 Elections

(Professor Dr. Ajamu Amiri Dillahunt, Black Workers for Justice)

10:15am - 10:25 am: Q & A with Ajamu Amiri Dillahunt

10:25 am - 10:30 am: Tributes and Solidarity Statements (Sekia Royall, President)

10:30 am - 10:40 am: Group Photo and Break

10:40am - 10:55am: Keynote Speaker, Tamika Walker Kelly, President, NC Association of Educators

10:55 - 11:55 am: Panel Discussion: Organize the South

Facilitated by: Angaza Laughinghouse, former UE150 President, state employee Municipal Organizing: Willie Brown, Vice President, Durham City Workers Union DHHS Organizing: William Young, President, Cherry Hospital UE150 Chapter

UNC System Organizing: Grad + Housekeeper

Private Manufacturing Organizing: *Tim Hunt, VP CAAMWU, Cummins Diesel Engine Plant* Virginia Beach City Workers Union, UE Local 111: *Terry Green, Chair, Water department*

11:55 am - 12:05 am: Resolution: Organize the South, Collective Bargaining is a Human Right

12:05 - 12:25pm: Keynote Speaker, Braxton Winston, Candidate, Commissioner, NC Department of Labor

12:25 - 12:35pm: Q & A with Braxton Winston

12:35 pm - 1:20 pm: Lunch (please sit in divisions to start discussion)

1:20 pm - 2:15 pm: Division Council breakout sessions (DHHS, Municipal, CAAMWU, UNC System, Capitol Area/DOA)

2:15pm: Movement Song: Fruit of Labor Singing Ensemble

2:20 pm - 3:00 pm: Panel: Community-Faith-Labor Coalitions to Win Broad Social Changes

Facilitated by Ajamu Amiri Dillahunt

- Voting Rights Robert Dawkins, Action NC
- Housing Crisis NC Tenant Union
- Police Accountability Angaza Samora Laughinghouse, Black Workers for Justice & Refund Raleigh
- Labor movement advances Ashaki Binta, Black Workers for Justice & Southern Workers Assembly

3:00 pm - 3:15 pm: Break

3:30 pm - 3:45 pm: Resolution: Fighting Racism

3:45 pm - 4:45 pm: Training Workshops— Session 1

- 1) Organizing Conversation 101: (Kevin Carr, Rory Pegram & Kass Ottley)
- 2) Elements for a Strong Local Union Chapter: (Nichel Dunlap Thompson, UE150 Recording Secretary)
- 3) Investigating Grievances: (Craig Brown, UE150 Chief Steward)
- 4) Movement healing and Self Care: (Rev. Martha Brown, Chaplain, Cherry Hospital)
- 5 Why Lawyers Aren't Superheroes: (Attorney Trisha Pande)
- 6. Them and Us Unionism: (George Wakmunski, President, UE Eastern Region)

4:45 pm - 5:45 pm: Training Workshops— Session 2

Repeat Trainings from Session 1 (above)

5:30 pm - 5:45 pm: Break

5:45 pm - 6:30 pm: Officer Nominations and Elections

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm: Dinner

SUNDAY

9:00 am: Movement Song: Fruit of Labor Singing Ensemble

9:00 am - 9:30 am: Keynote Speaker: (Andrew Dinkelaker, Secretary Treasurer, UE National)

9:30 am - 9:45 am: Organizer's Report (Dante Strobino, International Representative)

9:45 am - 10:45 am: Political Resolutions

10:45 am - 11:00 am: Break

11:00 am - 12:15 pm: Review UE 150 Constitution and Bylaws

12:15 pm - 1:00pm: Charting our Future - Organizing Vision

1:00pm: Closing (Sekia)