
Subject: Local 2000 Constitution

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Dear Mr. Franco,

It has come to my attention that the AFT Local 2000 constitution was never updated to reflect a December 2003 vote of the membership to amend the provision in the constitution that governs the rate of dues which is deducted from members' income. Documents that you have sent me indicate that in December 2003, the AFT Local 2000 membership voted, in accordance with the Local 2000 constitution's provisions on amending the constitution, to increase their dues payments to the union from .05% to 1% of gross income paid by the employer. Those documents include the ballot, the final ballot tally, and a letter from the local union president at the time urging the membership to vote for the dues increase. I checked our membership suite database for the number of members at Local 2000 during the time the vote took place. Those numbers also indicate that the vote for a dues increase was conducted in accordance with the local constitution's provision that requires at least 30% of the membership to vote in order to amend the constitution. I would advise that the local correct the typo in the constitution as soon as possible to avoid any likely misunderstanding.

Best regards,

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