Resolution for MSCA to adopt Open Meeting Practices

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Whereas, MSCA members have the right to affect the union's position on policy matters and internal governance,

Whereas, Regular meetings of the MSCA Board of Directors are open to all MSCA members in good standing – full-time, part-time and DGCE,

Whereas, Time is set aside at the beginning of the Regular meetings of the MSCA Board of Directors meetings each month for visiting speakers,

Whereas, Dates and Times for Regular meetings of the MSCA Board of Directors are posted on the official MSCA Calendar but presently not the correct location of the meetings,

Whereas, Agendas for Regular meetings of the MSCA Board of Directors and Committee meetings are not posted in advance on the official MSCA website,

Whereas, Minutes of the Regular meetings of the MSCA Board of Directors are posted on the MSCA website but not the minutes of MSCA Committee meetings, and

Whereas, Current posting practices make it difficult for members to attend both Regular meetings of the MSCA Board of Directors and MSCA Committee meetings.

Therefore, Be it Resolved that

All MSCA meetings, including Regular meetings of the MSCA Board of Directors and MSCA Committee meetings, be posted on the MSCA website, clearly labeled and easy to find, with instructions on how members can attend.

That agendas of meetings be posted three business days in advanced on the MSCA website,

That minutes of all meetings be posted to members once approved, and

That meetings are open to all members unless otherwise restricted by the MSCA Constitution.