



# **AFSCME Strong Leadership Conference KAHLER HOTEL – ROCHESTER, MN JUNE 12, 2026**

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**June 12, 2026**

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM: Registration

9:00 AM: Welcome and Greetings – Eric Hesse and Bart Andersen

9:15 AM: Legislative Session Wrap Up and Local Lobby Days – Ethan Vogel

9:45 AM: “We Make Minnesota” - Eric Bernstein

10:45 AM: Social Media, E-mail & Text Blasts / IU Resources (Toolkits) Available to Locals.

10:30 AM Break

10:45 AM: Opt. – Out Campaigns: Ideas on Messaging to Members and How to Combat Them.

How to Build a Strong Local in a Post Janus Society.

11:45 AM: Lunch

12:45 PM: Workshops

“How to Make a Local Union Budget / Drafting Financial Bylaws”

Or

“Arbitration Preparation and How to Build an Arbitration File”

1:45 PM: 5-minute break to allow folks to switch rooms and move to the next workshop.

1:50 PM: “How to Make a Local Union Budget / Drafting Financial Bylaws”

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2:55 PM: Reconvene in Main Meeting Room for Final Remarks and Adjournment