

FEDERATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS IUE-CWA 81381

FSW FUNCITON REPORT

Person attending (Name & Title):

Christina Christman, President

Name and nature of the event/function (i.e., Conference, Training, etc.)

IUE Mentorship Class of 2022 Graduation

Dates attended:

June 6th – 9th 2022

What was the purpose/goal of the function?

In person training and sessions about union leadership

What did you learn and/or what significant information was shared at the function?

I met the IUE headquarters staff and was able to tour IUE headquarters. I attended training sessions on internal organizing, did an analysis of our local, we did exercises out of the Labor Notes book, shared experiences from our locals relating to apathy/ motivation/ organizing / bargaining/ grievances, learned about the relationship between politics and labor, learned about the relationship between social justice issues and labor and they had us as participants reflect on everything we have learned in the mentorship program over the last 2 years and share how we would bring it back to positively affect our locals. We did a lot of networking with IUE members from across the county.

How is what you learned relevant to FSW?

I learned methods and strategies to bring back to our local to help organize and mobilize our members. I plan on instituting some of the suggestions on strengthening our executive board and stewards. I plan on utilizing the analysis of our local to identify spots of weakness and strengths to further build the strength of our union.