

UNION MEETING MINUTES FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 30TH 2008

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 10AM BY VICE-PRESIDENT RAY KEARNS . RON IS OUT SICK. AFTER THE MORNING PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG A ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS AND STEWARDS WAS TAKEN. THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING ALONG WITH THE TREASURERS REPORTS WERE ACCEPTED BY THE MEMBERS.

VICE-PRESIDENTS REPORT: RAY REPORTS WE HAVE SECURED FOUR BIN JOBS, HOURS 9AM-530 PM.....A CLASS ACTION GRIEVANCE HAS BEEN FILED ON FMLA INFRACTIONS, THE POSTAL MANAGEMENT REFUSES TO FOLLOW THE LAW.....ATTENDANCE DISCIPLINE HAS BEEN HOT AND HEAVY. ANY MEMBER WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR FMLA SHOULD TAKE IT. THE UNION OFFICERS AND STEWARDS WILL BE GLAD TO HELP YOU WITH THE FORMS. CHECK THE ARTICLE ON FMLA ON THE APWU WEB-SITE.....STAY INFORMED, IT MAY HELP YOU STAY EMPLOYED.....

CLERK-CRAFT DIRECTORS REPORT: STEVE TELLS THE MEMBERS THAT JOBS HAVE BEEN POSTED FOR CUSTOMER SERVICE, MORE TO COME. THE "CASUAL GRIEVANCES" ARE MOVING RIGHT ALONG, THE POSTAL SERVICE OWES US OVER 500,000 AMERICAN DOLLARS SO FAR...THE CASUAL HOURS HAVE BEEN CUT BACK, WE ARE WATCHING THEM..... STEVE ALSO TELLS THE MEMBERS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF FMLA, THE WAY THEY ARE DISCIPLINING OUR MEMBERS IF YOU CALL IN DEAD YOU STILL GET WRITTEN UP.....

MAINTENANCE CRAFT DIRECTOR: ADAM TELLS THE MEMBERS PF THE COMPLAINTS ON THE MS-47 AWARD. HE HAS SENT A LETTER TO STEVE ON THIS.....THE NEW STAFFING PACKAGE WILL ADD MORE JOBS TO THE MAINTENANCE CRAFTADAM ALSO GOT SOME PEOPLE PAID FOR HOLIDAY VIOLATIONS.....ALSO ADAM SAYS DO NOT LISTEN TO RUMORS. THE BULLETIN BOARD AND WEB-SITE WILL ALWAYS KEEP YOU ABREAST OF WHAT IS GOING ON OR ASK AN OFFICER OR STEWARD. MANAGEMENT SPEAKS WITH FORKED TONGUES.....A LENGTHY DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON MECHANICS BEING ASSIGNED WORK THEY ARE NOT TRAINED FOR AND OTHER MAINTENANCE POSITIONS BEING MIS-USED BY MANAGEMENT, ALL WHICH IS ILLEGAL.....

DIRECTOR OF ORGANIZATION: ANN REPORTS SIGNING UP FOUR NEW MEMBERS, THREE NEW PEOPLE AND A LONG-TIME EMPLOYEE.... PEOPLE ARE REMINDED OF THE MAY BREAKFAST. MAY 1ST STARTING AT 6AM UNTIL 10AM....DON'T MISS IT.....

BLDG MANAGERS REPORT: BOB REPORTS THAT THE PATCHED ROOF HAS REMAINED LEAK FREE DURING THE LAST TWO STORMS, GOOD JOB GUYS.. THE HALLS GAS AND ELECTRIC BILLS WERE DISCUSSED AND WAYS TO CUT BACK. BOB IS ALWAYS COMING UP WITH WAYS TO SAVE US MONEY AND KEEP OUR HALL IN GOOD SHAPE....

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CUSTOMER SERVICE STEWARDS REPORT: KELLY READ MARK STREETERS REPORT WHICH SPOKE OF MEETINGS WITH MANAGEMENT. TO DATE WE HAVE DISCUSSED ALL DISTRIBUTION UNITS AND CFS. STAFFING FOR THESE UNITS IS JUST ABOUT COMPLETE EXCEPT FOR 1 & 55 CORLISS STREET. BID JOBS HAVE BEEN POSTED . WE HAVE YET TO GET INTO THE WINDOW POSITIONS OR POOL AND RELIEF POSITIONS GETTING MANAGEMENT TO POST JOBS IS WORSE THAN PULLING TEETH BUT WE WILL CONTINUE TO MEET. I AM DOING MY BEST AND WOULD LIKE MORE MEMBERS TO TAKE AN INTEREST IN THIS...COME TO THE MEETINGS.

OLD BUSINESS: MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO RESCIND PAYING LOCAL AND ABA PAYMENTS FOR NOW NBA RICK LOGAN.A VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE POSTED BY-LAW CHANGE... THE CHANGE IS PASSED. THIS BASICALLY STATES THAT MEMBERS OUT FOR LONG DURATIONS FOR ANY REASON EXCEPT MILITARY OBLIGATIONS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR DUES.MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO SEND SIX PEOPLE TO WEST VIRGINIA FOR LABOR TRAINING WITH NEC/EXP... IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO SEND PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOT YET ATTENDED.....

MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO ACCEPT EAST GREENWICH POST OFFICE INTO OUR UNION IF WARWICK DOES NOT MOVE ON THIS QUICKLY. IT IS TIME TO STRENGTHEN OUR STATIONS AND BRANCHES.....

GOOD & WELFARE; MOTIONS MADE AND PASSED TO DONATE \$250. TO FIVE MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN OUT FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME WITH SERIOUS ILLNESSES OR AWAITING DISCHARGE ARBITRATIONS (\$1250. TOTAL)

MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO DONATE \$500 TO THE PROVIDENCE LIONS CLUB.....MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO DONATE \$500. TO ORGANIZATION TREATING CHILDREN WITH AIDS IN RI.....MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO DONATE \$250. TO RI MEALS ON WHEELS.....MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO PLACE A ½ PAGE ADDIN LABOR INSTITUTES YEARLY PROGRAM.....MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO DONATE \$100. TO COVENTRY SOCCER ASSOCIATION.....MOTION MADE AND

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GOOD & WELFARE: PASSED TO DONATE \$500. TO THE GEORGE
WILEY CENTER OF RI.

MEMBERS ARE REMINDED TO USE THE UNION WEB-SITES AND
WATCH THE BULLETIN BOARD FOR NEW INFORMATION.
RUMORS MEAN NOTHING.....ALL SHOULD WATCH OUT FOR
EACH OTHER, NOW IS THE TIME TO STICK TOGETHER....

SEE YOU SUNDAY, APRIL 20TH FOR THE NEXT MEETING...

DON'T MISS IT.....

X
Bob herron/sec/APWU

UNION MEETING DRAWINGS/3-30-08

50/50 WINNERS – ALL \$100.

171 -----LARRY POULIN

191 - -----NICK MATERA V.O.E. DRAWING

243 -----JAMES CORRIGAN SUE GIRARD \$100.

176 -----JOHN MCKITCHEN

268 -----DAN SOUZA

284 -----RICHARD GARBECKI

COPA DRAWING

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SEE YOU IN APRIL FOR OUR NEXT FUN PACKED UNION

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