

UNION MEETING MINUTES FOR; OCTOBER 21ST 2012

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:08 AM BY NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT LLOYD BRAZEE....AFTER THE MORNING PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG, A ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS AND STEWARDS WAS TAKEN....THE MINUTES OF THE LAST UNION MEETING WERE ACCEPTED BY THE MEMBERS....A MOTION WAS MADE AND PASSED TO CHANGE THE ORDER OF BUSINESS SO THE TRUSTEES COULD GIVE A REPORT ON THE LOCAL AUDIT THEY CONDUCTED ON OUR BOOKS....TRUSTEE JOHN MCKITCHEN REPORTS THAT THE BOOKS WERE IN GOOD ORDER BUT MORE CARE SHOULD BE EXERCISED WHEN FILLING OUT FORMS FOR LOST TIME AND TRAVEL. MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO RETURN TO THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SECRETARY/TREASURERS REPORT: KELLY THANKED EVERYONE FOR VOTING HER BACK FOR ANOTHER TERM. SHE SPOKE ON THE LOCALS CHRISTMAS PARTY THAT IS COMING UP ON . IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THOSE ATTENDING SIGN THE REGISTER IN THE UNION OFFICE OR INFORM A STEWARD. WE NEED AN ACCURATE COUNT ON THE CHILDREN, THEIR AGES AND GENDER. THIS MUST BE COMPLETED BY NOVEMBER 23RDAS ALWAYS VOLUNTEERS TO HELP OUT WOULD BE WELCOME.

PRESIDENTS REPORT; SEE BULLETIN BOARD.

VICE-PRESIDENTS REPORT; ANN THANKED EVERYONE FOR ELECTING HER TO OFFICE. SHE ALSO THANKED PRESIDENT KEARNS FOR HELPING HER OUT WITH THE TRANSITION...SHE IS STILL IN TRANSITION HERSELF AND WILL HAVE A MORE LENGTHY REPORT AT THE NEXT MEETING...

MAINTENACE DIRECTORS REPORT; ADAM SOUZA IS NOW THE DIRECTOR.. HE REPORTS SPEAKING WITH MANAGEMENT ABOUT TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES. SEE BULLETIN BOARD. ALSO HE IS CATCHING UP ON OUTSTANDING GRIEVANCES.

LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR; ANTHONY HAS ONE MESSAGE. GET OUT AND VOTE .

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CORRESPONDENCE: THANK YOU LETTERS FROM THREE CHARITIES WE DONATED TO; CROSSROADS OF RI, PKD FOUNDATION (KIDNEY DISEASE RESEARCH) & HOME AND HOSPICE CARE OF RI. ALSO A LETTER OF RESIGNATION FROM JIM OZANION RESIGNING FROM THE SUNSHINE COMMITTEE...AND A LETTER OF RESIGNATION FROM STEVE POOLE AS A STEWARD.

WINDOW CLERK STEWARD; SEE MARKS REPORT ON THE BULLETIN BOARD.

028 STEWARDS REPORT; BOB DONAHUE IS QUESTIONING THE LANGUAGE ON ACCESSING. THIS HAS ALL BEEN PUT ON HOLD ANYWAY AT LEAST UNTIL NEXT YEAR; MANAGEMENT LOVES TO PUT SCARES INTO PEOPLE TO GET THEM TO QUIT.

DIRECTOR OF ORGANIZATION; NEWLY ELECTED JIM OZANION THANKS THE BODY FOR THEIR VOTES. HE WILL PRESENT A LENGTHY REPORT NEXT MEETING.

OLD BUSINESS; ZILCH

NEW BUSINESS; MOTION TO HAVE THE FLOOR RETILED AT THE HALL. TWO BIDS WERE SUBMITTED. THE EXECUTIVE BOARD & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED ONE. A LENGTHY DISCUSSION TOOK PLACE AND THE MOTION WAS TABLED.

MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO DEVELOP A FORM FOR REPORTING LOST TIME AND TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENTS.

GOOD & WELFARE; A MEMBER ASKS FOR THE PROCEDURE TO REPORT AN OFFICER OR STEWARD WHEN SHE FEELS SHE IS NOT BEING REPRESENTED IN THE CORRECT MANNER. LLOYD WILL SPEAK WITH HER AFTER THE MEETING.

JIM OZANION SPOKE TO THE MEMBERS ABOUT BEING SHUT OUT FROM HIS COMPUTER IN THE UNION OFFICE. THIS WAS ALSO DISCUSSED AT LENGTH. THE ISSUE WAS RESOLVED AT THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETING.

JIM WILL BE ALLOWED TO REMOVE HIS FILES FROM THE HARD DRIVE...

ALSO DISCUSSED AT LENGTH WAS THE SAFETY ISSUES ON THE FLOOR IN THE

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GOOD & WELFARE

MAIN OFFICE ON CORLISS STREET. FORK LIFTS ARE DRIVING FAR TO FAST.
WE HAVE MANY NEW EMPLOYEES THAT ARE NOT USED TO THE FAST PACE OF
PROCESSING MAIL... AN ACCIDENT IS IN THE MAKING. MIKE NOZIO REPORTS THAT
COMPLAINTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN FILED ON THIS ISSUE AND OSHA MAY SOON BE
CALLED IN ON THIS MATTER AND MANY OTHERS....

ALL MEMBERS ARE REMINDED THAT SAFETY IS EVERYONES JOB.

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 11:20AM. DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR THE CHRISTMAS
PARTY, DON'T BE LEFT OUT....

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH, BE THERE.


Bob herron/sec/apwu

Presidents Report
Union Meeting October 2012

Sisters and Brothers

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the membership for electing me as your new President. I will serve and represent this Local with honor. I would like to congratulate the following newly elected Union officials:

1. Vice President - Ann Albro Mathieu
2. Recording Secretary - Bob Herron
3. Secretary Treasurer - Kelly Sullivan
4. Director of Organization - James Ozanian
5. Clerk Craft Director - Ken Card
6. Maintenance Craft Director - Adam Souza
7. MVS Craft Director - Frank McCabe
8. 028 Steward - Bob Donahue

Trustees:

1. John McKitchen
2. Anthony Gesualdi
3. Jim O'Brien

I look forward to working with you all. Special thanks to former President Raymond Kearns and former Vice President Steve Poole for serving this Union.

I plan on meeting with the Plant Manager this week and the 029/028 Postmasters. The Clerk excessing in the Pawtucket and the MM-7 excessing at the Providence P&DC has been proponed from November 2012 to February 2013 based on the retirement incentive announcement this month.

In solidarity,



Lloyd Brazee, President
APWU, PRIAL

VOTE VOTE VOTE

What more can I say. You have seen firsthand at the local level the Power and importance of YOUR VOTE.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all those who participated in this election. Thanks especially to Ray Kearns and Steve Poole for all they have done for this local and the support they have provided me when dealing with Customer Service. Congratulations and Good Luck to President Lloyd Brazee and Vice President Ann Albro Mathieu. I will stay on and continue in my role as a customer service steward. The worst part about elections is the emotions and feelings of everyone after the results. There has to be a winner and a loser. I know what its like to lose an election and the emotions that go along with it. I wish Steve and Ray best of luck I wish they would stick around but I understand if they can't do it. Been There Done That.

The most important thing you can do as a Union member and a Postal Employee is GET OUT TO VOTE in this upcoming presidential election. YOUR JOB IS ON THE LINE or should I say on the Ballot. Our National Union has endorsed Barack Obama for President and I wholeheartedly support their endorsement. We have to remember we already have a House majority of Republicans. The Senate is close to going to a Republican Majority. If we have a Republican President I believe we can stick a fork in USPS we are done. So GET OUT TO VOTE.

On the Customer Service Side we have met with interim Postmaster Ron Pauline on some issues mostly staffing. Staffing issues include NTFT positions, PSE hiring's and how they could fit in here in Providence.

Locally we have have seen an increasing number of very good Altered Postal Money Orders. Recently there have been 4 money orders cashed her in the 029's for one thousand dollars but the money orders were originally purchased in Mount Holly NJ for seven dollars. At the Main Office and in Johnston the customers who tried to cash the money orders were turned away. It wasn't because the money orders didn't look good but rather the suspicious identities on the money order. They were made in New Jersey it was made out to a Canadian resident (with matching ID) from someone in Johnston. There have not been any Letters of Demand issued with the above yet. If there are or you receive a Letter of Demand please don't wait to get a copy to me. Get the LOD to the Union office as soon as you get it. Since these fraudulent money orders have been around some offices are mandating clerks to verify by phone the amounts of the money orders. As usual some offices are doing it and some are not. I will speak with The Postmaster and ask management to clarify and put in writing a policy. In the mean time window clerks be vigilant and follow proper procedures when cashing money orders and checks.

Yours In Union Solidarity

Mark A. Streeter