

UNION MEETING MINUTES FOR; 4-20-2008

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 10AM BY PRESIDENT MATHIEU. 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.

TREASURERS REPORT; KELLY INSTRUCTED THE MEMBERS TO KEEP THEIR ADDRESS UP TO DATE. NOTIFYING THE POST OFFICE DOES NOT DO IT BECAUSE THEY DON'T TELL THE UNION. INFORM A STEWARD OR ANY OFFICER.....ALSO, KELLY INFORMS US WE ARE IN GOOD FINANCIAL SHAPE RIGHT NOW.

PRESIDENTS REPORT; RON DISCUSSED AN NLRB RULING THAT DOES NOT DO US ANY FAVORS, SEE THE BULLETIN BOARD FOR RONS BREAKDOWN ON THIS INFORMATION...THE PRESIDENT ALSO TELLS THE MEMBERS TO USE FMLA WHENEVER POSSIBLE. THEY ARE TRYING TO CRUNCH THE NUMBERS....US.

VICE-PRESIDENTS REPORT; RAY TELLS US THAT THE CASUAL GRIEVANCES ARE MOVING FORWARD....MANAGEMENT IS NOT INTERESTED IN ANY SETTLEMENTS, WHY NOT ITS NOT THEIR MONEY.....MANAGEMENT IS ALSO CHANGING THE RULES ON ATTENDANCE VIOLATIONS , LETTERS OF WARNING ARE FOR LONGER PERIODS. THIS IS ALL BEING DONE UNILATERABLY OF COURSE, WHY TELL THE UNION, JUST DO IT.....

CLERK-CRAFT DIRECTOR; STEVE DISCUSSED BID-CYCLE JOBS, SOME ARE BEING POSTED BUT NOT ENOUGH.....THE CASUAL GRIEVANCES ARE ON TARGET, CAUSAL HOURS ARE BEING CUT, SOME CASUALS ARE QUITTING.....STEVE ALSO TOUCHED ON ATTENDANCE AND URGES THE MEMBERS TO USE FMLA BEFORE THEY CHANGE THE RULES ON THAT... THE OFFICERS AND STEWARDS WILL HELP ANYONE FILL OUT THE FORMS.....DO IT...

DIRECTOR OF ORGANIZATION; ANN REPORTS THAT WE HAVE SIGNED UP FOUR NEW MEMBERS, OUR NUMBERS KEEP INCREASING. PEOPLE SEEKING SHELTER FROM THE STORM. ANN REMINDS EVERYONE ABOUT OUR DELUXE MAY BREAKFAST (THURSDAY, MAY 1ST) FROM 6:30AM UNTIL NOON OR WHEN THE COWS COME HOME. THIS IS A CATERED AFFAIR.

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BUILDING MANAGERS REPORT; BOB HAS INSTALLED PHOTO CELLS FOR THE OUTSIDE LIGHTS AT THE HALL. THIS IS ADDED PROTECTION, HE ALSO HAS COME UP WITH WAYS TO SAVE HEATING AND COOLING COSTS. HE NEVER STOPS.....
CUSTOMER SERVICE STEWARDS REPORT; SEE MARKS REPORT POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD.....READ IT
OLD BUSINESS; NONE. NEW BUSINESS;MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO TRANSFER \$5000 TO THE OFFICE SUPPLY ACCOUNT; SHREDDERS, COMPUTERS, ECT.ECT.
MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO REIMBURSE STEWARD JIM OZANION \$55. FOR EXPENSES INCURRED ON HIS TRIP TO BOSTON FOR BUSINESS AT THE LABOR BOARD...
MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO DONATE \$500. TO THE NORTH KINGSTOWN LITTLE LEAGUE.....MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO DONATE \$250. EACH TO TWO DISABLED MEMBERS...MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO DONATE \$250. TO THE CLUB FRONTENAU SCHOLARSHIP FUND.....MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO DONATE \$500. TO THE RI SHRINERS..MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO PAY OUR YEARLY "LABOR HISTORY" DUES OF \$100.....MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO DONATE \$250. TO "RON" GOLF TOURNAMENT FOR CHARITY..
MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO GIVE AWAY ALL OUR OLD ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT AT THE HALL AND UNION OFFICE. COME TO THE MAY 18TH UNION MEETING AND PICK SOMETHING OUT FOR YOURSELF FOR ZIP.....
MOTION MADE AND PASSED TO ADJOURN SO THAT THE MEMBERS MAY ENJOY A BEAUTIFUL DAY....
SEE YOU SUNDAY, MAY 18TH FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Bob herron/sec/APWU

ADDITION TO PRESIDENTS REPORT/4-20-08 – MEETING

IN SEPTEMBER OF 2007 THE NLRB INFORMED THE APWU THAT IT HAD BEEN ENGAGED IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE POSTAL SERVICE TO REACH A SETTLEMENT ON A PILOT PROGRAM TO ADDRESS PENDING AND FUTURE “WEINGARTEN” VIOLATIONS ON POSTAL FACILITIES.

ACCORDING TO THE NLRB THE PURPOSE OF THIS PROGRAM IS TO EXPLORE A METHOD OF RESOLVING “WEINGARTEN” DISPUTES WITHOUT LITIGATION AND TO OBTAIN MEANINGFUL REMEDIES THAT ARE NOT CURRENTLY AVAILABLE THROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE NLRB.

THE AGREEMENT JEOPARDIZES PROTECTIONS PROVIDED TO EMPLOYEES UNDER APPLICABLE LAWS AND THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT.

ON FEBRUARY 28, 2008 THE NLRB INFORMED THE APWU OF ITS DECISION TO INSTITUTE THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT. THE APWU INTENDS TO CONTINUE OUR CHALLENGE TO THE SETTLEMENT AND OPPOSE THIS PROPOSED SETTLEMENT.

JUST BECAUSE WE ARE PARANOID DOESN'T MEAN THEIR NOT AFTER US.....

UNION MEETING DRAWINGS - SUNDAY/
APRIL 20 2008

50/50 WINNERS ALL \$100.

266 -----RALPH SKURKA

155 -----DANIEL SHEA

122 -----TERESA TORRES

307 -----JORGE YOURY

89 -----RAY DOLLOFF

215 -----JANICE PAGLIARO

VOE -----WINNER OF \$100. PAT ROBITAILLE

COLA WINNER BOB COLLINS

SEE YOU SUNDAY, MAY 18TH FOR OUR NEXT
EXTRAVAGANZA..... DON'T FORGET THE KENTUCKY DERBY
BIG BROWN WILL WIN IT.....