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UNION MEETING

Thursday
Oct. 8th 2009
6:30pm

OFFICAL NOTICE : NOMINATIONS FOR DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION IN ANAHEIM 2010 WILL BE HELD AT THE NOV. UNION MEETING NOV. 12TH
ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD AT THE DEC. MEETING DEC. 10TH

UNION MEETING PROGRESSIVE DOOR PRIZE "A" \$825.00
UNION MEETING PROGRESSIVE DOOR PRIZE "B" \$400.00
RETIREEES PROGRESSIVE DOOR PRIZE \$250.00

Formal Step A Rep are requested to come to stewards meeting

Shop Stewards Meeting: Oct. Stewards Meeting will be the Dinner more details coming
(3rd Wednesday of every month)

N A L C BRANCH 111
Minutes of the regular Union Meeting
Sept.10, 2009

Convened at 6:36pm

Pledge of Allegiance by Stan Hawker

Moment of Silence for Ryan Call, Wayne Peterson and Larry Herbstritt pass members of branch 111

Roll Call by Sharla Groves

Minutes of the Aug meeting are available at the back table - and posted at the Post offices in Branch 111 - filed for future reference – called by the chair

Reading of the Correspondence by Sharla Groves
file for future reference - called by the chair

New Members by Phil Rodriquez

- none

Trustees Report by Joan Larsen

- no report

Food Drive by Ray Kosierowski

- no report

COLCPE Promoter by Jeff Asay

- Two new sign-ups one was for Orem branch.
- Jeff read the names of those who dropped out of the union this last month, they are Stewart Redd in the 20 zone, Joe Zane in 8 zone and Georgette Tanner in Tooele. If you work with them please ask them to rejoin.

Legislative by Denton Taylor

- Not much going on, him and Phil will be going to DC this month to promote HR22.

Steak Fry by Terry Ehlers

- We have received good feed back from the Steak Fry in the park, looks like we will be in the park again next year.

MBA Compensation by Terry Ehlers

- OWCP is going through the roof, a case out of Sandy is going to arbitration. Stan did a great job on the case.

Health Benefits by Jimmy Kerekes

- He will list the phone #'s in the pounder to call and see if your doctor is on the preferred list for the health insurance. You can also look on the internet, or ask your doctor if they are on the Cigna network. Call Jimmy if you need help.

Safety and Health by Arlynn Venema

- excused

Director of Retirees by Joe Zabriskie

- Read a poem about scabs.

Treasures Report by Mike Madsen

- excused

Vice Pres. Report by Phil Rodriquez

- 653 grievances this year
- There is a lot of stress on the workroom floor. Our routes are getting longer due to less mail, this is the result of a bad economy. It is what it is. Get help for your stress.

Presidents Report by Mike Wahlquist

- Thanked Terry Ehlers for all the help he did with the Steak Fry along with Bob Jewell and the rest of the e-board.
- Thanked Kim Mortensen for organizing all the work at the Labor Day Picnic.
- Dale Krall won the grand prize at the Labor Day picnic \$1,500 TV from Costco
- Presented George Taylor with a plaque and a gift card for life time of dedication and service to branch 111.

Guest Speaker Coby

- MIARAP first round is done we learned a lot with the first time, Salt Lake had a better team than most places. The National results are back 5200 routes taken out nationally, 4.8% in the Southeast 4.5% Western 1.7% New York/ New England. With all this we still need Letter Carriers. The Post Office has way too many clerks right now, that's why they were offered money to go out.
- Legislative front we are for HR22, but we appose the Senate Bill 1507, because of the poison bill attached. The attachment is that an Arbitrator during interest arbitration will be required by law to consider the financial interest of the Postal Service. They always present their financial interest at arbitration, and if it was law we are afraid that this is all they would consider, putting all of our benefits at great risk.

Special Orders

- Report of committee to look into the printing of the Pavement Pounder. The committees recommendation is that we purchase a high speed color printer for the pounder and the office network.
Motion to purchase a high speed color copier to be used as a copier a network printer and a News letter printer at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 including tax the money to be taken out of savings – seconded – passed – voice vote

Old Business

- none

New Business

- Motion by Joe Zabriskie to have a card printed to designate members of branch 111 as NALC members – seconded – failed – voice vote

Good of the Association

- Tom Giron asked to have a vote by mail application put in the pavement pounder.
- Jeff Asay no pavement pounder in Sept. due to no articles submitted timely.

Improvement of the Service

- Bruce Morgan veterans parade West Jordan at 9:99am on Veterans Day.
- Dave Minix asked every letter carrier to order bulk mail to help the mail volume. Jonnie Johnson reminded everyone to not pay their bills on line but mail them to also help the mail volume.

Adjourned 7:53pm motion by Jeff Asay – seconded – passed – voice vote

Drawing winners

- Progressive Retirees \$225.00 Arthur Kilby (Not Present) Next month \$250.00.
- Progressive A Union Meeting \$800.00 Troy Peterson (Not Present) Next month \$825.00
- Progressive B Union Meeting \$375.00 Rick Logan (Not Present) Next month \$400.00
- \$25.00 door prizes Mike Kourbelas and Denton Taylor