

N A L C BRANCH 111
Minutes of the regular Union Meeting
March 13, 2008

Convened at 6:09pm

Pledge of Allegiance by Stan Hawker

Moment of Silence for Alfred Fisher and Herman Nichols retirees

Roll Call by Sharla Groves

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

Reading of the Correspondence by Sharla Groves – motion by Bruce Morgan -to file for future reference - passed - voice vote

New Members by Mike Wahlquist

- Daniel Tanner, Tracy Bushman, Travis Richeson, Jared Tunstall, Alicia Chadwick, Joseph Bowers, Micah Wolsey, Jason Rogers, Mike Frank, Andrew Bishop, Angeluca Reyes, Ester Bruschi, Philip Jacobsen, Zackary Linnell, Talon Penrose, Robert Johns, Troy Bird, Jennifer Wilcox, Brody Berg, Alai Carter, Billy Kawaguchii, Chris Zambos and Don Wright

Trustees Report by Joan Larsen

- will be doing an audit this month

Food Drive by Ray Kosierowki

- The food drive is less than two months away. Card, posters and bags all on order as soon they come in they will get them out to you. May 10th this year.

Financial Secretaries Report of Receipts by Ron Frasier

- no report

COLCPE Promoter by Jeff Asay

- A new COLCPE contest this time it is to the World Series. A big screen TV will be second prize. Winners will be notified at National Convention.

Branch Organizer by Kirk McLaughlin

- Gave everyone an 1187 when they came in, please use it to sign up a non member in your office.

Legislative by Denton Taylor

- It's very important for you to get involved. You should know who your state representative is. The 25th of this month are the mass meetings for party caucuses by districts. You can make a difference if you go and let the people running in your area aware of your concerns. We are leading the country in the number of people signed up for CORE.

Utah State Association Pres. by Phil Rodriguez

- Thanked Denton Taylor for all the meeting he attended during the state legislature.
- Read a letter about the government going to foreign countries to buy supplies.
- Jim Matheson asked for support for COLCPE again, he has been a supporter of ours the whole time he has been in office.
- Hillary Clinton said she is still on board with our issues, she believes it is going to come down to the national convention to get a candidate for the democratic party. Obama has not been willing to sit down with our union and talk about where he stands.

- They are talking about some changes to the current FLMA laws. Corporations feel that they favor the employees. One change is that they want you to have to see your doctor more frequently.
- Looking at a proposal to allow Fers employees to cash out their sick leave when they retire \$10,000 rather than lose it.

MBA Compensation by Jimmy Kerekes

- CA-7 forms for filing a schedule award, to get your pay back, leave buy back and wages losses. It's a pink form, on that form also is a CA-20 attending medical report. The doctor fills out and sends it to OWCP. If your injury is less than 60 days you get paid every two weeks but if you are out longer than 60 days they put you on periodic pay every 28 days.

Health Benefits by Brigham Young

- Flu season is still on wash your hands a lot and be careful.
- Chocolate is good for high blood pressure
- MDA needs to get going again if you have an suggestions let him know.

Safety and Health by Terry Ehler for Arlynn Venema

- I&I accidents down from last year motor vehicle accidents up 60% for last year.
- More pull bars are coming and turn in trees and things that are in your way.
- If you are not in the seat the vehicle better not be on.

Guest Speaker Dave Mori

- El-804 new policy he has trained 13 new DSI's they are going to be out watching and coaching you about your driving. No corrective action but they will talk to you and let you know what you are doing good and bad.

Director of Retirees by Joe Zabriskie

- The 3rd Saturday of each month some of the retirees get together for breakfast at West Valley Golden Coral any retiree is welcome to join them.
- Mike Miller is running for representative in Magna we wish he luck.
- Donna Jewel a member of the aux. was put in the hall of fame for women volunteers.

Treasures Report by Mike Madsen

- no report

Vice Pres. Report by Mike Wahlquist

- 114 open grievances and 73 closed this month 185 so far this year
- They are cracking down on attendance so watch out. If your condition qualifies for FLMA get the paperwork done, protect yourself.
- Volumes are going down and the post office will try to do something about it.

Presidents Report by Mike Miller

- If you want to be a DSI call Liz Pace 974-2530.

Old Business

- Sharla reported back from last month about 30 year pins they are not available to buy through the catalog so I will call national and ask about it.
- steward election ballots are due please turn them in. Thanks.

New Business

- none

Good of the Association

- John Zambos talked about customer connect and the problems we are having getting the time to do the things we promised our customers.

Adjourned 7:12 pm motion by Robert Burson - passed – voice vote

Drawing winners

- Progressive Retirees \$75.00 Harvey Olsen (not present) – next month \$100.00
- Progressive A Union Meeting \$350.00 Larry Dunn (not present) – next month \$375.00
- Progressive B Union Meeting \$125.00 Alan Greer (not present) – next month \$150.00
- \$25.00 door prizes Terry Ehlers and Joan Larsen