

NALC Branch 111

Minutes of the regular Union Meeting

December 8, 2016

Convened at 6:35

Pledge of Allegiance by Phillip Rodriquez

Minutes of the November meeting have been prepared, distributed and posted filed for future reference-called by the chair

Reading of the Correspondence by Kimberly Mortensen, filed for future reference

Application for Membership by Mike Wahlquist for Lance Henrie, excused

- Sarah Fairbanks, Elizabeth Coleman, Ann Cooper, Timothy Moll, Jacob Sung, Vicente Gonzalez, Benjamin Harvell, Heather Peterson, Jane Trujillo, Jessica Holden, Michael Peterson, Angel Negron, Nicki Clark

LCPF Monte Jones no report

Organizer by Jay Reupena

- CCA hiring, orientations, every week; staying busy. The last two classes had only one person. Became a steward last April and it is very challenging.

MDA by Cassandra Last

- December is the last month as coordinator, will be raffling a gift basket. Tickets are \$1 or 25 for \$20.

Legislative by Chad Mortensen

- Chris Stewart provided a generic reply to postcards sent. Looking for CDLs, contact people for representatives. Introduced Phillip Rodriquez; President, UT State Association. Phil discussed where we are as a union with the recent elections, and the Republican control of both houses and the presidency. The president elect has already called for a hiring freeze of all federal workers. The importance of contributing to the Letter Carrier Political Fund was also discussed in depth. Our National organization has asked Utah for help in creating a plan, we will keep you informed. We must stay informed and stay active. The union is here to protect your rights, job benefits and retirement.

Trustees by Chad Mortensen

- The trustees met yesterday and caught up. Mike and Mike are on top of things. There is an unsigned money order for calendars, trying to trace.

MBA and Compensation by Terry Ehlers no report

Health Benefits by Jimmy Kerekes

- Open season ends Monday for FSA, 10 PM our time. There were no health fairs in the valley. The NALC offers several options with different deductibles. Information is available on PPO Doctors and Hospitals. A TSP class will be available next Thurs, Dec 15.

Safety and Health by Rick Watson

- The meeting was on November 17. Injury and illnesses are up since last quarter with 55 moving vehicle accidents, 17 from this quarter. Management has conducted 210 street observations, 28 were unsafe. Be careful and help the CCAs

Director of Retirees by Mike Miller

- Sherrie Mehl retired and received her watch and pin. The retirees present at the meeting were recognized. Keith Meldrum passed away before he could accept his gold card, his family is here to accept it. The following retiree received their gold cards: Wilcox, Lister, TJ Larsen. Membership of 5 & 60 years is something to be proud of. Would like to see more retirees at the meetings, rides are available.

Treasurer by Mike Madsen no report

Vice President by Lance Henrie excused

President by Michael Wahlquist

- Salt Lake City installation Christmas preparations was discussed at the last labor management meeting, management has 14 extra vehicles, head lamps and sand bags as well as puzzle weights are available. Yak tracks and extra scanner batteries have also been ordered.
- A carrier was issued a 14 day suspension for not scanning anything after scanner dies. Write down the number for scans and manually input if the battery dies.
- A committee was formed earlier this year to study a yearbook honoring Branch 111 125 anniversary. Bids from union printers were as follows: Shout Sign \$10,893 Lyon printing \$5760.
- After dark, be as safe as you can, use a headlamp.

Special Orders none

Unfinished Business

- Discussion on the yearbook, it was moved to research and appoint additional volunteers. Motion carries with a voice vote. Terry Ehlers, Laura Cullen and Russ Shosted were appointed to the committee.
- The executive board discussed the motion to send all delegates to the Utah State Convention in 2017 in St George Utah and determined \$12,000 would be added to the 2017 budget to send all delegates that wished to attend. The body could discuss it at the budget meeting.

Unfinished Business none

New Business none

Good of the Association none

The Improvement of the Service none

Adjourned 7:58 called by the chair

Drawing Winners

- \$25 door prizes Cassandra Last & Carrie Strickland
- Retirees \$25 Sabrina Custer (present) next month \$50
- Progressive A Union Meeting \$400 Closs Stewart(not present) next month \$425
- Progressive B Union Meeting \$300 Brandon Hobbs(not present) next month \$325
- \$20 Costco gift cards in lieu of turkeys: Bob Valdez, Tom Lamont, Sean Dahl, Eric Grotepas, Arlynn Venema, Russ Shosted, Macy Chapman, Laura Cullen, Mike Barrios, Rick Watson, Cassandra Last, Scott Marath, Steven Franz, Jeff Marath, TJ Larsen, Joe Horsley, Stan Neering, Curtis Camp, Bev Arnason, Tracy Hauser, Mike Simonsen, Alan Nagata, Kim Mortensen, Aaron Saxon