

June Ruszala-Martin | Secretary



Minutes of the Meeting

April 3, 2013

Quorum: 14 members were present. A motion was made by Kate Tavernier, second by Mike Gardinello and passed to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as printed.

Communications:

Notice read from NALC Headquarters notifying Branch of Health Benefits Seminar to be held in October in FL. Letter received from the National Kidney Foundation thanking Branch for donation made in honor of President Emeritus Vincent R. Sombrotto. Letter from NBA was read regarding the USPS doing a data collection of mail volumes in April. A Memo related to PTF promotion opportunities was discussed.

New Business:

- ◆ President Daniels discussed the upcoming Food Drive, annual COLCPE mailing and MDA Bowl-A-Thon scheduled for April 21st.
 - ◆ A motion was made by Kate Tavernier, second by Chris Jolly and passed for the Branch to fund a COLCPE mailing and drawing with a \$300, \$200, \$150 and \$100 prize.
 - ◆ A motion was made by Jolanda Velez, second by Mike Gardinello and passed to pay reasonable costs for pastry for Food Drive stand-up talk.
 - ◆ President Daniels reported that 21 new CCAs have been hired in Branch 20 and all have joined the union.
 - ◆ A motion was made by Mike Gardinello, second by Tim Thibault and passed to pay all expenses to send the HBR to the Health Benefit Seminar.
 - ◆ President Daniels reported that two PTFs in Waterbury were promoted by "B" team decisions and that a PTR was made a PTF in Torrington.
 - ◆ President Daniels advised that local negotiations for all 31 Branch 20 offices would take place during the month of April.
- Treasurer's report** was handed out to all members present. A motion was made by John Gara, second by Kate Tavernier and passed to accept the report as printed.
- Motion to adjourn** made by Mike Gardinello, second by John Gara and passed.

May 1, 2013

Quorum: 11 members were present. There was no quorum and all reports were accepted by consensus. There were no communications.

New Business:

- ◆ President Daniels reported that completion of the PTF conversion Memo had been extended by the parties to May 10th. President Daniels is sending out a Bulletin advising PTFs and Regulars who want to transfer to another office to use E-Reassign now to apply for transfers without waiting for Memo to be resolved.
- ◆ President Daniels reported that the Branch now has 36 CCA union members.
- ◆ President Daniels reminded stewards that \$2 per active member is authorized for after Food Drive snacks.

- ◆ The annual Branch 20 MDA Bowl-A-Thon raised \$3,108 this year despite the fact that only half the number of bowlers turned out compared to last year.
 - ◆ President Daniels reported on the status of local negotiations reporting that all 29 locals have been signed and no impasses were filed by either side.
- Treasurer's report** was handed out to all members present and accepted by consensus.
- Meeting adjourned** by consensus.

June 5, 2013

Quorum: 14 members were present. A motion was made by Pete Fornaciari, second by Kate Tavernier and passed to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as printed.

Communications:

Letter from Branch 86 requesting charity golf tournament tee sponsors was read. Letter from Russell Library in Middletown thanking Branch 20 for donation in memory of Alice Clark was read.

New Business:

- ◆ President Daniels reported on this year's Food Drive noting that for the 4th year in a row the amount of food collected in Branch 20 has decreased.
 - ◆ President Daniels advised that due to the Branch winning in the NALC National COLCPE contest in 2012 the Branch was awarded six \$100 American Express cards that will be used as this year's COLCPE drawing prizes. The drawing for the COLCPE winners was then held. Brother Tom Sagnella drew the 1st winning ticket for the \$300 automatic COLCPE contributors only and with witnesses present he drew his own name. Brother Mike Gardinello then drew the name of Mark Bruzas for the \$200 prize; Sister Kate Tavernier drew the name of Michael Morton for the \$150 prize and Sister Veronica Gavagni drew the name of John Tynan for the \$100 prize.
 - ◆ Discussion of this year's retiree breakfast was held. A motion was made by Kate Tavernier, second by Veronica Gavagni and passed to fund the breakfast to be held September 29th. Retired members will attend free, active carriers will pay \$5, guests will pay \$15, up to \$500 will be provided for door prizes and gifts will be purchased for current retirees.
 - ◆ Motion made by Veronica Gavagni, second by Lynda Flood-Doms and passed to authorize President Daniels to attend the October COP meeting with expenses paid.
 - ◆ Motion made by Pete Fornaciari, second by David Adeyemi and passed to fund the Stewards' meeting to be held on June 19th.
 - ◆ Motion made by Lynda-Flood Doms, second by Pete Fornaciari and passed to pay for copies of the local agreements to be made for each active member.
 - ◆ Motion made by Norman St Arnaud, second by Kate Tavernier and passed to suspend the July and August union meetings.
 - ◆ President Daniels discussed CCAs and the status of the transfer memo for PTFs and Regular carriers. A discussion was also had on making changes to the quorum requirement in the local by-laws.
- Treasurer's report** was handed out to all members present. A motion was made by Kate Tavernier, second by Pete Fornaciari and passed to accept the report as printed.
- Motion to adjourn** was made by Pete Fornaciari, second by Norm St Arnaud and passed.

