

June Ruzsala-Martin | Secretary



Minutes of the Meeting

September 5, 2012

Quorum: 18 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:

Received letters from NBA's office informing of conversions from PTF to FTR of Robert Arroyo from Meriden, Eric Kriebel from Torrington, Joe Kolodnick, Jr., from Norwich and Patricia Jones from Norwich. Received notice from NLRB dismissing charge brought against branch by scab Rebecca Lojewski dated June 20, 2012. Received a second notice dated July 25, 2012 from the NLRB also dismissing her appeal. A letter from CSALC President Chuck Page requested the Branch purchase 75 tickets to a Congressional Breakfast to be held on October 21st.

New Business:

- ◆ President Daniels reported that 50-year Gold Cards were sent out August 16th to 33 Branch 20 members with 8 more to be presented at the Union Breakfast on October 14th. In addition, a 65-year pin, seven 55-year pins and four 60-year pins were provided to twelve Branch 20 members.
- ◆ New London steward Aaron Hastings resigned and President Daniels appointed Groton steward David Baillargeon to replace him.
- ◆ Waterbury Lakewood Station steward Steve Drysdale resigned and President Daniels appointed Jolanda Velez to replace him.
- ◆ Waterbury Plaza steward Donald Watson resigned and Waterbury steward Ed Alarcon is currently covering the Plaza Station.
- ◆ President Daniels discussed having a COLCPE drawing at the Union Breakfast for automatic annuity and payroll deduction members. Motion made by Kate Tavernier, second by John Gara and passed to provide a \$250 drawing at the Union Breakfast for retired members contributing \$5 or more per month on automatic annuity deductions and active members contributing \$5 per pay or more on automatic payroll deductions.
- ◆ President Daniels explained the importance of this year's elections to postal employees. Motion made by John Gara, second by Pete Fornaciari and passed to endorse Chris Murphy, Elizabeth Estys and Danta Bartolomo and to authorize mailings to our members supporting their elections.

- ◆ Motion made by Kate Tavernier, second by John Gara and passed to have the Branch purchase up to 75 CSALC Congressional Breakfast tickets to be provided to Branch 20 members to attend the breakfast.

- ◆ President Daniels advised that 2 Willimantic and 1 Jewett City grievances on promoting PTFs to FTRs were arbitrated on August 28th. Briefs have been filed and it should be about 60 days for a decision.

- ◆ Motion made by Pete Fornaciari, second by David Adeyemi and passed to authorize expenses for quarterly officers and stewards meeting to be held September 26th.

- ◆ Motion made by Pete Fornaciari, second by Kate Tavernier and passed to sponsor Norm St. Arnauld for the annual JDRF Walk in the amount of \$100.

Treasurer's report was handed out to all members present. Motion made by Kate Tavernier, second by Pete Fornaciari and passed to accept the treasurer's report as printed.

Motion to adjourn was made by Norm St. Arnauld, second by Pete Fornaciari and passed.

October 3, 2012

Quorum: 12 members were present. A quorum was not met.

Communications:

A pre-arbitration agreement was received from the NBA's office informing the branch that the senior PTF in Watertown will be promoted to full-time regular.

New Business:

- ◆ President Daniels discussed the October 14th retiree breakfast.
 - ◆ President Daniels discussed the CSALC State Convention to be held in Mystic in May of 2013. President Daniels went on to inform the members that delegates to the state convention would be nominated at the November meeting.
 - ◆ Discussion was held on spending up to \$11 per active carrier for a holiday gift. A vote will be taken at the November meeting.
 - ◆ A discussion was held on replacing the driveway at the union office down to the union hall. There was a consensus that it be replaced.
 - ◆ A discussion was held on the upcoming national election. We need to elect friends of the Postal Service if we want it and our jobs to survive.
- Treasurer's report** was handed out. The report was accepted by consensus.
- Motion to adjourn** was done by consensus.

November 7, 2012

Meeting was cancelled due to winter storm.

