

## **October 5, 2016**

**Quorum:** (23) members were present. A motion was made by Norm St. Arnauld, second by Tim Thibault and passed to accept the September minutes as printed.

### **Communications:**

The Branches Audit committee just completed an audit of the Branches financial records. The committee has found all books to be in good order. A letter was received from retired member Tony Genova of Waterbury, thanking President Daniels for assisting him in his efforts to get his pension squared away after O.P.M. made a mistake and could not fix it for over 3 ½ years.

### **Old Business:**

- At the September meeting a discussion was held on a holiday gift and spending up to \$20 for all active union carriers. Barkers may have the item we want at a cost of \$15. A motion was made by Jolanda Velez-Ruberte to spend up to \$20 per active union member for a holiday gift, second by David Adeyemi, and passed.
- On Monday President Daniels spent 2 hours with Bridgett to work on the Branch web site. Many things were worked on including setting up a U-Tube section so we can have videos. The Branch purchased our web site name, which is nalbranch20.org. President Daniels is hopeful the web site will be ready for all to use by November.

### **New Business:**

- A motion was made by Norm St. Arnauld, second by Jolanda Velez-Ruberte' and passed to fund the stewards' and officers' meeting in December to include miles, lost time, lunch and a small holiday gift for the stewards and officers.
- At the last stewards' and officers' meeting President Daniels spoke on the possibility of Branch 20 merging with Branch 86 of Hartford. President Daniels and the stewards and officers discussed the reasons for looking to continue CT Merged Branch 20's process of mergers. The branch would be a very large branch with many more people to pick from to do the jobs of stewards and officers. In the past years it has been very hard to get new people to do these jobs in the branch. All stewards and officers agreed that the merger would be the best way to go. President Daniels than spoke on letting the whole membership know and understand what this merger would mean by holding 3 meetings in 3 locations, Waterbury, Middletown and the Shoreline.
- The Retiree Breakfast was well attended with 180 people. There were ten recently retired members present along with four 50 year members receiving their Gold Card memberships.
- At the November meeting delegates to the 2017 CSALC State Convention will be held.

**Treasurer's Report** was handed out to all members present. A motion was made by Jolanda Velez-Ruberte', second by David Adeyemi and passed to accept the report as printed.

**Motion to Adjourn** was made by Norm St. Arnauld, second by Argjent Kala and passed to adjourn.