

## **September 5, 2018**

**Quorum:** (21) members were present. A motion was made by Norman St. Arnauld, second by David Bailageron and passed to accept the June minutes as printed.

### **Communications:**

A note of thanks was received from the family of deceased carrier Leone Counihan for the donation made in his memory to St. Bernard High School. A letter of thanks was received from St. Bernard School for that donation.

A note was received from NBA elect Rick DiCecca thanking President Daniels and the Branch for our support both personally & professionally. Rick also extend his appreciation to the stewards and officers of branch 20 for their support.

A letter was received from Branch 86 Hartford thanking the Branch for our donation to their annual MDA Golf Tournament that raised over \$6,300.

A letter was received from Director of Retired Members Ron Watson thanking the branch for our contribution from our 30<sup>th</sup> Annual LCPF Drive in May.

The Branch received a letter from the Committee of Laws dated June 18, 2018 approving the proposed by-law passed at the June 6<sup>th</sup> union meeting.

A memo dated July 27, 2018 from President Rolando was read that provided for the conversion of CCAs with 30 months or more of relative standing on September 1, 2018. This memo impacts about 40 of our CCAs. All conversions should be completed by September 30<sup>th</sup>.

A letter was received by the President from Anniello Malerba requesting information on how the Waterbury office could break away from Branch 20.

The Branch received a copy of a letter from President Rolando to Aniello Malerba responding to his request on how Waterbury could break away from Branch 20. Rolando responded, "...breaking away is not possible".

The Branch received from the Labor Board a notice of charges filed against the Branch for failure to process a grievance for Vernon carrier Michael Ukers.

### **New Business:**

An Article 11 Appeal was filed by member Anniello Malerba related to the June 6, 2018 vote that passed the by-law proposal. It was read to the members at the meeting.

A motion was made by Norman St. Arnauld, second by Charles Pendola and passed to accept the audit committee's report dated July 24, 2018.

A motion was made by Kate Tavernier, second by Charles Pendola and passed to pay for the IPAD Mini 4 that was provided for the MDA drawing prize. VP Tom Sagnella then held the MDA drawing with the help of Waterbury Steward Stacy Ross. The winner of the IPAD Mini 4 was Jeffrey Abbruzzese of Pawcatuck.

A discussion was held on Amazon delivering their own parcels in our area and how to handle parcels improperly placed in mail receptacles

President Daniels gave an abbreviated report on the recent NALC National Convention attended by him and six other Branch 20 delegates and advised that a full report was available on video on our website @nalcbranch20.org. He also noted that Branch 20's web site that has only been in place for a year won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the national NALC competition and was awarded a plaque at the convention. President Daniels thanked Brandon Jones for his excellent assistance in maintaining the site.

A motion was made by Charles Pendola, second by Mike Maddleana and passed to pay for a new air conditioner motor that burnt out recently.

The retiree's breakfast will be held October 14<sup>th</sup> at the Four Points Sheraton in Meriden. Tickets will go out to the stewards September 17<sup>th</sup>. Twenty-nine members have retired this past year with twenty remaining as union members in retirement.

A motion was made by Charles Pendola, second Arjent Kala and passed to send Vice-President Tom Sagnella to officer's training on September 17<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup> and to pay expenses and lost time.

A motion was made by Charles Pendola, second by Norman St. Arnauld and passed to pay all expenses for the President and Vice President to attend the installation of National Officers in Washington, DC in December.

**Good of the Association:**

VP Sagnella spoke on the Connecticut State Association's Congressional picnic to be held on September 16<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made by Charles Pendola, second by David Bailageron and passed to hold a training class with pizza and soda for all CCAs to be presented by Argjent Kala.

**Treasurer's Report** was handed out to all members present. A motion was made by Kate Tavernier, second by Mike Maddlena and passed to accept the report as printed.

**Motion to Adjourn** was made by Norman St. Arnauld, second by Charles Pendola and passed.