# January 25, 2014

# **Minutes of Meeting**

10:21 AM meeting called to order by President Ann Albro-Mathieu

After the Morning Prayer and salute to the flag, roll call of officers and stewards was taken.

#### Secretary-Treasurer's Report, Kelly Sullivan -

Thank you, Christmas party was a major success. Much appreciation to those who helped to make it that way. Reimbursement checks have been cut to pay over charges from ABA insurance that occurred due to a change (error) in billing. The overwhelming number of checks will be for .24 cents. National worked sluggishly with us to correct the problem.

#### Correspondence- N/A

#### President's Report, Ann Albro-Mathieu -

See attached/On bulletin board at Plant

#### Vice President's Report –N/A

## Clerk Craft Report, Kim Howarth -

Discussed staffing restructuring, 48 bid jobs on Tour 1 in the Plant were abolished and moved to tour 2 and 3. There were bids posted to accommodate all 48 clerks whose jobs were abolished. Eventually, all clerks will have a bid position. Grievances being filed on overtime issues (both pre and after tour) on all tours. Also pay problems with starting times on new shifts for Tour One employees moving to another tour. Grievances will be filed to ensure employees who were charged annual leave or LWOP will have pay adjustments done. Retreat letters were erroneously mailed out to some employees who were not eligible to exercise retreat rights and will be followed up with letters stating just that.

#### Maintenance Craft Report, Adam Souza -

Acting SMO Briggs is padding work for MM's for his return to the Craft. Maintenance work was paid out to contractors who put carpet down in the new Passport Office. Maintenance was unaffected by the change in standards. Martha was very upset after I posted the agreement on Supervisors doing Craft work.

# **MVS Report** – N/A

# **Director of Organization –**

Included with President's Report

Trustee report -

N/A

# Legislative Director, Anthony Gesualdi –

Republicans now control both congress and the senate - we'll see how that goes. Bernie Sanders (I) senator from Vermont is good friend of the Post Office.

## **Building Manager**

N/A

## Sunshine Committee, Kathy Dolloff -

The Sunshine Committee raised \$2761.85 from the December Calendar Raffles, and \$712.45 was raised from the Gift Baskets raffled off at the Christmas Party. She wanted to thank all who purchased calendars and raffle tickets, and those who helped sell them. The Committee will be selling \$20 calendars for drawings in March. See your steward to purchase one. Kathy would like to remind everyone of the purpose of the Sunshine Fund and to apply if you need a donation. (The Application and Bylaws can be found on the Local's Website – APWUPVD.org).

Old Business – None

## New Business-

MOTION – To purchase books to be kept in Union office and used by Stewards and Officers on filing EEO complaints. Estimated cost of \$500.00

PASSED

**MOTION** – To purchase a new cooler and freezer for the hall as both are no longer working and beyond repair. Discussion...

## PASSED

**MOTION-** To purchase a \$100 gift certificate for building manager Nick Mattera and his wife Patty, for all of the work that they do to maintain the Hall.

**AMENDED-** Purchase a \$100 gift certificate for his just Patty. **PASSED** 

Several proposed constitutional amendments submitted by Lloyd Brazee – Please see attached. This will be posted for a minimum of 30 days, and discussed and voted on at the April Meeting.

### Good and Welfare-

Budget discussion by E-board. Expenses will be reduced due to the fact there will be less required travel by stewards and officers this year. A formal report will be presented at February meeting.

There was discussion on the PSEs who were offered either PTF or PSE positions in small offices. If the window training is passed, they will be awarded the position. Initial letters provided some erroneous information. The President and Clerk Craft Director will be meeting with Management to discuss letters with corrected information being sent out the PSEs. This is yet another step in accordance with the National Level Post Plan Decision, which can also be found on the Local's Website.

There was a question on the status of monies owed by former Director of Organization. President Albro-Mathieu stated the accountant currently has the books for 2014 in preparation for Tax Season, however the Local's Attorney is continuing with the Investigation, and President Albro-Mathieu will report out information as it's available.

# **DRAWINGS-**

<u>VOE- \$100</u> Michael Pierce Gary Fitzpatrick

Door Prize-50/50 Raffle-\$29

Sean Fay

Adjourned @ 11:15