Meeting minutes

Regular meeting May 22, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM by President Vincente Crespo

Trustee Brian Avila lead the salute the flag

Moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters

President Crespo announced that Carolyn Butler has resigned as Recording Secretary. He has temporarily appointed Adam Souza. The membership will decide how it wants to fill the position at the June meeting.

Last meeting the minutes of the March minutes were postponed until the May meeting. Mr. Souza reported that he could not find any minutes for the March meeting and that the minutes for the April meeting are on the table.

Motion: To accept the minutes for the April meeting. MVS Director Tucker. Adopted

Presidents Report Vincente Crespo

There were issues with the transportation to training in West Virginia. He and the Clerk Craft Director rented a car from Washington and drove. We are working with airline to get a refund. The training was excellent.

It is now election time for National Officers and RI political elections. We have many letters from candidates announcing their candidacy for National office.

The may Breakfast went well. Crespo, Walker, Brazee, Souza, Howarth, and Avila all helped out with cooking and cleaning.

Plant Manager will not allow USPS employees to help redo union office so will have to do it ourselves. We will buy and install everything.

A reminder: If you are injured at work notify the union. We can help you through the process.

Recording Secretary Butler resigned April 17, 2022.

Temporarily appointed Adam Souza to Recording Secretary. The vacancy will be addressed at the June meeting where the body will decide how they want to fill it IAW our constitution Article 4 paragraph 6 which is attached.

Vinny has been appointed to the rules committee at the national convention in August.

Several amusements have been rented for the summer BBQ. Water slide, popcorn machine, Cotton Candy machine, tent and chairs. Currently looking for a clown.

There was discussion about catering for both the Christmas Party and the summer BBQ.

Plant manager has said nothing about eliminating jobs. However, Postmaster DeJoy plans to eliminate jobs. Nothing in our plant for now

There is no more liberal leave.

New MDO on tour 3 at the plant. Wanda.

John Rinn in now In-plant Support Manager.

Vice President Lloyd Brazee

Fire alarm still off-line in Shop, BMEU and basements.

Covid cases: three in the plant.

No more covid protocols.

We are still entitled to information. Local management notified us w/o request.

Must be cleared by nurse to return to work.

No more close contact lists.

Motor Vehicle Director ChrisTucker

Stated we are having trouble getting PTF drivers. Experience of one year for Tractor-trailer drivers (Class A) and two years for MVO (Class B). If you know anybody let me know.

Management has agreed to cease and desist working drivers over 60 hours.

Art 32. R&F ended contract. We are trying to absorb the local runs.

VMF is looking for mechanics. Can't fill positions

Currently we are short three mechanics and three drivers.

Maintenance Craft Director
Bob Dicenzo

Thanks for sending me to plus training.

Grievance for reversion of MM& in Pawtucket being grieved.

Received new maintenance staffing packages, grieving

Director Of Organization Adam Souza

We will order one more round of sweatshirts for those who haven't received one. We have a list in the Office at the Providence Plant. Stop by and put your name and size on the list by July 1st.

Artwork for the Tee shirts for the summer BBQ is attached. PSE Clerk Richard Hanson did a great job on the design. These shirts will be available at the BBQ until they run out.

Old business

None

New business

There was discussion about the fire alarm. The alarm worked perfectly during the smokey preparation of food at the May Breakfast. Concern was raised about it not being connected to the fire department. It was determined that that was not required.

Motion: To endorse Scott Hoffman. Jay Marerro.

Adopted

Motion: Endorse Scott Adams. President Crespo.

Adopted

Motion: To support APWU Solidarity Team. President Crespo.

Adopted

Motion: To nominated Dave Sarnacki to Business Agent. Steward Jay Lima.

Adopted

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VOE

Tom Dorr. Gary Swider.

11:49. Motion made by Cheryl Duate to adjourn. Adopted.

Adam Souza May 24, 2022 Adopted:

ARTICLE 4
Officers

6. In the event of a vacancy in any elective office other than that of the President, it shall be announced at the next regular meeting, and temporary provisions shall be made to ensure that the duties of that position shall be performed in a timely manner. At the next regular meeting after such announcement, it shall be voted on by the attending members who are eligible to vote for said office, whether or not, and if so by what means, to fill said vacancy. If no eligible members attend the President may fill it. If they decide on an election Article 5 of the Bylaws shall serve as the model. In the event of a vacancy in the offices of both President and Vice President simultaneously both vacancies shall be filled by the accordance with the above. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the President only, the vacancy shall be filled by the Vice President immediately.