

## Union Meeting Minutes June 6, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Guests announced in attendance: Carriers from Silver Spring.

- 1) Roll Call- All present except Tony Gatling, Kevin Abernathy and, Robert Weisner.
- 2) Minutes from the May Meeting. Motion to dispense with reading the May minutes and accept as written and distributed. Motion by, Mike Hotovy. 2<sup>nd</sup>. by, Mike Shawn. Motion carries.

### 3) Communications

- A) Next Union meeting is Wed. July 11, (NOTE CHANGE!) at 7:00 pm. Also the Branch meeting will be in a different room.
- B) Next Executive Board meeting is Wed. June 27, at 6:30 p.m.
- C) Next Steward's meeting is Wed. June 13, at 6:30 p.m.
- D) Grievances of note.....Read at meeting by President Lerch.
- E) Clockrings after 1800.We are doing well in Rockville but, we need to shatter the Window of Operation so please tell your Steward. This information is crucial in winning WOO cases!
- F) Please consider signing up for COLCPE. Our COLCPE coordinator is Shearly Shawn. This money goes to support legislation beneficial to Letter Carriers and their families and to support candidates that support Letter Carriers. We are asking for one dollar per pay period.
- G) Any comments on our AWARD WINNING newsletter or our NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED web site? [www.nalc3825.com](http://www.nalc3825.com). The web site has been updated many times recently. Our website is the most hit in the whole of the NALC!!!! Our NBA, Tim Dowdy, recognized the fine web site we have at the recent Regional Officers Training.
- H) Stewards and officers who are not on the calendar. Make sure that you put you're A/L on the calendar at the branch office.
- I) NALC Bulletin dated May 31, 2012. Read at meeting.
- J) NALC Bulletin dated May 2, 2012. Read at meeting.
- K) Dowdy communication dated May 17, 2012. Read at meeting.
- L) E-Activist dated May 23, 2012. Read at meeting.
- M) E-reassign notice. Read at meeting.,
- N) File for time and a half for working on grievances off the clock. No more double payments for now.

4) Application for Membership- Retiree, J. Wolowacz.

### 6) Committee Reports

- A) NALC Food Drive was 05/12/12. Shearly Shawn is our coordinator. Shearly gave an update. The Branch collected 26,518 pounds of food.
- B) Picnic Committee. Kevin Abernathy is our Picnic Coordinator. Picnic Committee so far is Kevin Abernathy, Robert Weisner, Sergio Lemus, George Abid, Ismael Lemus, Arlene Galang, Kenneth Lerch, Clariza Turner, Claudia Jimenez, Kimie Yang, Mark

Munro, Walter Peralta, and Tom Preston. The Picnic is on July 29 at Bohrer Park. Report? None given. TAKE NOTE! Many Committee members missed the LAST MEETING and a lot was decided on!!!!

7) MBA Report- None

8) Health Benefits Report- None

## 9) New Business

A) By-law proposals. George Abid is our by-laws coordinator. The Executive Board recommends approval of the changes. George read the changes two meetings ago. Art. 3 sec. 4 was addressed and the National declared it out of order.

B) The Case against S-1789. Passed out at meeting and read.

C) Gaithersburg Labor/Management meeting. Agenda Items? 1) PM. Office time, 2) DOIS, 3) Special Inspections, 4) No clearing clerks at cages, 5) Mail up time, 6) Intra Station run. and 7) Mail from carriers who are on vacation.

D) Resolutions passed at Oregon State Convention. Passed out at meeting.

E) Federal Diary; Postal workers are Luke-warm to Senate proposal (S-1789). Passed out and discussed by Vice President Chuck Clark.

F) Please ask Delegates to put in writing if they are not going to the Convention. We have been asking for months to let President Lerch know as soon as possible but not later than the June Union meeting (this meeting.) Please think about re-posts for AL and the possibility of discipline if you got the leave to go to the Convention and you don't cancel the leave and take the week off. Management could charge you with falsifying a leave slip. (3971)

L) The following were excused by motion at tonight's meeting. 1) Kevin Abernathy by. Beth Parsons. 2<sup>nd</sup>. by. Bobby Grier. 2) Mark Baker by. Bobby Grier. 2<sup>nd</sup>. by. Steve Klein. 3) Tony Gatling by. Don Lewis. 2<sup>nd</sup>. by. Sergio Lemus. 4) Natasha Coleman by. Ismael Lemus. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Felicia Whitaker. 5) Theo Anthony by. Bobby Grier. 2<sup>nd</sup> by. Mike Curley. 6) Robert Weisner by. Beth Parsons. 2<sup>nd</sup> by. Mike Hotovy. 7) Shanelle Lewis by. Don Lewis. 2<sup>nd</sup>. by. Ismael Lemus. All were passed by motion.

10 Improvement of Service- NONE

11) Good of the Association- NONE

12) Treasurer's Report- Given by Beth Parsons. Motion to accept by, Mike Hotovy. 2<sup>nd</sup>. by. Mike Shawn. Motion carries.

13 Motion to Adjourn- Motion to adjourn by Sergio Lemus. 2<sup>nd</sup>. by Steve Thompson. Motion carries. Meeting Adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas A. Preston  
Recording Secretary, Branch 3825