



National Postal Mail Handlers Union Local 308 – AFL-CIO

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MINUTES NATIONAL POSTAL MAIL HANDLERS UNION LOCAL 308'S EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING February 26, 2015

Executive Board Members Present:

John Gibson	President
Steve Bahrle	Vice President
Mike Mohan	Treasurer
Nick Campellone	New Jersey State Rep.
Joe Stancell	Delaware State Rep.
Mike Rembelinsky	Pennsylvania State Rep.
Joe Zelenenki	Recording Secretary

-meeting called to order at 10:07.

-Board opened discussions on the Winter Event. Board believed that the event was a success despite the inclement weather which prevented many from attending.

-Brother Mohan offered the following motion which was seconded by Brother Bahrle. Anyone unable to attend the Winter Event due to the weather have their ticket money refunded. Motion passed unanimously.

-Brother Gibson opened discussions on the SAMLU in Boston. Dates of the SAMLU are from August 5, 2015 through August 9, 2015. Board discussed the logistics of the Executive Board attending the August SAMLU.

-Brother Zelenenki made a motion to authorize funds for the Executive Board to attend the SAMLU in Boston in August 2015. Motion seconded by Brother Rembelinsky. Motion passed unanimously.

- Board discussed potential dates for the Executive Council in September 2015.
- Brother Gibson passed out registration forms for completion for the Legislative Conference in May 2015.
- Board went through the Legislative Conference package provided by Brother Gibson.
- Brother Gibson suggested making copies of appointment sheets. Board discussed the teams and how each team would coordinate the scheduling of appointments. Important to keep locations in mind when scheduling appointments since they could be in different buildings and require travel time.
- Board will divide into teams in order to hit as many people as possible. Teams based on geography. I.E. Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania people handling their respective states with Brother Gibson teaming with Brother Stancell.
- Brother Gibson suggests using the Nationals legislative page to coordinate making appointments as they have the most up to date information.
- Board discussed targets for New Jersey for legislative conference appointments. Board then discussed targets for Pennsylvania. Brother Rembelinsky suggests targeting Senators Casey and Toomey for first appointments for Pa. Brother Mohan suggests one person make the appointments for Pa. in order to avoid scheduling conflicts. Brother Rembelinsky said he will handle the scheduling for Pa. appointments. Board discussed Pa. representatives to target based on the Local's geographic footprint.
- Meetings day is Wednesday, May 13th. Meetings should last approximately 10-15 minutes.
- Brother Gibson stressed the importance of an ongoing legislative presence after the conference. Ongoing communication is key.
- Board reviewed the legislative agenda and then discussed. Brother Gibson suggested reviewing the main points numerous times prior to the conference in order to be familiar with the issues.
- Board discussed mail handlers out on Federal Employees Compensation Act(FECA) at length and the differences in retirement benefits if taking a FECA retirement versus a disability retirement.
- Brother Gibson asked Brother Rembelinsky if there has been any recent AFL/CIO activity. Brother Rembelinsky stated not since the last elections.

-Brother Gibson asked Board, "what can we do to encourage voter participation from a Local perspective"? Question was asked if there is a way to get a list of registered voters. Brother Rembelinsky will research and provide feedback to the Board.

-Brother Stancell asked if there is any chance that the service standard change could revert back. Brother Gibson does not believe that it is likely to change back to its former standard.

-Board discussed potential impact at the Philadelphia NDC. Brother Gibson wants to know what vacancies/residuals are available by installation. All installations within 50 miles of the NDC should be under Article 12 at this point. Brother Gibson wants all Branch Presidents to request a list of vacancies and residuals for each installation.

-Brother Zelenenki made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Brother Campellone. Motion passed unanimously.

Fraternally,

Joseph Zelenenki
Recording Secretary
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