

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE JUNE 2014 MEETING

President Dale Sandell called the Membership, of Local 745L, to order at 9:00 am Sunday June 15th. After a brief welcome we recited the pledge of allegiance. Dave Swanson called the roll call of officers. Membership made a motion, which passed, to by-pass the reading of the May meeting minutes. The next order of business is communications to and from, membership and again this month none was heard.

REPORTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD; Dale Sandell

The amalgamation of the Valspar unit, formerly known as USW Local 960, has been moved through the auditors and will be known as USW Local 745L Unit 2. A meeting with the union members and local Valspar management was to be held Tuesday, June 10th but was cancelled at the last minute and will be rescheduled at a later date. The human resources manager is planning a tour of the plant to meet members where they work. The local has not had a membership meeting in a year or longer. Dale has established a contact with a member and is working with her on the transition.

The Classified Unit (#1) Grievance and Negotiating Committee met on June 3rd and held their Unit meeting June 10th. They are still working on a grievance issue or two from the school year and planning a stewards training session for their unit in August. Mark Trone will be assisting on this project.

At the tire plant about 25 4th step meetings are scheduled for June 19th. This will leave less than 25 on the schedule.

Two charges were filed with the NLRB last month, the complaint filed about the company's failure to rehear a grievance after membership voted to take it to the next step. The board has taken no further action on that issue. The local and the International staff are reviewing the other charge regarding retaliation, towards a union rep. It has also been decided that Attorney Alfano will be presenting the arbitration case involving the union business hours.

There were no requests passed on by the board this month.

FINANCIAL OFFICERS REPORTS

Don Hill presented the Financial Report for the month of May. This included a review of the union business hours charged and used including an explanation of the hours. No questions were heard. Dan Kreeger presented the Treasurers report. His report includes copies of the checkbook register for all checks written in May. Questions were asked about the amount of outstanding checks that members have not cashed. All questions were answered.

A motion was made seconded and passed to approve the reports and presented and pay the bills.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Entertainment Committee report was presented by Willie Kreeger. He reported that last month's Anniversary/Retiree picnic at the Jane Addams Community Center was received by those in attendance, yet attendance was light. BINGO and old friends and stories and laughs.

Safety Committee report which included a brief report on the day and night he spent at the district safety conference. He also gave an overview of the Safety theme for July and the progress of the cooperation between the joint safety program.

Classified Staff update came from Cecelia Stacy, Unit Chair; she briefly explained the two outstanding grievances at the school district. Their schedule so far includes stewards training in August and FHS Homecoming Parade the third Wednesday in September.

Political Education Committee report from Mark Hooper told us that there still are vacancies at the Central Labor/ Democratic booth at the fair. The shifts are scheduled 2 hours.

A motion was made seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 a.m.