## **Executive Meeting for January 20<sup>th</sup> 2007**

Meeting called to order by President Wachenschwanz at 10:14am. Motion made by Lehtonen, second by Gladen to accept and suspend the reading last month's minutes, motion passed. **Treasurer's Report**- Report read by Sanchez and were for the months of November and December. In November 2006, Local 42 received a total income of \$20,214.93. Total expenses were \$16,614.21 giving Local 42 an income of \$3600.72. Major expenses for the month were WKYC negotiation expenses and paid Sam McKnight \$1500.00. For the month of December Local 42 received an income of \$8894.09, expenses totaled \$30,829.43. The local withdrew \$17,000 from the credit union of which \$10,000 was paid to Sam McKnight and \$7500 was paid to WJW Fox 8 for ULOA dating back to 2005/06. This gave Local 42 a loss for the month of \$13,329.43; other major expenses for the month were the Officer Quarterly expense and WKYC Negotiation. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report made by Mullally, second by Watkins, passed. *New Members*- WOIO/WUAB- Fonda Oprian, WJW News- Nick Kovach, WKYC-Darlene Wodeck, Jeffery Reidel, Motion to accept the new members made by Stiene, second by Giese, passed.

Correspondence and Thank you's- "Friends of Shaker Library" sent a thank you note regarding a donation sent on behalf of Tracy Liston's (WJW Eng) mother. Thank you note sent from Aristite Smith (WJW Eng). Thank you note from Jacque Milant. Also condolences go out to Mike D'Amato (WKYC) on the passing of his mother.

## **Stewards Report**

WOIO/WUAB- Motion made by Stiene, second by Flowers to make Mike Lehtonen a full steward from his current alternate steward position effective immediately. JJ Jackson brought up the fact that the company took away a week of vacation from him and should be discussed in negotiations. Discussion on a photog who's having problem with his schedule. Discussion held on "V mail" and also on the stringer used by the company. Discussion held on the assignment desk employee who was demoted.

WKYC- Watkins discussed that their contract was ratified- five year deal. Discussed the meeting held regarding an issue between a photog and a reporter. The meeting was held on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Watkins discussed her meeting with the station manager regarding one of the news directors, also a discussion on schedule switching. Discussed Ron Strah's new company in which his company would be the "pool feed" camera for big court cases, this would create jurisdiction problems, "we believe this is a serious issue and a major concern for all of our stations" says Wachenschanz. WJW News- Nothing to report.

WJW ENG- Discussed meeting with Creter about the BURST Training. A discussion was held regarding a grievance filed against the company hiring a non-Nabet to work on the "Robin Swoboda show". The position was first posted as a NABET position, and then hired as a non-Nabet employee.

## **Equity Committee-** Nothing to report.

Old Business- BURST Training, Vice President Kolendo stated that BURST training will tentatively happen in March. Approximately 141 people have signed up and some concessions might have to be made considering the number of people has signed up. Kolendo stated the CBS Avid Trainer will be available for a limited time and the goal is to get the experience and

intermediate people trained first in order to utilize the Avid trainers time. RAB meeting is going to be April 20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, 2007, and held at the Sheraton in Independence.

**New Business-** President Wachenschwanz stated that Lou Fallon/CWA expressed setting up stewards training, more info TBA. Renee Flannery from "American Income Life" stop by and discussed their program available to union members. They have worked closely with CWA 4340 and offer no cost benefits to the union. The no cost benefits include \$1000 accidental death/member, \$500/spouse and \$250/child. "Partners Program", i.e. a discount card for various services including vision, chiropractor, prescriptions, etc. Also, a "child ID kit" is available at no cost. Other supplemental benefits are available for a cost, more information on the program to come in the upcoming months. Meeting to adjourn made by Flowers, second by Payamgis, passed. Meeting adjourned at 12:24pm

Next Executive Board meeting is on February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2007