

Executive Board Meeting for February 17th, 2007

President Wachenschwanz calls the meeting to order at 10:31am. In attendance: Lehtonen, DeChant, Watkins, Gladen, Stiene, Mullally, Jackson, Flowers, Payamgis, Potter, Kolendo, Oliver and Sanchez. Motion to accept and suspend the reading of last month's minutes made by Gladen, second by Watkins, passed.

Treasurer's Report- Report read by Oliver, for the month of January, local 42 received a total income of \$5,5035.62 and the total expenses for the month totaled \$9,993.37 giving local 42 a loss for the month of \$4957.75. Oliver noted that the major expense of the month was the finalization for the WKYC negotiations. Also, the balance for Sam McKnight is down to \$18,000.00. Motion to accept the treasurer's report made by Stiene, second by Mullally, passed.

New Members- WOIO/WUAB Jeff Collins and Ray Williams, motion made to accept these new members made by Jackson, second by Flowers, passed.

Correspondence and Thank you- Thank you note for the Beale Family (Oliver, WJW) for flowers received. Also a thank you note from the Palanz family (WJW). Letter received from Nabet Local 43/Detroit on behalf of a retiree Ed Martins needing some help, discussion held and no action taken.

Stewards Report

WJW Eng- Discussion held on the ongoing grievance about the Robin Swoboda show. Discussion held on the letter about the sexual harassment seminar and its request for mandatory attendance and the two individuals who came in on their day off and were denied the 8 hours of overtime for coming in for the meeting. Two grievances were settled, the "editing out in the field by a non-Nabet" as well as the "viewing tape in the live truck in the field" were both settled, please see the chief steward for further explanation. The McGhee grievance is going to arbitration.

WJW News- Nothing to report.

WKYC- The new contracts have been received. Grievance was filed on some schedule changes, a meeting was held with

Sportosky another meeting TBA. Discussed the upcoming "State of the City" coming up in March.

WOIO/WUAB- Discussed the meeting held with the new director and the email received by a member regarding "spot news". Also discussed the numerous "off site" meetings held recently. Discussed the member whose brother died in Iraq, a donation made in lieu of flowers. Discussion held on the two graphic members that have left, also discussed the "web producers" who are not represented in the unit. Lehtonen discussed his meeting with Stanek regarding Operations.

AFL-CIO- Wachenschwanz stated that the AFL-CIO was looking for volunteers for this year's Labor Day Parade. This year's parade will be in North Olmsted, if interested see President Wachenschwanz. RAB meeting will be on April 19-21, all stewards and encouraged to stop by; it will be held at The Sheraton in Independence.

Old Business- Renee Flanery visited and discussed the CWA benefits and explained the "final call" letter that would be going out in March. Discussed the letter sent out to the Judge regarding the Ron Strah "pool feed". The Article X hearings was finalized and the matter is now closed.

The Tribunal unanimously set aside the charges brought forth against Robin Gubanich-Gebhardt from Kelvin McGhee. The Tribunal decided that “none of Mr. McGhee’s charges were supported by language of the relevant passages in Article XIX and XX of the CWA Constitution; Article X and the CWA Rules of the NABET-CWA By-Laws; or Article IX (sub 9.2) of the NABET-CWA Local 42 By-Laws. Burst Training will be in March at the Union hall. Also Stewards training has been approved, Lou Fallon will be coming to Cleveland in May for one day, more info TBA.

New Business- A Nabet member mention the “Gannett is cheap” website and wondered if all stations should have a website similar. Motion to adjourn made by Stiene, second by Payamgis, passed.

Next Executive Board is on Saturday March 24th at 10:30am.