Western Michigan Area Local #281 American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO

General Membership Meeting Minutes May 6, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 12:00pm at the APWU Union Hall, located at 2554 Burlingame Ave SW; Wyoming, MI 49509 with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Short Invocation.

Roll Call of Officers:

The following officers were present:

President-Amy Puhalski **Executive Vice-President** – Joshua Gray **Recording Secretary-** Suzi Boyd **Treasurer**-Linda Chandler

Clerk Craft Director A-Jeff Schellinger Maintenance Craft Director-Mike Long Motor Vehicle Craft Director-Chris Fisher Clerk Craft Director B-David Janes Sergeant of Arms-John Hansma

<u>Review of previous meeting's minutes:</u> Motion by: Lisa Borchardt, seconded by Jeff Schellinger to accept the April 7, 2018 General Membership Meeting Minutes. Carried

Applications for Membership (Accepted by Voice Vote of Membership):

Autumn Pinks, Mike Larabee, Lilliana Broughman Welcome New Members of the WMAL!

Bills: None

Officer's Reports:

Treasurer's Report: Report ending April 30, 2018 read. Motion to accept by Lisa Borchardt, seconded by Jeff Schellinger. Carried

<u>President's Report:</u> We just returned from the state convention. I would like to say I am proud of our local for submitting 18 resolutions. All the delegates represented the WMAL well. We have been dealing with article 37 language on creating desirable duty assignments. These will be held at step 3. The whitecaps game is coming up on June 16. The local will cover the cost of up to two tickets per member. May 16 is the deadline to submit the request to attend. November 11 will be the casino trip with shopping at the outlet mall. More information to follow at a later date.

<u>Executive Vice-President's Report</u>: Thank you for coming out on a Sunday afternoon today. The convention was a great success. I will go over the convention in more detail at the next meeting. Still working on the settlement for 204b issues.

Recording Secretary's Report: Thank you to the membership for electing me to be a delegate to the state convention. I feel we had a great convention and a lot of resolutions were submitted and passed. We raised and donated more the \$5,000.00 to COPA. We all need to educate ourselves on the candidates for the upcoming November election. We need to gain back control of the house or senate. Voting has consequences; or if you don't vote, don't complain. Do your part, be heard and vote! As always, please remember to give to COPA.

<u>Clerk Craft - A Report:</u> Traverse city put on a good convention. I would like to commend Mike Long, he works hard for the MPWU and he did a great job of putting the convention together. We are continuing to deal with Reversions in function 1. We received some good duty assignments back in the stations, we gained back 3 jobs. We are continuing to file on reversions. If you see any thing happening in your area, please let us know. Work hours is what keeps our jobs, please refrain from early outs.

<u>Clerk Craft -B Report</u>: Management is attacking the closing position in the offices, do not take early outs. They are keeping track of hours that you are not at work. Work hours is what helps to create jobs. We have been successful in converting a few pse's. It is important to punch into work on time. Being late is an unscheduled absent. Management looks at those hours as hours not needed.

<u>Maintenance Craft Report-</u> Team cleaning is in full force. Make sure you fill out your 4776's. I would like to welcome and congratulate Josh Gray as area 6 and Lisa Borchardt as area 7 directors. Line H grievances are being pre-arbed.

Motor Vehicle Craft Report: We are currently dealing with overtime and PTF overtime grievances.

Sergeant at Arms Report: None

<u>Committee Reports:</u> None <u>Correspondence:</u> None

Old/Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

E-Board Recommendation: None

<u>Labor Management</u>: If you have anything for Labor Management please let your President or Craft Directors know.

<u>Drawings</u>: \$250.00 Attending the Meeting Drawing: Shannon Trombley (If she was at this meeting, she would have won!)

COPA: 50/50 Drawing: \$-103.00 collected. \$51.50 to Ann Hill Graves, the winner.

Five (5) - Twenty (20.00) Dollar Door Prizes: (NOTE: According to local policy, when an Executive Board member receives one of the door prizes, another drawing is done. If 40 or more are present, there is one additional drawing per ten members).

1. #29 Chris Fisher4. #9 Cathy Strunk7. #15 Dana Mclean2. #2 David Janes5. #8 John Hansma8. #18 Suzi Boyd3. #6 Michael Greene6. #7 Lisa Borchardt9. #10 Leann Merrills

Motioned by Mike Long, second to adjourn the meeting at 12:33pm. Carried. Respectfully Submitted,

Recording Secretary