



NABET-CWA Local 16

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NABET-CWA Local 16 Executive Board Meeting Minutes July 18, 2017

LOCATION OF MEETING: Local 16 Office, 229 West 28th St., Room 402, NY 10001

DATE OF MEETING: July 18, 2017

ATTENDANCE: President: Arthur Mazzacca
Vice President: James J. Nolan (vacation)
Secretary-Treasurer: Richard L. Gelber

Executive Board Representatives:

Unit #1: Al Villar
Unit #2: William Bores
Unit #3: Stephen Rubbinaccio
Unit #4: Brian Kelly
Unit #5: Stephen Francis

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

1. Funding Requests

The Board considered numerous funding requests and took no action.

2. NYC Labor Day Parade

The New York City Labor Day Parade will be held on Sept. 9, 2017. Brian Kelly is the coordinator for Local 16.

3. EZ Buyout

Some members who were accepted for the currently offered Sideletter EZ buyout ("VSP") have been given Dec. 1 retirement dates rather than July 28. This would negatively impact their pension payments for December. The "negotiating parties" (ABC and NABET-CWA) are working on a solution.

4. General Membership Meeting (Update)

A General Membership Meeting was held, as announced, on June 21. The attendance was disappointing.

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5. Shop Steward List

The Local 16 Shop Steward List has been updated as needed.

6. CWA Biennial Convention

President Mazzacca will attend the CWA Biennial Convention in Pittsburgh, PA, in early August, as the Local 16 Delegate.

7. New Members

The following members were accepted into membership contingent upon payment of initiation fees, dues and verification of application:

R. Fisher J. Doiron J. Mascoll M. Schmettau O. Oliveros

Moved: Villar Seconded: Rubbinaccio Passed Unanimously

8. Bargaining Updates

Motion to go into Executive Session

Moved: Villar Seconded: Francis Passed Unanimously

Motion to come out of Executive Session

Moved: Rubbinaccio Seconded: Kelly Passed Unanimously

A. ABC

The “retro pay” dispute and other outstanding issues between the parties are on the verge of resolution.

B. GMA EVS Operators

New dates for conclusion of the negotiations for the GMA EVS operators will be set up in the very near future.

9. Committees

A. Safety

Local 16 Safety Co-Chairman Plimack made an appearance at the meeting, and handed out certificates of appreciation to Bill Bores, Brian Kelly, and Al Villar.

ABC says it is working on a policy regarding not working in standing or moving water. The meaning and importance of the second paragraph of Section 21.3 of the Master Agreement regarding safety were discussed extensively.

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9. Committees – Cont'd

A. Safety – Cont'd

Construction in B-Basement is being conducted with proper partitioning. The WABC-TV contractually-mandated six month meeting date has been slid again.

B. Remote Servicing

Eleven remotes were serviced since the last meeting. Steve Rubbinaccio brought the Board up to date on remote issues including retroactive reimbursement for mileage for the use of employees' cars.

The Board discussed the continuing issue of drone training.

There has been good reaction to the new NABETCWASports website.

Major remotes coming up include the U.S. Open Tennis, and the Little League World Series.

C. Grievance & Arbitration Report

A prep. meeting is upcoming involving a T.D. suspension.

The two remaining “snow day” grievances will become moot when the current “buy-outs” are completed.

Further discussions have taken place regarding the ENG “hold” issue.

A grievance may be pending regarding the treatment of Desk Assistants & Teleprompter Operators at WABC-TV.

D. Political

Bill Bores reports that Randy Bryce running against House Speaker Paul Ryan for Congress in Wisconsin. He is considered to have a good chance. IBEW Local 3 is still on strike against Spectrum Cable (formerly Time-Warner) after several months.

10. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board held on May 17, 2017 were accepted as submitted.

Moved: Villar

Seconded: Kelly

Passed Unanimously

11. Pay Problems at “The View”

Bill Bores brought up ongoing payroll problems at “The View”. Local 16 is investigating the situation.

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12. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Secretary-Treasurer Gelber presented the May and June report, and the Board discussed unusual high revenue for the current month (July) and projections for the end of the fiscal year on Sept. 30.

Motion to accept the report of the Secretary-Treasurer

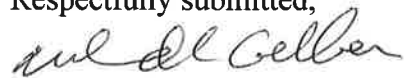
Moved: Rubbinaccio

Seconded: Kelly

Passed Unanimously

The next meeting is Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard L. Gelber
Secretary-Treasurer

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