

UAW LOCAL 571 MARINE DRAFTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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MDA-UAW Local 571 Executive Board Meeting Minutes August 2, 2021

August 4, 2021

P.O. BOX 7275

<u>President William E. Louis</u> called the meeting to order and asked that you keep in your thoughts our recently deceased members, retiree Barbara Lynch, family members and to our Veterans past and present.

<u>President William E. Louis</u> asked for a motion to accept the July 12, 2021 E-Council Meeting Minutes as circulated and posted. A motion was made (David Reagan), seconded (Mark Ciliano) and passed to accept.

Treasurers Report:

<u>Treasurer Robert Faraci</u> read the Treasurers Report. A motion was made (Eric Straub), seconded (Tony Giordano) and passed to accept.

Correspondence:

To President William E. Louis from UAW Region 9A, Beverly Brakeman the 15th Annual Charity Golf Tournament which benefits the United Labor Agency. This year the Tournament will take place September 26, 2021 at the Lake of Isles, North Stonington, CT.

<u>To Recording Secretary Martha Fletcher</u> from Kimberly Deschamps resigning as Councillor in Groton Shipyard and as Committee Chair of the Recognition Committee.

Officer Reports:

<u>First Vice President David Reagan</u> reported no new step 3 grievances filed. Member discharged for Violation of Rules and Regulations.

William E. Louis, President David M. Reagan, 1st Vice President Amy Stephenson, 2nd Vice President



Martha J. Fletcher, Recording Secretary Dave W. Evans, Financial Secretary Robert J. Faraci, Treasurer

Second Vice President Amy Stephenson reported no new step 3 grievances filed.

Settled Grievance U-0019-20 misassignment of MDA work. The settlement was favorable of the MDA with a monetary distribution to members who would have performed the work and to maintain the work going forward.

Recording Secretary Martha Fletcher reported no new step 3 grievances filed. A member was discharged for not reporting to work and providing medical info for absence.

<u>Financial Secretary Dave Evans</u> reported no step 3 grievances filed.

Treasurer Robert Faraci reported no new step 3 grievances filed.

Standing Committee Reports:

Building and Property Committee Financial Secretary Dave Evans reported the committee has received 1 estimate to fix / replace the front door to the Union Hall, we will be getting two more. The landscaping and mulching areas around the parking lot at the hall is completed and it looks great. The gutters that were taken down during the outside repairs last month were leaking. The contractor has come back and repaired the issue.

Election Committee Treasurer Robert Faraci reported there are two open councillor position elections for Eagle Park and the shipyard that opens Tuesday, August 10 and closes Tuesday, August 17, 2021. Also, just a reminder that at the September General Membership Meeting, nominations for the open Election Committee position will be taken.

Health and Safety Committee Treasurer Robert Faraci reported the Parking Garage work at the New London facility is ongoing. The work is currently taking place on level 5. The quarterly Safety Walkthrough was conducted at Eagle Park facility and everything was good.

<u>Summer High School Intern Program Dave Evans</u> reported all of the MDA Interns are in their groups, learning how each of their disciplines operate. This week the Summer Interns will be visiting the Windham Textile and History Museum.

Absentee Committee Recording Secretary Martha Fletcher reported the following E-Board/E-Council members absent from the July 12, 2021 E-Council Meeting: Mark Ciliano, Jeremy Deschamps, Kevin Fusconi, Rick Gianfrocco, Cody Johnson, Josef Knets, Eric Nelson, Ed Roczniak, Jeff Vary and Kyle Wolmer.

The Absentee committee would like to stress the importance for all E-Board, E-Council and Committee Chairs to attend all monthly meetings. Please contact the absentee committee in advance if you are unable to attend a meeting. Nicole Reagan NREAGAN@GDEB.COM, 860-433-4598, Wayne Carbone WCARBONE@GDEB.COM, 860-867-2691 or Mellisa Kamishlian MKAMISHL@GDEB.COM, 860-433-1288. Officer of the Committee Martha Fletcher 860-448-0552/Cell 860-608-1301.

Community Service Committee James Newman reported there will be a Food Show Collection, August 10, 2021, Mohegan Sun, after work. We will be putting the food onto pallets to be picked up by the Teamsters. The food will be brought to the Gemma E. Moran United Way/Labor Food Bank for distribution to over 75 local non-profit Food Pantries, Kitchens and Shelters, including the MTC/MDA Food Locker serving EB employees and the community. This is a great chance to meet some new people, the whole family can come and help. Please see the EBECSA flyer on EB Landing or in the Community News for more details, including RSVP information. RSVPs are suggested for volunteers so we have a way to contact you with last minute updates if needed.

Every October the EBECSA hosts informational meetings for employees on company time, and we are looking for volunteers at all CT EB locations to help. We are looking for friendly people that are interested in doing things like helping hand out the pledge cards, run slideshow and similar simple tasks. It's a great way to meet lots of people, while helping over 100 non-profits.

Any questions please contact Jim Newman 433-2558.

<u>Trustee Eric Straub</u> reported that the Trustees Eric Straub, Jim Newman and Mark Ciliano are at the Union Hall this week conducting the semi-annual audit.

<u>Veterans Committee President William E. Louis</u> reported Our Veteran's Committee will be hosting a Cornhole Tournament November 20, 2021, at the Thompson Speedway or at one of the Casino's if possible. More information to be provided soon. Save the date.

Old Business

Any member wishing to purchase MDA Local 571 apparel, please contact Karen Heroux at the Union Office, 860-448-0552.

MDA Local 571 Golf, September 11, 2021 at Cedar Ridge, will honor Mel Olsson on Towels and Koozies this year. The cost will be \$20 per player. The Union will pick up the full cost of carts (1st come, first serve) raffles, food and rentals.

21 Teams max, once we hit 21 Teams, registration will be closed.

The AFL-CIO Comm Services Golf Tournament will be held, Monday, August 30, 2021 at Great Neck Country Club, 12:30 pm Tee off.

We will be subsidizing the Golf with \$1200.00 for players (split evenly) Must sign up through the United Way, not the MDA.

The UAW Region 9A, 15th Annual Charity Golf Tournament will take place September 26, 2021 at the Lake of Isles, North Stonington, CT. \$1,500.00 was approved to subsidize golfers.

New Business

The UAW Region 9A Manufacturing Round Table will meet on September 30, 2021 and tour the Ella Grasso Technical School. The Region 9A and representatives from our Union will

take part in the tour and we would like to provide the lunch for the participants. A motion was made (Martha Fletcher), seconded (Jim Newman) and passed to accept.

Our Veteran's Committee will be hosting a Cornhole Tournament November 20, 2021, at the Thompson Speedway or at one of the Casino's if possible. A motion was made to purchase Veteran Commemorative Coins as challenge tokens at the tournament not to exceed \$2,000.00 (Eric Straub, seconded (Mark Ciliano) and passed to accept.

A motion was to spend \$500.00 dollars on gift certificates for raffle prizes for attendees at the upcoming September 13, 2021 General Membership (Jim Newman), seconded Dan Hall) and passed to accept.

For Good of the Union

Brad Lamphere volunteered his help on July 20th and 28th, 2021 with a United Way/ Labor Food Center distribution. Thank you Brad.

Our Trustees Eric Straub, Jim Newman and Mark Ciliano are conducting the Trustee semi annual audit at the Union Hall this week. The UAW Audit will take place August 9 through August 13, 2021.

The company has lifted the suspension of Retirement Gathering Funds. Please note that cash advances for retirement funds are no longer available. Retirement funds will only be distributed through company reimbursement, this will be done through management. The MDA member is not responsible to pay for the party, that is managements responsibility.

We discussed that in the past this local has distributed MDA Local 571 trinkets (lanyards, koozies, mugs and such) at events and other programs. Our stock of these trinkets is no longer and we are looking to purchase new items.

We discussed that the Retiree Luncheons we host with the help of the Retiree Committee once a month has raffles that some of proceeds go to the Veterans and the Gemma E. Moran United Way/Labor Food Center. We are thinking about purchasing \$25.00 and \$50.00 gift cards to help with getting more participation with the raffles to help the good causes the profits go to. We will be talking with the Retiree Committee for their input.

The MDA office is looking at ways to better secure our records. We discussed ways such as a Cloud base secured system.

Financial Secretary Dave Evans provided a list of the new member applications:

BADGE:	NAME:	DEPT
160291	MAXWELL HUSSEY	456
159782	BRYAN APUZZO	456

160307	JOSEPHINE WYDLER	453
160308	ABIGAIL NADEAU	456
160257	MARCO GIORNO	459
160264	GAGE BROWN	459
160258	MARY LEMBREE	447
160266	MARIACAMILA MOLINA	447
160261	TIMOTHY SILVA	452
159816	WILLIAM WEINGART	456
153422	CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS	456
159959	ROBERT DUNBAR	456
154184	STANLEY HARRIS *	452
159967	CHAD BARCLAY	456
154182	DIANNA GALUSTIAN	456
150805	ANGELA EMILYTA *	429
160007	BRIANA SIMONS	408
160167	SARAH TURNER	452
158531	NICOLE HOLLY	442
150472	ZACHARY ABBOTTS *	459
159168	CHRISTOPHER MURRAY	452

* Reinstatement

A motion was made to accept the new members (Tony Giordano), seconded (Jim Newman) and passed to accept.

A motion was made to adjourn (Martha Fletcher), seconded (Jim Newman) and passed to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Mosthar Fletcher Recording Secretary, MDA-UAW Local 571

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