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Minutes of Executive Board of OAPFF

140 East Town Street

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President Sanders called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm.

S/T Horton called the roll. All Board members and staff present with the exception of Metro Rep. Reall and Communications Director Stern who were absent and excused.

William Arehart (L#67), Jeff Romstadt (L#92), Jerry Miluk & Tim Nickels (L#1690), Brian Gatley (L#1723), Tom Donovan (L#48), David McElfresh (L#109) and Jeff Moore (L#3518) we also in attendance.

S/T Horton gave Financial Report and provided handouts with expenditures over \$1000.

The trustees reported on our assets, inventory and numbers. They will be available for review after the meeting.

General Counsel Henry Arnett reported on working to determine the definition of a full time employee.

Pension Trustee Jeff Moore reported that the Pension Board is also discussing part time/full time employment.

President Sanders reported on Portsmouth and pensionable income. Discussion was had. President Sanders also reported that on November 29th VP Gauer will be leaving to become the IAFF Director of Grants. A special election will be held January 13th.

VP Phil Gauer gave a special thanks to everyone throughout the OAPFF for their cooperation during his tenure. A special thanks was presented from President Sanders for the work that VP Gauer has done for all locals.

President Sanders gave a report on Butler Twp. and the background on their local. VP Harvey announced that Butler Twp. is reaffiliating with the OAPFF.

VP Gauer expressed the UFCW's support against Marc's Food Stores for their employee actions.

President Sanders announced the OAPFF Educational conference will be held March 6th through 8th.

Director Quinn discussed the upcoming educational conference at the Hilton and presented an overview. The second day will be PEP classes.

President Sanders held discussion on the OAPFF Conference date selections.

President Sanders announced the Bengals-Browns tailgate (Battle of Ohio) and 120 tickets were available.

Director Carney held discussion on SB27. He also gave an overview of SB5.

Director Stern announced we had 11 out of 14 successful election results highlighting that Troy beat the part time issue and election results overall.

Pension Trustee Dan Desmond announced that in October the Pension Fund is now within the 30 year funding target. He also discussed healthcare concerns.

Pension Trustee Jeff Moore discussed the method of appeal of disability. He also discussed healthcare issues.

VP Taylor reported Massillon and Niles are in fiscal emergency. He expressed thanks to Jim Carney and Doug Stern for help on all issues. He reported on the Right to Work Rally that he attended, Coshocton County EMS, and possible new locals. He also reported he is crafting a report from the Secondary Employment Committee.

VP Rave discussed the passing of Darryl Dever and the excellent relationship he had with the Pension Board. He announced that Ken Keifer will be stepping down from his OAPFF position after the first of the year.

VP Hollenbacher reported Wapakoneta had a fire fighter terminated. That fire fighter then ran for mayor and won the election. Various negotiations are still ongoing.

VP Harvey reported on Local #2926 fundraising issues.

Motion by VP Gauer, 2nd by VP Richard, to send Mike Columbo \$250 for fighting fire fighter cancer.

Motion passed unanimously

VP Harvey also reported on the Norwalk rank differential and various negotiations.

VP Richard gave a special thanks to outgoing VP Gauer. He discussed Cadillac issues and contract timing.

Jerry Miluk gave a special thanks to Jim and Doug for his local's campaign. He reported NOFF President Jim Astorino will be stepping down.

Jeff Romstadt reported on a 7 way mayor's race. He also reported he will be stepping down, with new leadership in December.

William Arehart discussed a granting issue.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,



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