

IBEW 159 General Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: 7/15/2022

Meeting was called to order at: 5:30pm

All officers were present (except): Katie Hunt (unexcused) Kevin Klepper (excused) David Boetcher was appointed by President Stern to serve as Recording Secretary.

Swear in any New Members: 9 new members were sworn in.

June 2022 **Minutes were posted on table and approved by membership**

June 2022 **bills were posted in the back. MMSA to pay the bills.**

Treasurer's report given by: Greg Storkson

Total income: \$ 215,546.65

Expenses: \$ 123,209.56

Net Income: \$ 92,337.09

Balance sheet report:

Beginning Cash: \$ 5,652,576.21

Ending Cash: \$ 5,652,582.23

Total Assets: \$ 6,439,702.36

Communications:

Thank you from Alzheimers Association and Salvation Army for donations. Request from IBEW Local 5 – no action. Request from Food for the Poor – MMS&A for \$250. Request from Sauk County Humane Society – no action. Request from Union Sportsman's Alliance Dinner – MMS&A to sponsor two tables of 10 people each with a gun at each table. MMS&A to suspend rules to swear in a new member. Meeting resumed.

Executive Board Report: Had not been submitted to office in time and will be read next month.

Business Agent Report: Lisa Goodman reported many open calls for Westphal, Pieper and Morse. They are asking for General Foreman, Foreman, JW's, and CW's. Stumbling block for Morse is vaccination requirement. Apprentice book is empty. Question on ratios. Many locals are having trouble filling calls.

Organizer's Report:

Damon Glenn Organizing incentive is listed online.

Business Manager's Report:

Finished apprentice interviews with excellent candidates. Will take just over 50 this year and are at about 25 now. Carol, Damon and Sue are asking to stay on the apprenticeship committee. Finances and work are good.

RENEW Committee Report:

RENEW was given by Mitch Johnson. Upcoming events – Aug 6 Kayaking event at noon. Pursuit of Happiness booth multiple dates in Aug and need volunteers. Outreach LGBTQ event coming up. Highway cleanup is last Sunday in July 11am to meet at Woodmans on Milwaukee St.

EWMC Committee Report: None

Women's Group: Paddling event was held. Hilti donated tools to the tool library. Back to school women's event will be mid to late Aug and will announce soon. 'Be that one guy' training event will be at IBEW Local 494 on Milwaukee on Saturday Aug 20 10am-3pm.

Vet's Committee: none.

Audit Committee: none.

Pension Committee: None

Exam Board: Met July 6, 2022. And gave the JW and VDV exam to three people. Inside JW Michael Ellefson scored 81%. VDV Eddie Brown scored 56% and VDV Lincoln Resonke scored 74%.

Unfinished business: None.

New Business: MMSA to reimburse Shawn Daniels for attending 40th IBEW Convention Lost wages, boarding, travel and meals.

MMS&A to pay for up to 16 members to attend Tradeswomen Build Nations in Las Vegas in October lost wages, travel, food and hotel.

MMS&A to pay for up to 16 members to attend IBEW Womens' Conference Sep 7-10 in Washington DC lost wages, travel, food and hotel.

Pablo Baxter was appointed to conduct the swearing in of new officers from the recent election.

Good of the Union: President Bates assumed the chair. Pablo Baxter reported on the Labor Notes Conference. Damon Glenn said thank you for allowing him to serve as the organizer. Newly elected officers introduced themselves. Mike Killian stated he had appointed two business agents – Josh Stern and David Boetcher. He will be appointing at least one more.

Moment of silence for brother Moll who passed away.

Suchoman Scholarship \$ 84

Winners: 5 winners

Attendance winner: \$100 went to Tom Hamielec

Meeting Adjourned at: 6:41pm

Respectfully submitted by: David Boetcher, Acting Recording Secretary