

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING
FEB. 23, 2011**

MINUTE OF SILENCE

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Move adoption of previous minutes as per handout at door.

BUSINESS ARISING: None

CORRESPONDANCE: None

FINANCIAL REPORT: Dave Crosswell

Move adoption of Financial report as per handout.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY`S OFFICE/CLUB 200: Dave Crosswell

We are working on the Club 200 Golf Tournament if anyone can help us out with sponsors it will be greatly appreciated.

The Board will be meeting tomorrow; we have 7 or 8 request for support for kid's activities. Next week we will be going to Ottawa to do some lobbying with the National Union on Health care Issues, Pensions, and Unemployment.

I have been very busy with potential retirees if anyone has any discussions with folks about retirement please have them make an appointment with me.

The Gary Shaw Fund raiser went very well we will end up raising close to \$10,000.00

Thanks to everyone who helped us out with this event.

We are dealing with the nursing home bed shortage some of our members are being affected by this and we are doing everything we can to help them out.

The issue with the Home care workers not being paid is unbelievable, can you imagine not getting paid for 8 weeks and still going to work and doing your job my hat is off to those Care Givers for continuing to go in and take care of their patients. Hopefully this will be resolved soon.

WOMENS COMMITTEE: Dinelle Booker

No Report

RECREATION COMMITTEE: Pam Strong

Friday night Chili Cook Off is Friday night.

I know I sound like I'm repeating myself but I feel I have to in order to have a good turnout. Feb. has been a very busy month it seems with 1 or 2 events every weekend. This week included with the Elections on Sunday. Without taking too much of your time away from family, I 'm asking if you could stop by for an hour with your family and friends we are open early enough 5:00 so you still have the evening or you can come by later the contest will be judged at 8:00.and we will be there until around 11:00 or 12:00.

This event was our most successful last year and we hope to be same this year. The Cost is \$5:00 at the door to taste all the Chili.

Cash bar, music and card tables will be set up. All proceeds will be given to local charities at the end of the year. Hope to see you there.

I want to wish everyone running in the election on Sunday good luck and I will see you there.

RETIRES CHAPTER: Herb John
No Report

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE: John Engleman

Social Justice Forum. February 24 at U of W. This will be our 5th year participating in this event with all School Boards involving Grade 8 students, some of our partners are also the Jewish Community Centre and CAW 200 Environment Committee.

We are also pre screening a documentary called SHOCK WAVES about the atrocities in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Congolese Radio journalists putting their lives on the line reporting abuses of power by the military and government, including murder, rape and looting of civilians. The documentary also shows a confrontation with soldiers who practise extortion and torture and a narrow escape by a death squad. These radio journalists from the Radio Okapi national network take enormous risks to get the truth on the air

Our committee is hoping to do dinner and a movie night.

More info to follow

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Auggie Menna

The following members have been chosen to attend the 4 week PEL this year can the Chairs of the plants please let them know.

Rob Mellor, Dave Drouin, Al McDonald, Joe Belanger, TK Mohindroo, Andrew Fisher, Brian Patterson, Jeff Walsh

ENVIROMENT COMMITTEE: Troy Brian

Our Environment Committee members will be putting on our presentation: "Clean Water is a Human Right" at the 7th Annual Human Rights Forum at the University of Windsor tomorrow. We'd like to thank our CAW Local 200 Human Rights Committee and the Holocaust Committee of the Jewish Community Centre for the invitation to present our message of the importance of protecting our precious natural resource again this year.

POLITICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE: John Engleman

Stephan Harper and the budget, maybe March 22 2011

Election is on the way Federally and Provincially in November

Liberals and Bloc not supporting the budget over the harper cooperate tax cuts

Jack Layton is demanding,

Removal of sales tax from heating bills

Restore Eco Energy Retrofit

Increase GIS guaranteed income supplement for seniors

Enhance CCP

Recruit more doctors, hire and train nurses also

Stay Tuned

APPRENTICESHIP COMMITTEE: No Report

ELECTION COMMITTEE: No Report

PRESIDENTS REPORT: Dan Cassidy

On Roll at Ford is 1422 which includes 71 TPT's with 1034 on Lay Off.

Voith on roll # is 33

Penske on roll # is 34

Nemak on roll # at WAP is 88 and EAP is 32.

The 32 members at EAP went through orientation this week, I stopped in a couple of times to speak with our new members they also toured the EAP this week. We are hopeful that we could see that plant expand down the road.

I want to wish everyone the best of luck in the upcoming Elections. We have been getting quit a few calls on voting rules and I spent about 45 mins on the phone with one of our members I listened very carefully and when it comes they perceive a lot of things that are not fact. I wish more of members would come out to our membership meetings to see and hear what goes on. Many of our members perception of our meetings is that we do not allow them to speak openly and that we just shut them down those kinds of things may have happened 15 - 20 years ago but now. As long as everyone is respectful with each other they will have there say. He was saying all we talk about is doom and gloom and my response was, that is reality would you rather have us talk about how good things are when they are not. We need to figure how we can better educate our members.

We are going to have a tough battle in 2012 Bargaining I think our members are going to expect big gains if Ford continues to make big profits. The bonuses that were given out in the states was already in their language, the company has to pay them profit sharing. We do not get it because we still have our COLA and we are farther ahead with COLA then bonuses.

The issue that is on going at Lachamier Nursing Home with the members there not being paid for 9 weeks is absolutely not right, but those same members continue to show up for work and take care of their patients they are amazing, these are folks that truly care.

I want to congratulate Chris Taylor and Jeff Vilag on the new roles that they will be taking on and wish them success, I'm confident they will both do a good job. After the in plant elections we will have more discussions on the transition here at the Hall.

Also congratulations Mike Olar on his Election as Plant Chair at WAP.

I also want to Thank Dave for everything he has done for everyone as well and congratulate him on his decision to retire and we will do something down the road.

I want to thank everyone who helped out at the Gary Shaw Event a good time was had by all and it looks like it will be a big success for Drouillard Rd. Place.

Discussion on Report

Rob: Has Ken Lewenza spoke to Ford about us not getting a bonus, we have sacrificed with our new agreement we should be getting something as well.

Dan: I believe he has spoken to Ford but not positive.

Rob: I would like a specific answer to the question.

Report was moved supported and passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

GOOD & WELFARE: Dave Crosswell

I want to thank all the Stewart Body for the donations for Marcel Slieman.

ADJOURNMENT: 4:45 PM