

Minutes from the General Branch Meeting May 8, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by OIC/Exec. Vice President Cruz

Exec.Vice President Cruz led the Pledge of Allegiance

Recoding Secretary Debbie McDowell read the Roll Call of Officers

Resolutions: None

Recording Secretary Debbie McDowell read the minutes from the April 10th meeting. A motion was made by Brother Steven Mahoney 2nd by Brother Carmelo LaSalle Jr. to accept the minutes as read. A vote was held...motion passed.

Financial Secretary Vinnie Geraci gave the branch's financial report as April 30th as follows:

- Convention Account \$43,660.75 Dinner Account \$11,094.56
- MDA \$3,500.77 General Account \$713,997.50



Recording Secretary Debbie McDowell read communication from the Military Veterans Association. They were asking for a donation from the branch of \$150.00 as well as inviting us to their Memorial Day activities at the Brooklyn GMF on Thursday, May 24th.

Executive Vice-president John Cruz awarded Canarsie Shop Steward and *Director of City Delivery* Izzy Rivera with an award for being a shop steward for twenty (20) years.

Chief Steward Paul Marks spoke about grievance activity and monetary awards for the following stations:

- Adelphi \$4,735.02
- New Lots \$1,538.66
- Shirley Chisholm \$1,299.69

Director of Retirees George Mignosi spoke about the following:

- Thanked Exec. VP Cruz on his job and leadership on the Retiree brunch
- Informed the membership to check on bills from hospitals for a tax that <u>federal employees are exempt</u> from.
- Reminding the membership about Nalcrest, Florida. A one (1) bedroom apartment rents for only \$403 a month.

Executive Vice President John Cruz spoke to the membership about the following:

- The baseball game at Cyclones park is Saturday, August 4that a cost of \$20
- Beer Bust will be Saturday, June 16th from 6:30 pm until at a cost of \$15



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- Asked stewards to help collect food for the Food Drive by collecting monies in the station and then going shopping.
- Sarina Farina, Maria Tagtarlione and Rosita Thompson names have been submitted by the branch for Region 15's Response Team
- Paperwork had been turned over to the OIG concerning an issue in the Collections Unit
- Saturday, May 12th....7 more CCA's would be converted to regular

The following motions were made, voted on and passed by the membership:

- For the branch to purchase two (2) new laptops, a printer, Wi-Fi and other accessories for the union office at the GMF so that Paul Marks and others would be able to work remotely
- For the branch to cover all expenses for shop steward Alvaro Rodriguez to attend Formal A Training and Beyond in October 2018
- For the branch to donate \$150 to the Military Veterans association

• For the branch to donate \$150 to purchase an ad in Branch 357's retiree journal

A motion was made by Brother Andrew Peters and 2nd by Brother Antoine Murray to adjourn the meeting and call the 50/50 raffle.

50/50 DRAWING – \$55 TO THE WINNER

WHITE TICKET # 356492

WINNER – BEA WILLIS





OF BUSH TERMINAL STATION

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED @ 8:23 PM