

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – May 9, 2023

The meeting was called to order via Zoom and in-person at 7:03 p.m. by President Serop Karchikyan. The pledge of allegiance was led by Sergeant-at-Arms Ric Roldan and there was a moment of silence for our departed brothers and sisters since the last meeting. The roll call was answered by twelve officers and stewards in good standing. Motion (Siechert/Lee) passed to waive the reading of the minutes and accept as emailed and printed for members at the meeting. Letter from National Executive Vice President, Paul Barner, was read regarding President Brian Renfroe's Leave of Absence. Motion (Rich/Siechert) passed to waive the reading of the bills spreadsheet as emailed and printed and warrants be drawn and bills be paid. Motion (Siechert/Lee) passed to waive the reading of the Treasurer's Report and accept, with the correction to March's report, as emailed and printed for members at the meeting.

Motion (Temblador/Lee) passed to accept the following applications for membership: G. Cando, I. Latin, M. Montoya, N. Nash, M. Powers, L. Villaneda. **Welcome!** MDA Rep Carolyn Zorn reported on yard sale fund raising and letter writing for Muscular Dystrophy. MBA Rep Vinh Trieu reported that all NALC members are covered with a \$5K accidental death benefit. Health Benefit Rep Keith Lineman shared that May is mental awareness month with the NALC plan providing mental health services through Optum Live and Work Well program. Food Drive Coordinator Rob Burskey asked members to get the word out regarding the Food Drive May 13th. Trustee Leroy Collier announced the next Branch audit will be August 22nd. Brother Collier and Sister Zorn spoke about Teamsters and unionizing companies, including Amazon.

Motion (Siechert/Burskey) passed to accept the Executive Board recommendation that the Branch policy be changed to reflect that bills must be submitted no later than the Monday prior to the Executive Board meeting in order to be considered at that month's membership meeting. By Law change was read: Article II, Section 1 (Full Text following). President Karchikyan announced that FSS will be discontinued May 27th. He also reported that Santa Clarita will be included in the transition to "super hubs," and to make sure that carriers are cleared in the PM for accountable mail. The Branch thanked Nancy Norman for providing the meal for the meeting.

Motion (Temblador/Giancanelli) passed to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. Submitted by,



Nancy Norman
Secretary-Treasurer

Proposed By-Law Change

ARTICLE II. MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular meetings of this Branch shall be held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Union Hall. The meeting shall not continue beyond 10:00 p.m. without the consent of the members present and voting.

Propose to read:

Section 1. Regular meetings of the Branch shall be held at the Union Hall at 7:00 p.m. on the second ***Wednesday of each month unless it conflicts with a holiday or a national or state convention and it will then be held on the third Wednesday. Members may participate by Zoom or any other virtual meeting service that the Branch may adopt providing a membership verification method is utilized. Digital members will be counted as present and be allowed to vote.*** The meeting shall not continue beyond **9:00** p.m. without the consent of the members present and voting.