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MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: June 8th, 2022 **Place:** Virtual

Attendance Sheet: Filed in the office

The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President Gerald Lezeau **Special Guest:** Brother Kenneth Mulligan, DC-37 Grievance Representative

Secretary's Report:

• Mr. Sherif Fawzy, Treasurer, made a Motion to approve the March 9th, 2022, Minutes and Mr. Odelin Francois, Membership Officer, seconded the motion: **Motion Passed**.

Treasurer's Report:

• To date the Account balance is as follow:

MONTH	March	April	May
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$783,455.27	\$788,061.20	\$787,854.70
EXPENSES	\$18,653.47	\$206.05	\$1,125.47
DEPOSIT	\$23,259.40	\$0	41,557.64
ENDING BALANCE	\$788,061.20	\$787,854.70	828,286.87

- Mr. Odelin Francois, Membership Officer, made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and Mr. Gregory Homatas, Local 3652 Member, seconded the motion: **Motion Passed**.
- As always anyone who wishes to review the financial records for Receipt / disbursement may make an appointment with the Treasurer, Sherif Fawzy, at 908-705-4194 or MaggieSherif@hotmail.com.

President's Report:

- Requested for a moment of silence for Brother Kirit Patel, former Sergeant-At-Arms, who passed away.
- •The Union was trying to get Albany to fix Tier 6 to match the Tier 4. Tier Six (6) members will be vested in 5 years instead of 10 years, just like Tier 4 members. Also, overtime can be added toward their pension calculation. The Union really wanted to change the minimum age to retire, which remains at 63 and members will have to contribute to their pension until they are ready for retirement.
- Application for the Education Fund is available on the website for members and their children who wish to apply. The deadline to submit the application is September 19th. Qualifying members can receive up to a \$1000.
- •The MTA gives us Juneteenth as another holiday which happens to be Sunday, June 19th, 2022. We will be able to celebrate the holiday on Monday, June 20th, 2022. The Union is working with management so that members can get all the benefits of the holiday if they happen to work on that day.
- •Track Engineering schedules workers to be on call for a full week at a time, including days off. Members can charge 1 ½ hours for every phone call receive in their day off and a minimum of 4 hours if reported to the site.
- •Brother Andrew Johnson, Ex-Public Relation Officer is promoted to a management position, therefore he can no longer be in the union. Our new Public Relation Officer is Brother Brian Cohen.

Officer's Report:

- •VP, Annette Brown: As of Tuesday, June 7th, 2022, MTA no longer require cov-19 dynastic testing from their employees. MTA is given everybody 2 hours, before or after their tour to go vote on June 28th, 2022, with pay.
- •Treasurer, Sherif Fawzy: The Union Won a grievance for a member who was working as an intern for a couple of years without any promotion. The member is content with the result which includes back pay.
- Public Relation Officer, Brian Cohen: Hoping to make the zoom meeting smoother, update the website with updated information under resources and useful links, i.e., missing fund from the government.
- •Membership Officer, Odelin Francois: Track Engineering insisted on employees to work weekend coverages.
- Mr. Kenneth Mulligan, DC-37 Grievance Representative: Emphasized that weekend coverage is not part of the contract, therefore it is optional for workers to do weekend coverage for their departments.
- •Raffle Winners: Syed Qadeer, 3rd place prize of \$100. Kievel Hall, 2nd Place prize of \$150, and Vikas Vyas, 1st Place prize of \$250. Winners can either pick up their gift cards at the Union Office or 130 Livingston Plaza.
- •Old /New Business: None

The next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 14th, 2022, at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully

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Secretary