

BLET DIVISION 724 MEETING

December 14, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT:

T.M. Chambers, J.W. Henke, C.J. Black, D.E. Michael, J.L. Black, S.R. Smith, J.R. Powless (Ryan), D.M. Decker, T.L. Jeter

OPEN: Following a dinner @ Craig O's courtesy of Tom Gaither representing Kujawski & Associates, the meeting opened by Division 724 President Chambers @ 0710 PM.

READING OF MINUTES: Minutes of the November meeting were read and approved 8-0.

READING OF PETITIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS: Safety Committee: After discussion it is decided that we need to establish our own version of a safety plan and then meet with UTU representatives to discuss a possible coalition. Chad will continue working on a plan of action.

L/C Black presented the need for new printers for the Local Chairman and Secretary/Treasurer offices. After much research he has narrowed it down to a couple of laser printers at Staples for around \$300. A motion was made by D.E.Michael, seconded by Ryan Powless to purchase the printers. Motion passed 8-0.

REPORT OF LOCAL COMMITTEE: Local Chairman CJ Black reports that he is working on vacations and trying to get more weeks available. He reports that the General Committee has been to 2 claim conferences however no Division 724 claims were processed. The blueprint claims for the RE20 and RE26 have just been turned in and should be conferenced around February.

He reminds members to keep turning in claims for federal rest issues, especially on extra boards.

He reports that a checklist is coming out on the back of our orders this week. Although it is voluntary, he urges people to use the checklist.

We are still waiting on information for the upcoming L/C workshop.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT: None

REPORT OF GENERAL COMMITTEE: None

TREASURER'S REPORT: Report for month of November was read and approved 8-0.

NEW BUSINESS: Some concerns have arisen about our disability insurance carrier. We have been presented with an alternative that some people might find a better choice for them. JW Henke says he will contact this insurance company and report back at the next meeting. DE Michael reports on an initiative that is trying to change how we vote for national officers. The petition wants it changed back to the old way so only the delegates can vote instead of the membership. DM Decker makes a motion for Division 724 to take a vote on this initiative. Seconded by Ryan Powless. Motion passed 8-0. A vote is taken and the initiative is turned down 8-0. This information will be forwarded to the National Division.

MEMBERSHIP INITIATIVE; $\$260.00 + \$9.00 = \$269.00$ in kitty.

MOTION TO ADJOURN; Motion made by DE Michael and seconded by Ryan Powless to adjourn @ 2045. Approved 8-0.