

JLCNR Executive Board Meeting Minutes
November 4, 2023

Present: Lynn Hunneyman, Janice Shepard, Rick Morris, Joan Carlo, Linda Lepper, Peg Bootie, Mike Montigelli, Ruth Shippee, Carol Ashbridge, Dick Grissinger

Absent: Claudia Curley, Cheryl Smith, Liz Brenon, Barb Russell

1.0 Opening and Welcome: Lynn called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for coming.

2.0 The minutes from September 14 meeting were unavailable at this time.

3.0 Treasurer's Report: See attached sheet

4.0 Committee Reports:

- **Trades and Labor:** Rick reported that there were many presentations at the Jefferson/Lewis County Labor Council meeting. DANC, Workforce Development Institute, Micron,
- An agreement was made that Union laborers will do work on Syracuse projects
- Iron Workers received their raises - 5 ½% first year, 3 ½% second year, 3% third year
- SS in Crisis - see attached handout
- The next Solidarity Parade will be on 9-2-2024.
- There will be a dinner/social meeting on December 1, 2023 at 6pm at Mullins. It's free.
- The Jefferson/Lewis County Labor Council now has a new name - North Country Labor Council.

4.2 RC9 Issues - Lynn and Rick have been very busy with RC9. They are trying to fix the issue with the banking. The money at this time is in MBT Bank. It will be switched to Key Bank.

4.3 Social Events - We aren't reaching everyone by email. Attendance at the events is down. Some people don't have emails, some delete emails. We need to go back to snail mail. Ruth stated that the info can get put in the newsletter if she receives it early enough. Ruth also suggested using PayPal for payments. We may look into this for the future. Next fall NYSUT is leaning towards people having to sign up to get the paper copy of the newsletter.

4.4 Membership - Linda reported that people are confusing RC9 and participation monies. She said that every time people receive the newsletter that talks about membership dues, some people send money in even though they all paid up. Linda is working to update all members. Membership right now is around 250.

4.5 Fall Leadership Conference - this was held in Lake Placid October 20-22. Lynn said it was a very good conference. NYSUT paid for him to attend.

5.0 Old and Continuing Business:

5.1 Website: the JLCNR website is always looking for photos and suggestions for events

5.2 New Members: We need to find more member representation for the Executive Board. Too many locals are not represented.

5.3 NCCCT - North Country Coordinating Council of Teachers - Janice and Lynn are attending and keeping up on this.

5.4 RA 2024 - meeting is in NYC . Lynn Hunneyman, Rick Morris and Joe Vernon will attend representing RC9

5.5 Winter RC9 and RC10 Meeting - It has not been determined when or where

5.6 Jefferson County Historical Society visit - this is on hold due to boiler problems with the museum.

6.0 New Business:

6.1 Political Developments for 2024 - John Mannion is running for Congress for the 22nd Congressional District. He's a NYSUT member.

- Activism and Vote/Cope - a committee meeting is in March to look at these and see if changes can be made.
- 2024 elections will be interesting

6.2 JLCNR flier - we need to keep trying to contact potential members.

6.3 AFT Action Network - Lynn has tried to use this. Not everyone is getting the info.

6.4 Meritain - any problems people are having with Meritain, they need to share the problems with the NYSUT office.

6.5 Plans for 2024 - Looking for suggestions to improve our membership numbers and continue to grow JLCNR.

6.6 New Teacher Awards - Teryn Field from South Jefferson and Alex Davis from Beaver River won the 2 awards. Each receives \$250.00.

7.0 Adjournment - motion made by Mike. Seconded by Janice. 10:48

- Meetings in 2024:
March 14, April 14, June 13, July 11, September 12, November 14.
May, August and October to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Carlo

Secretary

P.S. We will look into having a lunch in March.

