

St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO
Official Minutes
February 21, 2006
I.B.E.W., Local #1 Hall

The meeting of the St. Louis Labor Council was called to order by President Robert Soutier at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 21, 2006.

President Soutier led the delegates in the invocation, followed by the pledge of allegiance to our country's flag.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was held in memory of Patrick Hickey IV, Plumbers & Pipefitters, Local #562.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

ROLL CALL

Roll call of officers disclosed the following: **PRESENT:** Robert Soutier, John Ebeling, Mary Armstrong, Vergil Belfi, Barbara Black, Nancy Cross, Jim Dougherty, Tony Ellebracht, Gerald Feldhaus, Tom George, Chico Humes, Earline Jones, Terry Loehrer, Tom McNeil, Michael O'Mara, Roger Poole, Perri Pryor, Gary Reay, Dick Renna, Mark Selby, and Rick Smith.

EXCUSED BUT RECORDED AS PRESENT: Herb Dill, Kevin McNatt, Kevin Patterson, Joe Schonlau and David Zimmermann.

AFFILIATIONS

SEATING OF DELEGATES

President Soutier called Chico Humes, GCC/IBT, Local #6-505M and Bryon Clemens, St. Louis Teachers, Local #420 to the podium and gave them the oath of office to represent their local unions as delegates to the St. Louis Labor Council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the January 17, 2006 meeting minutes as printed, with copies available in the rear of the room.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

President Soutier spoke on the election results in the 93rd and 105th districts.

President Soutier read the COPE recommendations. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the recommendations as read:

C.O.P.E. RECOMMENDATIONS

Endorsed Candidates:

St. Louis City Labor Legislative Club:

School Board – City of St. Louis

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Peter Downs

Donna R. Jones

Jefferson County Labor Club:

Festus City Council Ward #1

Jim Muellersman

Mayor Olympian Village

Toni Casey

Hillsboro School:

Jason Law

Jack Baughman

Northwest School:

Vick Presnell

Tom Wilkerson

Fox School:

Cheryl Hermann

Rock Community Fire Protection District:

Jules Zimmerman

Rock Township Ambulance District:

Pat Chisholm

Jim Love

Jefferson County 911 Dispatch:

Mike Cook

Conrad Smith

Glenn Boyer

Antonia Fire Protection District:

Fran Newkirk

North County Labor Club:

Councilman – Jennings Ward #1

Dennis Murray

Councilman – Florissant Ward #9

Dan King

Mayor – Overland

Mary Beth Conlon

Mayor – University City

Joe Adams

Alderman – City of St. Ann Ward #4

Eileen Grant McGeoghegan

Alderman – City of St. Ann Ward #1

Rae Peterson

Councilman – Florissant Ward #5

Ken Schildroth

Councilman – Overland Ward #2

Jeff O’Connell

Bayless School Board

Jessica Ebeler

Trustee – Village of Riverview

Craig W. Boehmer

Board of Trustees District #1

A roll call of officers disclosed the following: **Present:** Robert A. Soutier, John Ebeling, Herb Dill, Jim Dougherty, Tony Ellebracht, Earline Jones, Terry Loehrer, Kevin McNatt, Michael O'Mara, Kevin Patterson, Dick Renna, Ken Truemper and Ernie Angelbeck for David Zimmermann..

Excused but recorded as present: Mary Armstrong, Vergil Belfi, Nancy Cross, Gerald Feldhaus, Tom George, Tom McNeil, Roger Poole, Perri Pryor, Gary Reay, Joe Schonlau, Mark Selby, and Rick Smith.

Also in attendance were Ed Finkelstein, St. Louis Labor Tribune; Bob Kortkamp, President Missouri ARA; Steve Hollis, AFGE #3354, Roger Allison and Rhonda Perry from Missouri Rural Crisis Center; Lenny Jones, SEIU and John Rossini.

President Soutier introduced Steve Hollis to give a report on the Missouri Rural Crisis Center.

Roger Allison and Rhonda Perry spoke on the impact they can have on the farm community.

President Soutier interjected on the subject by stating the need to become more involved with the rural farmers in our state and educate them on issues like "Right to Work."

President Soutier introduced John Rossini for a report on identity theft.

Bob Kortkamp informed the group of a BBQ fundraiser planned for March 29, 2006 to benefit the Missouri ARA. Bob also announced that the date for the Union Labor Mass this year is Sunday, May 7, 2006 and is once again to be held at the Shrine of St. Joseph in downtown St. Louis.

President Soutier advised the Board that all permits for the Labor Day parade have been applied for.

Soutier read the C.O.P.E. recommendations from the St. Louis City Labor Club, the Jefferson County Labor Club and the North County Labor Club. A motion was made, seconded and approved to recommend the following:

St. Louis City Labor Legislative Club:

School Board - City of St. Louis:

Peter Downs

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Donna R. Jones

Jefferson County Labor Club:

Hillsboro School:

Jason Law

Jack Baughman

Northwest School:

Vick Presnell

Tom Wilkerson

Fox School:

Cheryl Hermann

Rock Community Fire Protection District: Jules Zimmerman

Rock Township Ambulance District: Pat Chisholm
Jim Love

Jefferson County 911 Dispatch: Mike Cook
Conrad Smith
Glenn Boyer

Antonia Fire Protection District: Fran Newkirk

North County Labor Club:

<i>Councilman – Jennings Ward #1</i>	Dennis Murray
<i>Councilman – Florissant Ward #9</i>	Dan King
<i>Mayor – Overland</i>	Mary Beth Conlon
<i>Mayor – University City</i>	Joe Adams
<i>Alderman – City of St. Ann Ward #4</i>	Eileen Grant McGeoghegan
<i>Alderman – City of St. Ann Ward #1</i>	Rae Peterson
<i>Councilman - Florissant Ward #5</i>	Keith Schildroth
<i>Councilman - Overland Ward #2</i>	Jeff O’Connell
<i>Bayless School Board</i>	Jessica Ebeler
<i>Trustee – Village of Riverview</i>	Craig W. Boehmer
<i>Board of Trustees District #1</i>	
<i>St. Louis Community College</i>	Margo McNeil
<i>Hazelwood School District</i>	
<i>Director – Board of Education</i>	Mark Behlmann
<i>Councilman – Florissant Ward #3</i>	Tom Schneder
<i>Councilman – Florissant Ward #7</i>	Mary Elizabeth Dorsey
<i>Alderman – Dellwood Ward #4</i>	Donald Haynes
<i>Councilman – Ferguson Ward #2</i>	James Hines
<i>Ferguson School District R2</i>	John F. Knowles
<i>Trustee - Village of Riverview</i>	Cheryl A. Boehmer
<i>Alderman – City of St. Ann Ward #2</i>	Gary Guittar
<i>Metro North Fire Protection District</i>	Louis Schunur
<i>Hazelwood School District BOD</i>	Desiree Whitlock
<i>Councilman – City of Normandy Ward #3</i>	Henry “Bud” Frank
<i>Councilman – City of Normandy Ward #3</i>	Bridget Quinlisk Dailey
<i>Councilman – City of Normandy Ward #1</i>	Lee Beel
<i>Councilman – City of Normandy Ward #2</i>	Tony Evans
<i>Councilman – City of Normandy Ward #4</i>	Robert “Bob” Reid
<i>Alderman – Bellefontaine Neighbors Ward #1</i>	Shirley D. Paro
<i>Mayor – City of Maryland Heights</i>	Michel Moeller
<i>Councilman – City of Jennings Ward #2</i>	Gail Ivers



Board Member –

Riverview Garden School District

Selena Melton

Board Member –

Riverview Garden School District

Tommie Pierson

Councilman – City of Florissant Ward #1

Timothy Lee

Terry Loehrer, Firefighters #2665 made a motion to endorse the .25 cent tax increase on homes in the West Overland Fire District and the .50 cent increase in the Mid-County Fire District in the April elections. The motion was seconded and approved to endorse both issues. These separate issues will be included in the C.O.P.E. report.

Ed Finkelstein, Labor Tribune advised the Board that there would be a small increase in the Labor Tribune due to increased postage requirements.

Roger Poole, Dir. District No 9 IAM & AW spoke on the Legislative Conference to be held in Jefferson City on April 2 through 5, 2006.

Kevin Patterson, Gas Workers spoke on the impact they are have exposing Laclede Gas meter problems.

With nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Fraternally,

Robert A. Soutier

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COMMUNICATIONS

President Soutier reported the BLS index at 589.4 for December 2005.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Bob Kortkamp, President of the Missouri ARA, spoke about the fundraiser lunch they will be having at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 29, 2006 at the IAM and AW District #837 union hall.

Kortkamp also reminded the delegates of the Labor Mass on Sunday, May 7, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. at the Shrine of St Joseph, with brunch following at Maggie O'Brien's.

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Dave Cook of UFCW Local #655 gave an update on the Wal-Mart site fights.

Mike Louis of I.A.M. Automotive Lodge 777 advised the delegates about a fundraiser for Wayne Henkie with John Edwards as the main speaker sponsored by the State Democratic Party.

GOOD AND WELFARE

President Soutier asked John Clark and Marcia Cline to come forward for a special presentation to United Way Board Member Dick Renna for his long service to the United Way of St. Louis.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

The community services' drawing was held.

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing else to come before the delegates, a motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting.

Fraternally,

Robert A. Soutier, President
St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO

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The following Delegates were present:

Administrator's Association of the St. Louis Public Schools, Local #44
137 Members

Aluminum, Brick & Glass Workers
Local #169 – 308 Members

Amer. Fed. Of TV & Radio Artists
400 Members

Asbestos Workers
Local 1 – 325 Members
Mark Selby

Bakery, Confectionery, Tobacco Workers and Grain Millers
Bakers No. 4 – 1253 Members

Boilermakers
Local 27 – 500 Members

Bricklayers
No. 1 – 1102 Members
Joseph Schonlau

Chemical Workers Union
No. 16 – 53 Members
No. 81 – 117 Members
No. 432 – 172 Members

Communications Workers
No. 6310 – 1955 Members
Tony Ellebracht
No. 6320 – 3591 Members
No. 6350 – 421 Members
Bob Huss
No. 6377 – 1001 Members
Earline Jones
No. 6390 – 333 Members

St. Louis Mailers Union
No. 3/CWA 14620 – 200 Members

St. Louis Newspaper Guild
No. 47/CWA 36047 – 567 Members

Typographical Union
No. 8/CWA No. 14616
150 Members
John Ebeling

Intl. Union of Electronic, Electrical, Salaried, Machine and Furniture Workers
No. 818 – 28 Members
No. 823
No. 1104 – 20 Members
No. 1107 – 162 Members

No. 1114 – 197 Members
Intl. Bro. of Electrical Workers

No.1 – 4300 Members
Tom George
Leon Arties
John Clark
John Dirksen
Yvette Goods
Jacob Hummel
Bernie Ryan

No. 2 – 600 Members
No. 4 – 408 Members
Michael Pendergast
No. 1439 – 752 Members
Leo Beishir
No. 1455 – 745 Members

Elevator Constructors
No. 3 - 372 Members

Operating Engineers
No. 2 – 1000 Members
Vergil Belfi
No. 148 – 697 Members

Hoisting Engineers No. 513
500 Members

Federal Labor and Trade Unions
No. 20711 (Advertising, Publicity and Newspaper Representatives)
16 members
Ed Finkelstein

Fire Fighters
No. 73 – 431 Members
No. 757 – 72 Members
No. 1889 – 144 Members
No. 2665 – 1518 Members
Terry Loehrer
No. 2677 – 21 Members

Food and Commercial Workers
Retail Store Employees, No. 655
13,829 Members
Jim Dougherty
Cynthia Blackmon
David Cook
Bob Lindsley
Cathy Schleef
William Swift
Bryan Wynn

Lindbergh Federation of Food Service Employees
Local 6006 – 58 Members

**Glass, Molders, Pottery, Plastic
and Allied Workers (GMP)**

Local 182B – 45 Members

**American Federation of
Government Employees**

No. 900 – 200 Members

No. 1336 – 25 Members

No. 1711 – 14 Members

No. 3354 – 50 Members

No. 2461

(Mine Safety & Health Admin.)

GCC/IBT

International Union

No. 38 N – 120 Members

Dennis Clancy

John Shetterley

No. 6-505M – 1845 Members

Chico Humes

Donald Osiek

UNITE HERE No. 74 – 2000 Members

Kevin McNatt

Iron Workers

**Bridge and Structural
Iron Workers**

No. 396 – 850 Members

Tom McNeil

Bill Brennell

Mike Butler

Charles Decker

William Trendley

Frank Winterer

Laborers International Union

No. 42 – 250 Members

No. 110 – 500 Members

No. 660 – 225 Members

Perri Pryor

No. 718 – 100 Members

Letter Carriers Branch No. 343

1400 Members

Michael Chenot

Gus Frank

Robinette Hensley

Pamela Stepney

Longshoremens

No. 1652 – 16 Members

No. 1765 – 294 Members

Machinists & Aerospace Workers

Progressive Lodge No. 41

817 Members

Stephen Branson

Michael Diefenbach

Richard Feldhaus

Michael Ribbert

Larry Williams

Tool and Die Lodge No. 688

208 Members

Joseph DePauli

Ted Mazurek

Al Mieger

Automotive Lodge No. 777

2641 Members

Jessie Bunch

Mike Louis

Tony Rippetto

Dennis Schleeper

Larry Smith

Scott Stackle

Terry Sutton

Ron Wolff

District 837 Lodge “A”

2000 Members

Rick Smith

Sandra Henderson

Cheryl Mauldin

Steve Newell

District 837 Lodge “B”

1657 Members

Bert Atkins

Air Trans. Unity Lodge 949

200 Members

Production Workers Lodge 1345

2279 Members

Robert Soutier

James Dees

Glenn Donnelly

Marvin Gray

Robert Kortkamp

Lodge No. 1745 – 288 Members

Musicians No. 2-197 -1000 Members

Dick Renna

Nurses Association of MO District 2

Missouri Society for Clinical

Social Work – 12 Members

Office and Professional Employees

No. 13 – 400 Members

No. 277 – 10 Members

Plumbers and Pipefitters

No. 562 -- 1000 Members

Michael O'Mara
C. Brian Chumley
Scott Ramshaw

Sprinkler Fitters No. 268

300 Members

Police Associations

Mo. Union of Law Enforcement

No. 57 – 88 Members

Postal Workers Union

St. Louis Gateway Area Local 8

1500 Members

Roosevelt Stewart

Fred Wolfmeyer

Local 7043 – 33 Members

Professional Airways System Specialist

(PASS) Gateway Chapter, #255

43 Members

Roofers, Waterproofers & Allied Wkrs.

Roofers No. 2 – 400 Members

Seafarers International Union

300 Members

Service Employees Intl. Union

No. 1 (The MO Division)

– 4181 Members

Nancy Cross

Marcia Cline

No. 880 – 111 Members

No. 2000 – 1867 Members

Barbara Black

Sheet Metal Workers

No. 36 – 1650 Members

David Zimmermann

Kirk Eidel

Joseph Zimmermann

I.A.T.S.E.

Theatrical Stage Employees,

Moving Picture Technicians,

Artists and Allied Crafts

Studio Mechanics

No. 493 – 72 Members

**Theatrical Employees - (Ushers,
Usherettes and Ticket Takers)**

No. B-2 – 300 Members

**Theatrical Brotherhood – (Stage
Hands) No. 6** – 110 Members

Motion Picture Operators

No. 143 – 39 Members

Treasurers and Ticket Sellers

No. 774 – 71 Members

Theatrical Wardrobe Attendants

No. 805 – 22 Members

**American Federation of State,
County and Municipal Employees**

Institutional and Public

Employees

No. 410

Ervin Hupp

No. 2730 – 500 Members

United Steel Workers International

Union Gasworkers

U.S.W., No. 11-6

1072 Members

Kevin Patterson

U.S.W., No. 11-152

U.S.W., No. 11-194

273 Members

Richard Dury

Rick Mertens

U.S.W., No. 884

97 Members

Steelworkers

No. 9014 – 905 Members

Gary Reay

Wholesale Upholsterers

No. 25 – 35 Members

Awning & Tent Workers & Decorators

Decorators & Displaymen

No. 39 – 50 Members

Teachers

St. Louis Teachers

No. 420 – 1881 Members

Mary Armstrong

Gerard Burke

Byron Clemens

Lindbergh Federation

No. 2420 – 8 Members

Ritenour Federation

No. 3198

Junior College Dist. Federation

No. 3506 – 99 Members

**Wentzville Federation of School-
Related Employees,**

No. 4894 – 108 Members

Transportation Communications Union

No. 512 – 250 Members

No. 554 – 127 Members

Transit Union

No. 788 – 1500 Members

Herbert Dill
Transportation Workers of America
No. 529 – 2035 Members

Transport Workers Union
Railroad Division
No. 1647 – 10 Members

Utility Workers
No. 335 – 313 Members

**U.N.I.T.E. – Union of Needletrades,
Industrial and Textile Employees**
St. Louis District Joint Board

No. 56A – 91 Members

No. 104 – 75 Members

No. 108

No. 183 – 2 Members

No. 193T – 74 Members

No. 254C – 32 Members

No. 255 – 91 Members

No. 428 – 35 Members

No. 17/55-56 – 37 Members

No. 2568 – 76 Members

**COUNCILS, DISTRICTS,
JOINT BOARDS**

Building and Construction Trades Council
Gerald Feldhaus

Communications Workers of America
City Council

Intl. Union of Electronic, Electrical,
Salaried, Machine & Furniture
Workers, IUE/CWA, District 8-6

MO State Conference of Electrical Workers

MO State Council of Fire Fighters

St. Louis District Iron Workers
District Council of St. Louis &
Vicinity

St. Louis Union Label and
Service Trades Council
Lee Rowe

Eastern Mo. Laborers
District Council

Machinists & Aerospace Workers
District 9

Roger Poole
District Lodge No. 837

Painter's District Council No. #2
Gary Otten

St. Louis Allied Printing Trades Council

Seafarers, St. Louis Port Council
Eastern Missouri Steel Council
SEIU MO / KS State Council
Teamsters Joint Council No. 13
Fred Littrell

AUXILIARIES

Missouri State AFL-CIO Aux.
International Brotherhood of
Electrical Workers No. 1 Aux.
Graphic Communications Aux.
Allied Printing Trades Council Aux.
Auxiliary 29 to Typographical
Union No. #8

SUPPORT GROUPS

St. Louis Labor Council
Retirees Council
St. Louis Chapter, Coalition of
Black Trade Unionists
A. Philip Randolph Institute,
St. Louis Chapter (APRI)
CLUW