

St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO
Official Minutes
June 20, 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, June 20, 2006.

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

MOMENT OF SILENCE

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

ROLL CALL

Roll call of officers disclosed the following: PRESENT: Robert Soutier, John Ebeling, Mary Armstrong, Tony Ellebracht, Tom George, Chico Humes, Earline Jones, Terry Loehrer, Kevin McNatt, Tom McNeil, Michael O'Mara, Kevin Patterson, Roger Poole, Perri Pryor, Gary Reay, Mark Selby, Rick Smith, Robert Sweeney, and David Zimmermann

EXCUSED BUT RECORDED AS PRESENT: Nancy Cross, Herb Dill, Jim Dougherty, Gerald Feldhaus, Dick Renna, and Joseph Schonlau.

AFFILIATIONS

SEATING OF DELEGATES

President Soutier called Mark Woolbright, IAFF, Local #2665 and Robert K. Sweeney, IUOE, Local #2 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 May 16, 2006 meeting minutes as printed, with copies available in the rear of the room.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

President Soutier reported that the August, 15, 2006 delegate meeting is cancelled.

Soutier announced that normally the parade marshals' meeting would be held before the August delegate meeting, however since that has been cancelled the parade marshal's meeting will now be held at the Machinist's District No. 9 Hall on August 15, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. for all parade marshals. Soutier also announced that sandwiches would be served.

C.O.P.E. REPORT

President Soutier read the COPE recommendations. (included in the Executive Board minutes as read).

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

President Soutier called on First Vice President John Ebeling to read the Executive Board report as stated:

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO
Location: Machinist's District No. 9
June 15, 2006

The meeting of the St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO Executive Board was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Robert A. Soutier.

A roll call of officers disclosed the following: **Present:** Robert Soutier, John Ebeling, Bob Sweeny, Gerald Feldhaus, Tom George, Chico Humes, Kevin McNatt, Kevin Patterson, Joe Schonlau, Mark Selby, Mark Woolbright, and David Zimmerman.

Excused and recorded as present: Mary Armstrong, Nancy Cross, Herb Dill, Jim Dougherty, Tony Ellebracht, Earline Jones, Tom McNeil, Michael O'Mara, Roger Poole, Perri Pryor, Gary Reay, Dick Renna, and Rick Smith.

Also present were Clint Zweifel, IBT; Randy Kiser, AFL-CIO; John Clark, United Way; and Ed Finkelstein, Labor Tribune.

President Soutier read a resolution of support for the United Way Campaign for 2006. A motion was made, seconded and approved to endorse the resolution.

John Clark thanked the Board for the endorsement.

Soutier stated that the resolution would be read at the Delegate meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 20, 2006 at IBEW, Local #1 Hall at 7:30 p.m.

The resolution is as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: The Greater St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO, enthusiastically supports the United Way because we believe it to be the way to meet the many needs of all of our citizens in the area of health, welfare, and social services through over 200 local agencies; and

WHEREAS: There can be no doubt that the United Way possesses the talent and ability to assure the highest degree of use for the voluntary dollars collected than any other group or any other fundraising campaign because of its experience and expertise; and

WHEREAS: When the leadership of the Greater St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO, has called upon the United Way labor staff to provide assistance to union brothers and sisters, the response has been swift and extremely positive; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Greater St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO, through its Community Services Committee, endorses the 2006 United Way Campaign, “Open Your Heart,” and urges all members of organized labor to assume their community responsibilities by making their fair share contribution to the 2006 United Way Campaign.

Fraternally Submitted,

Robert A. Soutier, President

Voted on and adopted at the St. Louis Labor Council Executive Board meeting on _____, 2006, and at the Council meeting on _____, 2006.

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Clint Zweifel advised the Board about the progress the Democratic Party has made in finding good qualified candidates to run for office. Clint gave a review of potential House seats that can be won.

After a discussion about the 2nd State Senate primary, the Board voted to endorse Joe Brazil, Republican and Wayne Henke, Democrat. A motion to cancel the scheduled interviews was passed.

President Soutier read the recommendation from the interview committee in the 104th State Representative District. The recommendation was to leave the seat open, and after much discussion, the Board voted to agree.

President Soutier read the lists of Labor Club C.O.P.E. recommendations as follows:

St. Louis City Labor Club:

Collector of Revenue - City of St. Louis
License Collector – City of St. Louis
Recorder of Deeds – City of St. Louis
Clerk of the City Court – City of St. Louis
State Rep, District 57
State Rep. District 58
State Rep. District 59
State Rep, District 60

Gregory F.X. Daly
Mike McMillan
Sharon Quigley Carpenter
Mariano J. Favazza
Karla May
OPEN
Jeanette Mott Oxford
OPEN

State Rep. District 61
State Rep. District 63
State Rep. District 64
State Rep. District 65
State Rep. District 66
State Rep. District 67
State Rep. District 108

Connie (Ladoyce) Johnson
Robin Wright-Jones
Rachel Storch
Fred Kratky
Michael Vogt
Mike Daus
Thomas Albert Villa

South St. Louis County Labor Political Organization:

U.S. Senate
U.S. Representative District 3
Missouri State Rep. District 66
Missouri State Rep. District 94
Missouri State Rep. District 96
Missouri State Rep. District 100
County Executive
Prosecuting Attorney
County Council District 5

Claire McCaskill
Russ Carnahan
Mike Vogt
Jane Bogetto
Pat Yaeger
Sue Schoemehl
Charlie A. Dooley
Robert P. McCulloch
Barbara Fraser

North County Labor Club:

State Rep. District 69
State Rep. District 66
State Rep. District 65
State Rep. District 73
State Rep. District 76
State Rep. District 77
State Rep. District 78
State Rep. District 83
State Rep. District 79
State Rep. District 75
State Rep. District 70
State Rep. District 74
State Rep. District 71
State Rep. District 82
County Council District 5
County Executive
County Prosecutor
County Council District 1

Gina Walsh
Mike Vogt
Fred Kratky
Margaret Donnelly
Mike Sprang
Michael Corcoran
Clint Zweifel
Jake Zimmerman
Albert Liese
Bruce Darrough
John Bowman
Tony George
Ester Haywood
Sam Page
Barbara Fraser
Charlie A. Dooley
Robert P. McCulloch
Hazel M. Erby

Jefferson County Labor Political Committee:

State Senator District 22

Ryan McKenna

State Rep. District 90
State Rep. District 101
State Rep. District 102
State Rep. District 103
State Rep. District 104
State Rep. District 110
Jefferson Co. Presiding Commissioner
Jefferson Co. Clerk
Jefferson Co. Circuit Clerk
Jefferson Co. Recorder of Deeds
Jefferson Co. Prosecuting Attorney
Jefferson Co. Auditor
Circuit Court Division 1
Circuit Court Division 4
Circuit Court Division 5
Circuit Court Division 6
Associate Circuit Court Division 10
Associate Circuit Court Division 11
Associate Circuit Court Division 12
Associate Circuit Court Division 13
Associate Circuit Court Division 14
Associate Circuit Court Division 15

Martin “Sam” Komo
Tim Meadows
Jeff Roorda
Ron Casey
OPEN
Belinda Harris
Chuck Banks
Wes Wagner
Howard Wagner
Marlene Castle
Forrest Wegge
Dorothy Stafford
Robert G. “Bob” Wilkins
Mark T. Stoll
Lisa Page
Steve Lednick
Daniel E. James
Ray Dickhaner
Stephen D. Bouchard
Patricia Riehl
Nathan Stewart
Antonio “Tony” Manansala

Jefferson County Labor Political Committee (Committee Members Endorsements):

Arnold Township Committeeman
Arnold Township Committeewoman
Big River Township Committeeman
Big River Township Committeewoman
Central Township Committeeman
Central Township Committeeman
High Ridge Township Committeeman
High Ridge Township Committeewoman
Imperial Township Committeeman
Imperial Township Committeewoman
Joachim Township Committeeman
Joachim Township Committeewoman
Meramec Township Committeeman
Meramec Township Committeewoman
Plattin Township Committeeman
Plattin Township Committeewoman
Riverview Township Committeeman
Riverview Township Committeewoman
Rock Township Committeeman
Rock Township Committeewoman

Paul Reinheimer
Sandra Kownacki
Steve Davis
Judy Davis
Thomas Eagleton Hollingsworth
OPEN
Martin “Sam” Komo
Sandi Wilkins
Glenn Newkirk
Fran Newkirk
Wayne Stanley
Carol Shelly
Don Geatley
Halley Geatley
Ed Page
Julie Wagner
Ben De Clue
Linda Schilly
Rick Johnson
Mary Broida

Valle Township Committeeman
Valle Township Committeewoman
Windsor Township Committeeman
Windsor Township Committeewoman

Ed Polster
Peggy Bingham
Pete Nicholas
Mary Ann Nicholas

Addendum: Tri-County Legislative Labor Club:

State Rep 14th District
State Rep 15th District
State Rep 16th District
State Rep 17th District
State Rep 18th District
State Rep 19th District
Associate Circuit Judge Div #8
Associate Circuit Judge Div #11
County Council District #1
County Council District #3
County Council District #5
County Council District #7
Director of Elections
Collector of Revenue
Sheriff
State Rep 13th District
Circuit Judge Circuit #11 Div #4
Associate Circuit Judge Div #9
Associate Circuit Judge Div #12
County Executive
State Rep District #11

Doug Broste
Thomas S. Green
Steve Felder
Kenny Biermann
Joe Koester
Mike Morris
William Lohmar
Michael Schappe
Cheryl Hibbeler
Tim Schulte
Joseph McCulloch
Howard Hoskins
Ralph Tracy
Sharon Boerding
OPEN
Bob Onder
OPEN
Elizabeth Swann
Matthew Thornhill
Steve Ehlmann
OPEN

President Soutier asked the Board to endorse in the remaining State Senate races. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept as included in this report:

State Senate District 2

State Senate District 4
State Senate District 14
State Senate District 16
State Senate District 22
State Senate District 24
State Senate District 26

Joe Brazil (R)
Wayne J. Henke (D)
OPEN
Rita H. Days
Frank A. Barnitz (D)
Ryan McKenna
Joan Bray
Gene Tyler (D)

Soutier reminded the Board about the Labor Day Parade line up drawing to be held at the July Delegate meeting. Bob also asked for help in setting up barricades and with other duties that day.

Randy Kiser spoke on the minimum wage ballot initiative.

Soutier spoke on a meeting he and several other labor leaders attended with Governor Blunt.

President Soutier was asked by David Zimmerman to send a letter to the St. Louis Business Journal opposing the selection of Steve Hunter as Legislator of the year.

With nothing further to come before the Board, a motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn.

Fraternally,

Robert A. Soutier
President

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A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the June 2006 Executive Board minutes as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

President Soutier reported the BLS index at 603.5 for April 2006.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

President Soutier read a resolution for the United Way (included in the June Executive Board minutes).

Roger Poole, IAM District No. 9, spoke on the Resolution and urged support for the United Way.

GOOD AND WELFARE

Tom George, IBEW, Local #1 spoke on the new Voter ID bill.

Lee Rowe, St. Louis Union Label & Service Trades Council, spoke on the need to participate in the Label Trades' meetings.

Martin Casis, Labor 2006, spoke on the Worksite Education program.

Natalie Hampton, Victory 2006 Campaign spoke about the Senate race and asked for volunteers for Claire McCaskill.

Shannon Duffy, Newspaper Guild informed the delegates of Catholic grade school teachers and how the Church will work with some unions and not others. Duffy asked for support at a rally planned for Thursday,

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
Jim Kolve
Kevin Kujawa
No. 6350 – 421 Members
No. 6377 – 1001 Members
Earline Jones
Clara Shoals
No. 6390 – 333 Members

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

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

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
Tom Berger
John Dirksen
Matt Gober
Jacob Hummel
Nicholas Obermark

No. 2 – 600 Members
No. 4 – 408 Members
Michael Pendergast
No. 1439 – 752 Members
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

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

Food and Commercial Workers
Retail Store Employees, No. 655
13,829 Members
Jim Dougherty
David Cook
Bob Lindsley
William Swift
Nick Trupiano
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
Kenneth Truemper

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

Longshoremen
No. 1652 – 16 Members

No. 1765 – 294 Members

**Machinists & Aerospace Workers
Progressive Lodge No. 41**
817 Members
Richard A. Feldhaus
Larry Williams

Tool and Die Lodge No. 688
208 Members
Joseph DePauli
Ted Mazurek
Al Mieger

Automotive Lodge No. 777
2641 Members
Calvin Davis
Mike Louis
Dave Meinell
Tony Rippetto
Dennis Schleeper
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
Joseph Eccardt
Marvin Gray

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
 Brian Chumley
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
Sheet Metal Workers
 No. 36 – 1650 Members
 David Zimmermann
 Joseph Zimmermann
I.A.T.S.E.
Theatrical Stage Employees,
Moving Picture Technicians,
Artists and Allied Crafts
Studio Mechanics
No. 493 – 72 Members
 Gary Hansen
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
 Kris Mueller
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
 Michael Temm
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
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

Laura Moore

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

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)

Tony Hill

Coalition of Labor Union Women