

St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO
Official Minutes
February 20, 2007
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 20, 2007.

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

MOMENT OF SILENCE

There was a moment of silence to remember the passing of Harriet Woods, former Lieutenant Governor of Missouri.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

ROLL CALL

Roll call of officers disclosed the following: **Present:** Robert Soutier, John Ebeling, Jeff Aboussie, Mary Armstrong, Nancy Cross, Jim Dougherty, Tony Ellebracht, Gerald Feldhaus, Tom George, Chico Humes, Earline Jones, Pat Kellett, Kevin McNatt, Tom McNeil, Kevin Patterson, Roger Poole, Perri Pryor, Gary Reay, Gary Smith, Rick Smith and John Stiffler.

Excused and Recorded as Present: Herb Dill, Don Giljum, Joseph Schonlau, Mark Woolbright, and David Zimmermann.

AFFILIATIONS

SEATING OF DELEGATES

President Soutier called Tony Pecinovsky, St. Louis Newspaper Guild-CWA #36047, and Cynthia Warren, AFSA, Local #44 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 16, 2007 meeting minutes as printed, with copies available in the rear of the room.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

President Soutier reported on preparations for the Labor Day Parade and advised the delegates that this year we will have a theme of "Labor and Our Troops". President Soutier asked that all unions wear the same red, white and blue t-shirts. Soutier indicated that he would seek bids from vendors to print the shirts and that if any union has a printer to have them call the Labor Council office to bid on the order.

President Soutier advised the delegates of an arbitration seminar to be held on March 20, 2007 at Norwood Hills Country Club. Cost is \$50.00 per person.

President Soutier spoke on the House Bill 800, The Employee Free Choice Act.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

President Soutier called upon Vice President John Ebeling to read the Executive Board Report as follows:

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO
Location: Machinist's District No. 9
February 15, 2007

The meeting of the St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO Executive Board was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by President Robert A. Soutier.

A roll call of officers disclosed the following: **Present:** Robert Soutier, John Ebeling, Don Giljum, Jeff Aboussie, Herb Dill, Gerald Feldhaus, Tom George, Earline Jones, Kevin McNatt, Kevin Patterson, Roger Poole, Joe Schonlau, and John Stiffler.

Excused and recorded as present: Mary Armstrong, Nancy Cross, Jim Dougherty, Tony Ellebracht, Chico Humes, Pat Kellett, Tom McNeil, Perri Pryor, Gary Reay, Gary Smith, Rick Smith, Mark Woolbright and David Zimmerman.

Also present were Randy Kiser, AFL-CIO; John Clark, United Way; Ed Finkelstein, Labor Tribune; and John Reynolds, Firefighters, Local #2665.

President Soutier asked Randy Kiser to give a Power Point presentation on the 2006 elections.

Soutier spoke on the Labor Day parade and a concept of tying together the labor community and our troops for our Labor Day theme.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to seek out a vendor to print shirts for all unions in red, white and blue with the back of the shirt depicting soldiers and workers united, and the front of the shirt showing the individual unions' logos.

Soutier also said that we would try to acquire a marching band from some branch of service and will ask veterans' groups to march in the parade.

President Soutier spoke regarding a labor summit that the Council is planning in June of 2007. The purpose of this summit will be to look into the future of the labor movement and try to position us for the years to come.

The Board reviewed the proposed new rules brought forward by the committee to review labor club rules.

A motion was made to change a portion of the proposed rules and the president sent the rules back to the committee for further review.

President Soutier advised the Board of an Arbitration Seminar to be held on Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at Norwood Hills Country Club.

President Soutier reported on the AFL-CIO meetings that were held in Cleveland, OH.

The Board acted on the labor club recommendations for the April 2007 elections. They are as follows:

Tri-Co Labor Endorsed Candidates:

St. Charles County Council, District #4
Francis Howell School Board
Wentzville School Board
Orchard Farm School Board
St. Charles City School Board
St. Charles City, Ward 1
St. Charles City, Ward 2
St. Charles City, Ward 3
St. Charles City, Ward 4
St. Charles City, Ward 7
St. Charles City, Ward 8
St. Charles City, Ward 10
St. Charles City, Mayor
City of O'Fallon, Ward 3
City of O'Fallon, Ward 4
City of St. Peters, Mayor
City of St. Peters, Ward 1
City of St. Peters, Ward 2
City of St. Peters, Ward 3
City of St. Peters, Ward 4
City of St. Peters, Judge
City of Wentzville, Ward 2
City of Wentzville, Ward 3

Terry Briggs
Terry Black & Sandra Sanders
Douglas Maestas & Dale Schaper
Kenny Biermann
Bernie Weinrich
Rory Riddler
Larry Muench
Mark Brown
Mike McMurrin
Dave Beckering
Kenneth Kielty
Bob Hoepfner
John Gieseke
Peter Cantwell
Bill Hennessy
Len Pagano
Dave Thomas
Judy Bateman
Thomas Roberts, Jr.
Tim Schulte
Donald Kohl
Peggy Meyer
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City of Cottleville, Ward 2	Jim Hennessy
City of Troy, Ward 3	Joe Clarkson
City of Troy, Ward 1	Cathy Kitchen

St. Louis City Labor Legislative Club Endorsed Candidates:

President of Board of Aldermen	Jim Shrewsbury
Alderman, Ward 2	Dionne Flowers
Alderman, Ward 4	O.L. Shelton
Alderman, Ward 6	Kacie Starr Tripplett
Alderman, Ward 8	Stephen J. Conway
Alderman, Ward 10	Joseph Vollmer
Alderman, Ward 12	Fred Heitert
Alderman, Ward 14	Stephen M. Grehali
Alderman, Ward 16	Donna Baringer
Alderman, Ward 18	Terry Kennedy
Alderman, Ward 19	Marlene E. Davis
Alderman, Ward 20	Craig Schmid
Alderman, Ward 22	James "Jay" Ozier
Alderman, Ward 24	William Waterhouse
Alderman, Ward 26	H. Lee Willis
Alderman, Ward 28	Lyda Krewson

South County Labor Political Organization Endorsed Candidates:

Mehlville School District	Larry Felton
	Venki Palamand
Bayless School District	Kenneth A. Gleich
Lindbergh School District	Vic Lenz
	Richard W. Meuser
Afton School District	Scott Sifton
Kirkwood School District	OPEN
St. Louis Community College (Hancock, Affton, Kirkwood, Webster, South St. Louis/ School District)	Darrell Hemmingway

Jefferson County Labor/Political Committee Endorsed Candidates:

Arnold City Council, Ward 1	Randy Crisler
Arnold City Council, Ward 3	Phil Amato
Arnold City Council, Ward 4	Claude "Butch" Cooley
City of Herculaneum, Mayor	Gina M. Vinyard
City of Pevely, Mayor	John Knobloch
Windsor School Board	Margaret "Margie" Passmore

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Northwest School, R-1

Steve Meinberg
David Kadera
Nelson Bergfield

*More School Board endorsements next month – NEA did not complete the interviews from:

*Festus School Board

*Hillsboro School Board

Rock Township Ambulance District

Charles A. Meyers, Jr.

Antonia Fire Protection District:

Vote YES for Proposition Fire Safety

Vote YES for Proposition Pension

North County Labor Club Endorsed Candidates:

President Board of Aldermen – City of St. Louis

Alderswoman, - 6th Ward St. Louis

Mayor - City of Dellwood

Councilman Ward #1 - City of Hazelwood

Mayor – City of Florissant

Municipal Judge – City of Florissant

Florissant Fire Board (6year term)

Florissant Fire Board (2 year term)

Mid County Fire Board (6 year term)

Riverview Fire Board (6 year term)

Spanish Lake Fire Board (6 year term)

Riverview School Board (2 to be elected)

Hazelwood School Board (3 year term)

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Councilman – City of Normandy 4th Ward

Mayor – City of St. Ann

Alderman – City of St. Ann Ward #1

Alderman – City of St. Ann Ward #4

Alderman – City of Bellefontaine Neighbors Ward #4

Riverview School Board (3 year term)

Riverview School Board (3 year term)

Councilman – City of Maryland Heights

Councilmember – City of Ferguson Ward #1

James Shrewsbury

Kacie Star Triplett

Jack Agnew

Matthew Robinson

Robert Lowery

Timothy W. Kelly

OPEN

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OPEN (Four Candidates)

Pat Lawlers

Tom Scott

Steven Hollis

Mary Oswald

Joe Donahue

Carol Stroker

John A. Ebert

Tim James

Don Aldenderfer

Dan Gaeng

Audrey Hollis

Steven Hollis

Mary Oswald

Edwin Dirck

Francis Grecco

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Councilmember – City of Ferguson Ward #2	Mark Thomas Rogers
Councilman – City of Hazelwood Ward #5	Peg Lampert
Mayor – City of Jennings (4 year term)	Benjamin Sutphin
Councilman – City of Jennings Ward #1	Allan Stichnote
Councilman – City of Jennings Ward #3	Kathleen Steinlage
Councilman – City of Maryland Heights Ward #1	Don Hunt
Councilman – City of Normandy Ward #2	George Vogt
Councilman – City of Overland Ward #1	Edie Cuminale
Councilman – City of Overland Ward #2	Mary Beth Conlon
Normandy Fire Board (6 year term)	Brian Quinlisk
Mid County Fire Board (2 year term)	Veron T. Haran
Mayor – City of Bridgeton	Ferd Fetsch
Mayor – City of St. John	Lee Taylor
Alderman – Woodson Terrace Ward #2	Kevin W. Crane
Mayor – City of Bellefontaine Neighbors	Marty Rudloff

Rockwood Labor Club Endorsed Candidates:

City of Eureka - Mayor	Kevin Coffey
City of Eureka – Alderman Ward 2	Marilyn Leistner
City of Ballwin – Alderman Ward 1	James Terbrock
City of Pacific – Alderman Ward 2	Carol Johnson
City of Manchester – Alderman Ward 3	Don Ryan
Parkway School Board	Mike Beasley
Meramec Valley R-3 School Board	Mike Wells

President Soutier asked the Board to allow the Council to send out letters on behalf of the Gateway Classic Sports Foundation to affiliated unions for their upcoming boxing event with the U.S. Army boxing team.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to mail the letters.

President Soutier advised the Board of a letter sent by AFL-CIO President Sweeney asking for support for the Letter Carriers Food Drive on May 12, 2007.

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

Fraternally,

Robert A. Soutier, President

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A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the report as given.

C.O.P.E. REPORT

President Soutier read the list of endorsements for the Labor Clubs. A motion was made and seconded and approved to accept as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

President Soutier reported the BLS index at 604.5 for December 2006.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Yvette Goods, IBEW, Local #1, spoke on the great work being done by UFCW, Local #655 on the Wal Mart campaign.

GOOD AND WELFARE

Tom George, IBEW, Local #1 advised the delegates that there would be a walk for Aldermanic candidate Bill Waterhouse on Saturday.

Jake Hummel, St. Louis City Labor Club, advised the delegates about a walk for Jim Shrewsbury, President of the Board of Aldermen, on Saturday.

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

George Edwards

Cynthia Warren

Aluminum, Brick & Glass Workers

Local #169 – 308 Members

Amer. Fed. Of TV & Radio Artists

400 Members

Asbestos Workers

Local 1 – 325 Members

John Stiffler

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

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

Tony Pecinovsky

Laurie Waterhouse

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 Clark

John Dirksen

Matt Gober

Yvette Goods

Jacob Hummel

Bernie Ryan

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

Don Giljum

No. 148 – 697 Members

Hoisting Engineers No. 513

500 Members

Jeff Aboussie

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

Michael Kelley
William Swift

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

William Sullivan

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

Pamela Stepney

Longshoremen

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

Ted Mazurek

Al Mieger

Automotive Lodge No. 777

2641 Members

Calvin Davis

Mike Louis

Dave Meinell

Mike Musgrove

Tony Rippetto

Dennis Schleeper

Scott Stackle

Terry Sutton

Ron Wolff

District 837 Lodge “A”

2000 Members

Rick Smith

Ron Evola

Cheryl Mauldin

Steve Newell

Timothy Randall

District 837 Lodge “B”

1657 Members

Bert Atkins

Air Trans. Unity Lodge 949

200 Members

Production Workers Lodge 1345

2279 Members

Robert Soutier

Ellen Arbogast

James Dees

Glenn Donnelly

Joseph Eccardt

Marvin Gray

Robert Kortkamp

Roger Wampler

Lodge No. 1745 – 288 Members
 Dennis Williams

Musicians No. 2-197 -1000 Members

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
 Paul Winslow

Plumbers and Pipefitters
No. 562 -- 1000 Members
 Patrick Kellett
 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
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 Feldman
 Jason Randl

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**
 Jack Beckman

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**
 Erv Hupp
 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
 Judy Eggers
 Paul Presson

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

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
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)
Coalition of Labor Union Women