

St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO
Official Minutes
January 16, 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, January 15, 2007.

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 for Joe Blassie, Meat Cutters, Local #88

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

ROLL CALL

Roll call of officers disclosed the following: **Present:** Robert Soutier, John Ebeling, Jeff Aboussie, Mary Armstrong, Nancy Cross, Tony Ellebracht, Tom George, Don Giljum, Chico Humes, Earline Jones, Pat Kellett, Tom McNeil, Kevin Patterson, Perri Pryor, Gary Reay, Dick Renna, and Rick Smith.

Excused and Recorded as Present: Herb Dill, Jim Dougherty, Gerald Feldhaus, Kevin McNatt, Roger Poole, Joseph Schonlau, John Stiffler, Mark Woolbright, and David Zimmermann.

AFFILIATIONS

SEATING OF DELEGATES

President Soutier called Kenny Mitchell and Christopher Molitor, Fire Fighters, Local #73; Ronald Evola, Steve Newell, and Timothy Randall, IAM 837, Lodge A; John Cooper, MONA; Kaid Friedel, Janet Scott, and Gary Smith, Musicians, Local #2-197; Kevin Ryan, UFCW, Local #655; and Judy Eggers and Paul Presson, USW, Local #11-194 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 December 19, 2006 meeting minutes as printed, with copies available in the rear of the room.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

President Soutier indicate he would forgo his report due to the length of the Executive Board report.

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 January 11, 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, Nancy Cross, Herb Dill, Jim Dougherty, Tony Ellebracht, Gerald Feldhaus, Earline Jones, Gary Reay, Joe Schonlau, John Stiffler, and David Zimmerman.

Excused and recorded as present: Mary Armstrong, Tom George, Chico Humes, Pat Kellett, Tom McNeil, Kevin Patterson, Kevin McNatt, Roger Poole, Perri Pryor, Rick Smith and Mark Woolbright.

Also present was John Clark, United Way; Ed Finkelstein, Labor Tribune; and John Reynolds, Firefighters, Local #2665.

President Soutier gave the oath of office to new Board member Don Giljum, Operating Engineers, Local #148.

President Soutier opened the floor for a motion regarding the President of the St. Louis Board of Aldermen.

Board member Jerry Feldhaus, St. Louis Building and Construction Trades Council spoke on how Jim Shrewsbury has not helped on legislation they were pushing in the City, and asked the Board to leave the race open.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to leave the seat for the President of the St. Louis Board of Aldermen open.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to endorse Kacie S. Triplett for the 6th Ward Alderman in the St. Louis City primary elections.

John Clark spoke on the Community Services Conference to be held June 10-13, 2007 at the Lake of the Ozarks.

President Soutier brought up a possible spring Executive Board meeting that had been discussed last year, and indicated that we could hold the meetings after the Community Services Conference.

The Board approved the idea, and Soutier and Nancy Cross will work to set things up.

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The Board passed a motion to be sent to the Missouri AFL-CIO for the next Executive Board meeting scheduled for January 16, 2007 addressing early endorsements. The motion is as follows:

On behalf of the St. Louis Labor Council, I would like to move that the Missouri AFL-CIO refrain from endorsements for U. S. Congress, and all Missouri State-wide and General Assembly offices, prior to the closing date for filing for office; with the exception of friendly incumbents running for their same seat.

John Reynolds, Firefighters, Local #6225 advised the Board on the impact of the new minimum wage law that voters approved and how it will impact firefighters and police.

Jeff Aboussie, Hoisting Engineers, Local #513, made a motion to form a committee to review the Labor Club guidelines and meet with the clubs as soon as possible.

President Soutier appointed Pat Kellett, Plumbers and Pipefitters, Local #562; Tom George, IBEW, Local #1; Kevin McNatt, UNITE HERE, Local #74; and Jeff Aboussie, Hoisting Engineers, Local #513 to the committee to review the guidelines.

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 by Tom George, IBEW, Local #1 to exclude from the report the COPE recommendation on the St. Louis President of the Board of Aldermen.

The motion was passed by the Delegates in attendance.

President Soutier indicated that the recommendation would be taken up under new business.

After hearing the Executive Board report

C.O.P.E. REPORT

COMMUNICATIONS

President Soutier reported the BLS index at 604.6 for October 2006.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Gerard Burke, AFT, Local #420 reported that the teachers would oppose the nomination of Donayle Whitmore-Smith to a committee to deal with the St. Louis Public Schools. Burke spoke on issues facing the school system.

GOOD AND WELFARE

President Soutier advised that the Delegates raised \$370.00 for the striking members at Boemler from a "Pass-the-Hat".

Yvette Goods, IBEW, Local #1 advised the Delegates of a trailing class on mold to be held 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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December 2006

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
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
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
Kevin Kleff

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

Thomas Berger

John Dirkson

Yvette Good

Bernie Ryan

No. 2 – 600 Members

No. 4 – 408 Members

No. 1439 – 752 Members

No. 1455 – 745 Members

Elevator Constructors

No. 3 - 372 Members

Operating Engineers

No. 2 – 1000 Members

No. 148 – 697 Members

Don Giljum

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

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
Don 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
Pamela Stepney

Longshoremen

No. 1652 – 16 Members
No. 1765 – 294 Members

Machinists & Aerospace Workers

Progressive Lodge No. 41
817 Members
Stephen Branson
Richard Feldhaus
Michael Ribbert
Larry Williams

Tool and Die Lodge No. 688

208 Members

Joe DePauli
Al Mieger

Automotive Lodge No. 777

2641 Members
Calvin Davis
Dave Meinell
Mike Musgrove
Tony Rippetto
Dennis Schleeper
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
Joseph Eccardt
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
Paul Winslow

Plumbers and Pipefitters

No. 562 -- 1000 Members
Patrick Kellett
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
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
I.A.T.S.E.
Theatrical Stage Employees,
Moving Picture Technicians,
Artists and Allied Crafts
Studio Mechanics
No. 493 – 72 Members
Theatrical Employees - (Ushers,
Ushettes 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
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)
Tony Hill
Coalition of Labor Union Women