

**St. Louis Labor Council, AFL-CIO**  
**Official Minutes**  
**January 15, 2008**  
**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, 2008.

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 honor of the passing of Marty Henden of the St. Louis Cardinals Association.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call of officers disclosed the following: **Present:** Robert Soutier, John Ebeling, Donald Giljum, Mary Armstrong, Nancy Cross, Herb Dill, Jim Dougherty, Tony Ellebracht, Gerald Feldhaus, Tom George, Chico Humes, Earline Jones, Tom McNeil, Roger Poole, Gary Reay, and Gary Smith.

**Excused and Recorded as Present:** Patrick Kellett, Kevin McNatt, Perri Pryor, Joe Schonlau, Rick Smith, John Stiffler, Patrick White, Mark Woolbright and David Zimmermann.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

President Soutier called upon President Emeritus, Robert J. Kelley to give the oath of office to the new officers of the St. Louis Labor Council.

**SEATING OF DELEGATES**

President Soutier called Charles Bean, Mike Benigno, Pasquale LoPiccolo, and Andrew Orlando, all from Laborers, Local #53 to the podium and gave them the oath of office to represent their local union as Delegates to the St. Louis Labor Council.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the December 18, 2007 meeting minutes as printed. Copies of the minutes were available at the entrance of the room.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

President Soutier announced to the delegates that the regularly scheduled Executive Board meeting for January 2008 had been cancelled and therefore there was no report to be read.

President Soutier thanked the delegates for all of the support they have given to the newly elected Board.

## **COPE REPORT**

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

President Soutier reported the BLS index at 629.598 for November 2007.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Yvette Goods, IBEW, Local #1 thanked the delegates for the support they showed for the recently held coat drive.

Tony Ripetto, IAM, Lodge #777 advised the delegates of a rally in support of the striking Valley Ford workers to be held on Saturday, January 26 from 10:00 a.m. to noon and asked for all delegates and unions to attend.

Randy Kiser, AFL-CIO staff spoke on the anti-affirmative action ballot initiative. Kiser also spoke on the strike support from the AFL-CIO for Valley Ford members.

Jim Hamilton, AFT, Local #420 reminded all delegates about Monday, January 21 being Martin Luther King Day. He stressed the importance and significance of the day.

Roz Sherman Voellinger, University of Missouri spoke on the Labor Studies Program and the Labor Law Breakfast set for February 13 and the LERA Program on February 26.

Bob Kortkamp, President MO ARA spoke on the BBQ fundraiser to be held at IAM&AW, Lodge #837 UnionHall on Friday, March 28, 2008. Kortkamp also reminded the delegates of the Labor Mass to be held on the first Sunday in May at The Shrine of St. Joseph in St. Louis.

John Clark, IBEW, Local #1 announced that John Ebeling would receive a special award from the United Way.

Bill Trendley, Ironworkers, Local #396 reported on political issues.

### **GOOD AND WELFARE**

John Ebeling, CWA commented on the building of the Mary Ryder Home and how it was done with the help of organized labor.

Robert Kelley, President Emeritus, congratulated the new Board. Kelley also commented on presidential candidate issues and the need to elect Labor friendly candidates.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICES DRAWING**

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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**January 2008**

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  
Tony Pecinovsky  
Joe Pollack

**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  
Tom Berger  
John Dirksen  
Matt Gober  
Yvette Goods  
Jacob Hummel  
Nicholas Obermark

**No. 2** – 600 Members

**No. 4** – 408 Members  
Fran Dilliard  
Mike Pendergast

**No. 1439** – 752 Members  
Mark Staffne

**No. 1455** – 745 Members

**Elevator Constructors No. 3** - 372 Members

**Operating Engineers No. 148** – 697 Members  
Don Giljum

**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  
Mark Woolbright  
**No. 2677** – 21 Members

**Food and Commercial Workers Retail Store Employees, No. 655**  
13,829 Members  
Jim Dougherty  
Judy Davidson  
Levi Eddins III  
Nancy Parker

**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  
Brandon Flinn  
Rich McLaughlin  
**No. 53** – 400 Members  
Charlie Bean  
Michael Benigno  
Pat LoPiccolo  
Andy Orlando

**No. 110** – 500 Members  
**No. 660** – 225 Members  
Perri Pryor

**No. 718** – 100 Members

**Letter Carriers Branch No. 343**  
1400 Members  
Mike Chenot

Gus Frank  
Keith Gentry  
Pamela Stepney

**Longshoremen**

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

**Machinists & Aerospace Workers  
Progressive Lodge No. 41**  
817 Members

Stephen Branson  
Michael Ribbert  
Larry Williams

**Tool and Die Lodge No. 688**  
208 Members

**Automotive Lodge No. 777**  
2641 Members

Mark Connor  
Calvin Davis  
Dave Meinell  
Tony Rippetto  
Dennis Schleeper  
Terry Sutton  
Ron Wolff

**District 837 Lodge “A”**  
2000 Members

Ron Evola  
Steve Newell  
Tim Randall

**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  
Robert Kortkamp

**Lodge No. 1745** – 288 Members

**Musicians No. 2-197 -1000 Members**  
Gary Smith  
Jan Scott

**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 Pipe Fitters**  
**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  
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 Feldman  
**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**  
**No. 2730** – 500 Members  
**United Steel Workers International**  
**Union**  
**U.S.W. – Gasworkers, No. 11-6**  
1072 Members  
Pat White  
Rod Herrmann  
Michael Re’  
**U.S.W., No. 11-152**  
**U.S.W., No. 11-194**  
273 Members  
Richard Dury  
Judy Eggers  
**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  
Byron Clemens  
James Hamilton  
**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  
**Transport Workers Union 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  
Kevin Kenny  
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

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