

PROVIDENCE NEWSPAPER GUILD, AFL-CIO

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Providence Newspaper Guild

Executive Committee Meeting 12/19/07

Present: Thom Cahir, Kerry Kohring, Elaine Boyd, John Hill, Greg Smith, Del St. Jean, John Baker, Lisa Buben, Felice Freyer. Unit Council/Bargaining Committee member, Kevin Mailhot.

Minutes: On a motion by Kohring, seconded by Boyd, the minutes of the Dec. 5 meeting were accepted as amended.

Financial Report: On a motion by Smith, seconded by Cahir, the financial report for November was accepted as presented.

Financial authorizations: On a motion by Kohring, seconded by Freyer \$6,500 was allocated for the annual Providence Winter Party.

On a motion by Smith, seconded by Kohring, it was agreed to make a special \$1,000 donation to RICOSH.

On a motion by Freyer, seconded by Boyd, it was agreed to retain Thom Cahir as a part-time staff rep at the starting reporter rate for no more than 48 hours a month, subject to prior approval of hours by the administrator. Cahir Abstained.

On a motion by Smith, seconded by Kohring, it was agreed to pay educational expenses to Thom Cahir for the URI course Labor/employer disputes, upon successful completion of the course. Cahir abstained.

On a motion by Smith, seconded by Kohring it was agreed to pay out the administrator's unused vacation days (19.5) at the 2007 wage rate.

Settlements: On a motion by Kohring, seconded by Freyer, the administrator was authorized to issue a letter withdrawing the W-05-07 grievance in Worcester.

Motion and second by several, to go into executive session, to discuss Providence negotiations.

No votes were taken.

Cahir: motion to come out of executive session.

Meetings: Jan 2 and 16 for the executive board, and a membership meeting on Jan. 9.

Motion to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by Thom Cahir