

Branch Secretary: Terry O'Neill.

Branch Chair: Adrian Finney,

# Branch Minutes: Thursday 13th May 2010

<u>Attendees:</u> A Finney, T O'Neill, R Millhouse, A Malik, S Melynk, M, Cronin, J McConville, L Guven, J Booth, G Brown, John Latona, Jim McDaid, Dave Rayfield, Steve Hedley (R.O) Ash Malik

Apologies: D Pittman, C Bluett , Julia Latona, M Mujahid, A Thomson, A Carney, Julia Latona

<u>1735 hrs Meeting opens</u> (Meeting opens late due to severe delays on Central Line, one under Bethnal Green)

#### Standing Orders Suspended

Jim McDaid TFC addressed the meeting, dealing with issues surrounding the 'Operational Effectiveness Program' Stalled Train's (Communications) DISI, Train Dispatch, Remote Route Card, Customers past shunt signals, setting back, Route Secure, Platform Categorization.

JMcD explained that the TFC have not agreed and that the company could only get its way on staff reductions should they get away with these changes. AsLEF making the right noises, but not clear if they can commit to the fight. Looks like a dispute!

GB, AF,TO'N, added to the debate.

DR stated that it was impossible to allow the company the opportunity to give DMTS the right to over rule drivers on the safety of Train Stock.

SH reported on current meetings between the Unions and management. SH was sure that all front line jobs could be protected by the loss off layers of management. There are 1000 positions on LUL where wages of 100k is being paid.

A united Ballot is now been planned to stop the attack on jobs, conditions and safety.

DM asked about the lack of interest of Station staff on the Redbridge group in the current proposals on Job cuts. SH stated that he would like to attend any leafleting campaigns in the area. AF asked about the COE and the position on Bus Drivers SH was against the COE's position

JMc was not confident in Unite JB did not see any benefit in a turf war with unite.

Standing Orders Re-instated 1820hrs

Previous Minutes adopted: Prop JMc, Sec M Cronin.

1 Matters arising:

- (a) £100 to anti fascism to remain on the records pending future needs.
- (b) Leafleting completed and program extending throughout LUL

# 2. Leavers and Joiners:

- (a) MC, AF &TO'N were out recruiting, 1 new member (Jo-Anne Sullivan, Bank Group) by application form. Great Interest shown at all locations.
- (b) Leaver and Joiner reports from H.Q. 10 new members, 4 leavers, 1 Transfer out.

JB & AF raised issues with Branch Stratford members transferring to other Branches.

Action: Write to GS asking for clarification on the implications of such moves on the spheres of influence and the implications for Delegation positions and Officials who may have transferred to another area, while still holding their positions won from another area.

# 2(b) Organization, Recruitment & Retention.

TO'N,. AF MC, recruited, Bank and Bethnal Green. Further recruitment impossible due to Central Line disruption.

Action: TO'N to write to all reps asking for their attendance at the next Branch at 1500hrs for a recruitment workshop.

MC asked that the Branch consider a minimum attendance Policy for reps.

### 3 Committee Reports:

AF reported on the Regional Council's adoption of Our Branches appeal on Jill Mountford's removal from the accepted list of Candidates in the recent general Election 2010.

#### 4. Correspondences

- 1. Re: AGM Delegates, 3 correspondence's
- 2. Tolpuddle Martyrs.
- 3. AGM Appeal (Mountford)
- 4. Alabama Soul RMT song
- 5. P Sheridan's reply to an offer of Support.

#### 5. Members Cases

- 1. TO'N reported on Wayne Sparks , case going to Lawyers
- 2. S Melynk, (L Guyven) appeal yet to be done, then the branch will be addressed for assistance should the appeal fail.
- 3. T/op Hainault, Stood down
- 4. JB reported on a Passengers racist rant against Don Stephenson, and the disgusting way LUL's violence unit dealt with Don afterwards

Workplace Issues: Nil

## 7. Motions

### RESOLUTIONS TO REGIONAL COUNCIL - CONDUCT OF LONDON UNDERGROUND FUNCTIONAL / TIER 2 ELECTIONS

#### JB proposed

1. That elections for single seats on these councils be conducted by branch block vote using the Alternative Vote system (rather than first-past-the-post, as at present). Carried

2. That each branch's block vote in these elections shall be the number of members of that branch employed in the relevant function (rather than total branch membership, as at present). Carried

19.15 hrs Standing Orders extended

#### <u>8 AOB</u>

- 1. H&S safety conference been abandoned, Action: Write to all regional branches for support.
- 2. Anne Rose returning to work after child care, Action, TO'N to call Anne and ask about Training etc. Pat Halpin, Pat Wilkson may be consulted later.
- 3. Janine informed the Branch of her intentions to run for COE as member for London Region.
- <u>4.</u> DM, Cleaners HiVis same color as LUL staff. DM to re write to Peter Tollington, citing Police regulations, Dm to inform TO'N of developments.

Meeting Closed 1935 hrs

Current Branch account as of May 26<sup>th</sup> 2010 £ 1,288.48

Next Branch meeting June 10<sup>th</sup> 2010.