

National Association of Postal Supervisors

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Minutes

January 30, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by First Vice -President Reggie Hughes. The Lord's prayer and pledge of allegiance were recited. There was a quorum which included members attending virtually and those attending in person. The meal was blessed, and members in the room were able to commence eating. The October minutes were read by Secretary, Tonya Despertt. The minutes were accepted as read pending any corrections.

Roll Call of Officers:

President Marcellus Wright	Excused
1 st Vice President- Reginald Hughes	Present
2 nd Vice President – Darrell Young	Present
Secretary- Tonya Despertt	Present
Financial Secretary Theresa Bailey	Present
Treasurer Donalda Moss	Excused
Sergeant of Arms- Vincent Clark	Present
Tour 1 Representative Mary Milner	Absent
Tour 2 Representative- Waverly Vaughn	Present
Tour 3 Representative – Raynard Nowden	Present
Station & Branches Mike Alston	Present
Immediate Past President Alvin Harper	Present
Legislative Representative – Joslin Harris	Present
Good and Welfare – Kay Hunter	Present
Representative for Admin. Offices – Sekita Davis	Present

GOOD & WELFARE REPORT -- No report.

<u>IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT</u> -- No report.

FINANCIAL REPORT -- no report.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT -- no report

1st VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – no report

2ND VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - no report

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Joslin Harris reported that President Biden (before his departure) signed legislation into law that repeals Social Security's windfall elimination provision and government pension offset. This immediately impacts our retirees.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT –no report

First VP Reggie Hughes asked members that attended the Eastern Region cabinet meeting January 16th – 19th, to provide feedback. Kay Hunter shared that it was good to learn about plant logistics. Sekita Rogers-Davis stated that she enjoyed the TSP presentation. Reggie acknowledged the presentation was informative and stated that the Branch was working on obtaining the guest speaker for a Saturday branch meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

The question was raised as to where we are with the branch audit to be conducted by Brian Wagner and our taxes. The president, Marty Wright has this information.

The Constitution and Bylaws committee must finish their work of compiling the changes.

It was stated that we do not have branch records that go back further than 20 years. We must ensure that our records are updated and information can be stored for easy retrieval. Ray stated that there are many options to storing and that he could ensure the task was completed once he had the records. He can use a thumb drive, the cloud, Google and or Microsoft one. Ray is the current branch webmaster. The records that we have go back to 2015.

The concern of creating committees for the State convention was revisited. 2nd Vice – President Darrell Young stated that Branch 135 would have an executive board meeting to determine committees before the February meeting.

The 2025 Legislative Training Session will be held April 6th – April 8th. The meeting will be at the Gateway Marriott Crystal City hotel. Attendees will be going on the hill on Tuesday April 8th. Travel is local. There will be a Sunday church service. The members that will be attending are listed below:

Marty Wright	Joslin Harris
	Tonya
Darrell Young	Despertt
Reggie Hughes	Alvin Harper
Waverlye	Donalda
Vaughan	Moss

The 2025 CAASC will be held in Falls Church, VA., Thursday May 15th – Sunday May 18th, at the Fairview Marriott. Travel is local. At the October meeting twenty-nine members were deemed eligible to attend the State meeting. After identifying six of those members that did not want to attend the branch voted and settled on taking twenty-three members.

Ray Nowden suggested the branch have 2 events this year and moving forward- a crab feast and a bowling party. Ray will spearhead these endeavors and will put together a committee.

First VP Reggie Hughes informed the group that National dues had increased and that as a result branch 135 would also raise dues. As the due increase already went into effect, the branch would have to communicate the increase to our members. Our new bylaws will reflect that anytime there is a national dues increase the branch's dues will also increase. A motion was passed to increase our membership dues from \$12.00 to \$14.00 to coincide with the National increase. Tonya and Teresa were tasked with creating a letter with an explanation to send to the membership. There was some discussion regarding the associate member dues as well. These were voted on in 2023 but must be validated.

With Donalda being out of commission, the question was raised of who had access to the PO Box to retrieve branch mail. Ray and Mike are able to retrieve our mail from the PO Box.

Troy Griffin was scheduled to attend the meeting tonight to share information on NPA. We will attempt to have him attend another meeting.

Renada Keys mom passed. Yvonne previously provided information on having an online florist that we could use 24/7. Donalda Moss has information on the florist situation.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Tonya Despertt, Secretary Branch 135