

Minutes for Auto Conference, December 9, 2010

Chair: Stacey

Notetakers: Dianne, Jeanne, Stacey

Next Phone Conference-Jan 4th

Present:

Brett, 1700

Dan C, 467?

Dan T, 5960

David, 23

Dianne, 235

Greg, 23

Jeanne, 23

John, 22

Judy, 600

Martha, 869

Pam, 600

Peggy, 1112

Rene, 1112

Ron, 600

Stacey, 467

Tony, 1700

Victor, 600

Wendy, 235

1. Resolutions:

We have a number of draft resolutions that Wendy sent out. You can find one you like, take it or modify it as you feel is appropriate, and introduce in your December or January local meeting. For GM, resolutions must be into the Subcouncil by December 17 although resolutions can be submitted up to 30 days before the Bargaining Convention itself.

We will attempt to draft and send out the following additional resolutions:

- A. Consolidation of Skill Trades- Ron, Judy and Martha will draft
- B. Recoup of Loss COLA- Ron
- C. Retiree rep- David
- D. Attendance Policy-Martha
- E. Recoup of 2 week Shutdown-Peggy

All drafts should be sent to Wendy by Dec 15th so she can post Her email is Wthomp4490@aol.com.

2. International Auto Show demonstration, in front of Cobo Hall, Detroit, MI

We decided we want to have a picket across from Cobo on a Sunday afternoon because

that can maximize our attendance. We want to picket when at the beginning of the Auto Show, when it is open only for the press, so that we can talk with them and present our positive ideas about what needs to be done.

We discussed the points we wanted to make to the press, and therefore to people in the U.S. and around the world. We wanted to be in solidarity with the temporary workers in Korea, who were occupying the plant during this time period. We oppose whipsawing between plants, whether in the U.S. or abroad. We also want to fight for good, permanent jobs and understand that employers everywhere want to force workers to have more job insecurity and even further concessions. We also want to speak about the tremendous need for manufacturing in the 21st century given climate change. We want to good jobs that make what we need: mass transit and renewable energy.

Stacey introduced a list of what we needed to cover in order to be prepared for the picket. As we went through the list, people volunteered for assignments:

Marshalls-Tony, Don, Wendy

Contacting National Lawyers Guild for observers-Dianne

Being on PA System- Martha, Stacey's sister-in-law, Al

PA System-Dianne will ask Al to bring his

Press Coordinator-Dianne will direct the press to people picketing, everyone should be prepared to talk

Coordinators: Wendy, Stacey

Chant sheets-Wendy

Press Package (need press release emailed beforehand, news release that day)-Stacey, Wendy

Pass out Press Info, Leaflets (etc)-Jeanne

Contact various groups to promote Auto Show-Wendy

Sign making party-Stacey will organize one in Saginaw area; Wendy will organize one at Labor Notes

Will also need to work on leaflet and chants-We have two drafts and with our talking points we can edit.

Planning Committee for January picket: David, Dan C, Dianne, Greg, Jeanne, Martha, Stacey & Wendy. Will meet Tuesday, Dec. 14 at 7PM. Number is 641-715-3620, code is 441958#.