

Autoworker Caravan Conference Call Minutes, Dec. 12, 2011

Present on the call: Wendy, Martha, Judy, George, Dianne, Nick, Brett, Ron

CHRYSLER RATIFICATION APPEAL

Martha:

On Nov. 4 we submitted appeal about handling of skilled trades ratification vote.

Got opportunity to view IEB minutes on this question but no copy to keep.

We are still seeking:

1. IEB Minutes copy.
2. Actual vote count.
3. Administrative letter to locals re handling of trades and production ballots.
4. Written explanation of why contract has not been signed.
5. Written response to our request for the IEB Minutes.

AUTO SHOW:

Wendy: Reports on Alex's thoughts on themes for Auto Show rally:

--Autoworkers are part of the 99%.

--Better pay and benefits for everyone, end two tier.

--Solidarity with Fiat workers

Nick: Cooper tire locked workers out in Finley OH. They have set a Dec. 17 rally. Get some Steelworkers to join us at Auto Show.

Martha: In addition to solidarity with Italian Fiat workers, solidarity with Canadian Chrysler-Fiat workers: threat of pulling Chrysler out of Canada.

Martha to talk to Frank re next draft of leaflet for rally.

EVALUATION OF LABOR NOTES TROUBLEMAKERS SCHOOL

ONE MEMBER, ONE VOTE

Reporter on this item not on the call, so we are skipping it this time.

SCHOOL OF THE AMERICAS

Report on event by Martha

LABOR NOTES TROUBLE MAKERS SCHOOL: "FIGHTING APATHY" WORKSHOP FOLLOW-UP

FROM MARTHA, WHO TOOK OVER TAKING MINUTES AT THIS POINT

The next conference call is Sunday Dec. 18 7:30 PM same call in info.

Judy announced a new social justice committee of Local 600.

Nick introduced the idea of Occupy actions at plants.

Call adjourned.

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