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Western Region Vice President and Local 320 President Rudy Santos delivers opening remarks to the SAMLU.



MHBP Manager National Accounts Brad Corban discussed the state of the health plan at the SAMLU.



Local 300 Vice President Robert Blum makes a point at the microphone.



National Secretary-Treasurer Mark Gardner delivers the Financial Report to the SAMLU.



General Counsel Bruce Lerner with the Litigation Report



National CAD Director Bill Flynn delivering the CAD Report.



NPMHU National President John Hegarty fields a question from the attendees.

Corban on the status of the Mail Handlers Benefit Plan (MHBP). That report covered various topics, including a recap of activities and results from the recently concluded FEHBP open season period, a report on various service initiatives, and a preview of strategies and logistics to be pursued in the coming year.

Contract Administration Department Manager Bill Flynn then provided a full report and entertained questions and comments from various attendees on the activities of the Contract Administration Department since the last meeting of the Local Unions. The remainder of Brother Flynn's presentation was based on the written report that was circulated at the meeting (and which is being distributed on CD to all NPMHU Officers and Stewards) and included the following topics:

- Implementation of the 2006 National Agreement
- Contract Interpretation manual (CIM)
- RI-399—Jurisdictional Disputes
- New Ink Jet Printer (ILB) Cancellation System
- Cases pending national Arbitration

- Changes to ELM on Family and Medical Leave Act and Return to Duty Issues
- LDC 17: Platform Staffing Savings Initiative
- Container Towing
- Radiation Testing
- Voluntary Protection Program (VPP)
- Federal Injured Employees' Re-Employment Act (FIERA)
- Network Redesign: Consolidations or Closings of Postal Facilities
- Stations and Branches and Small Post Offices Targeted for Possible Closing
- Conversion of BMCs into Network Distribution Centers; Status of Surface Transfer Centers
- Pilot Test on Consolidation/Deconsolidation of Trailer Loads
- Subcontracting and Operational Changes at AMCs and AMFs
- Article 12 Task Force
- National Reassessment Program
- Discontinued Service Annuity and/or Severance Pay
- Quality of Work Life
- Ergonomic Risk Reduction Process

- Task Force on Discipline
- Flats Sequencing System
- Step 4 Appeals

At this point in the program, President Hegarty took the opportunity to express, on behalf of the entire assembly, his appreciation to Local 330 (Idaho) President Ernie Barnett, who has announced his pending retirement from the USPS, and the end of his many years of service to the NPMHU.

Eastern Regional Vice President D'Ambrosio took the podium to lead two discussions, first on activities related to the NPMHU/USPS joint Task Force on Discipline, followed by an update (along with Northeastern Regional Vice President Paul Hogrogian) on activities of the NPMHU/USPS Article 12 Task Force, with particular emphasis on the implementation of the Workforce Repositioning Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

As a subset of the Task Force on Discipline, Local 301 (New England states) President Tim Dwyer delivered a positive progress report on the Modified Arbitration Process (MAP) pilot program, which he helped develop and which



Local 303 Vice President Charles Burks



Local 311 President Larry Gibson



Local 305 President Kenny Hayes



Local 298 President Linda Wagman



Local 327 President Mark Addington



Local 328 President Todd Larson



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