



The Providence Federation of Musicians

RIPO Players Ratify New Contract

18 Month Duration

Pension Saved

On November 19, members of the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra voted 40 to 1 to approve a newly negotiated contract between Local 198-457 and the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra and Music School.

The negotiations began in August and had been prolonged, with a number of sticking points delaying completion of the negotiations.

In the end, players must live with the 6% pay reduction they accepted last February, until the

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2010 Budget Passes

Quarterly Meetings Approved

Members of the Local unanimously approved the 2010 budget at the annual budget meeting held on December 1, 2009.

The budget, as prepared by Secretary-Treasurer **Ed**

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Membership Meeting Tuesday, February 9 7:00 P.M.

Newport Local Closes

Providence to absorb Aguidneck Territories

After ninety-five years of operation, the Newport Musicians Association, Local 529, closed for good on December 31, 2009.

Newport President **George Zecher** announced to his membership that the Local was no longer financially viable and had to shut its doors.

The Newport Local had been struggling for the last several years with the same problems affecting all Locals -- less and less work, declining membership and increasing costs and regulatory burdens.

However, in 2009 the situation reached a crisis. The Local was unable to keep up with its financial obligations, despite the best efforts of its officers and executive board members.

After numerous meetings and an extensive review of its financial status, the Newport Executive Board reached the conclusion that there was no alternative but to close.

Initially, a merger with the Providence Local was considered. However, the AFM's New York office recommended against a merger because of the many complications involved in completing the process, including membership votes of approval by both Locals.

In the end, it was decided that Newport would surrender its charter to the AFM at the end of 2009.

On January 5, AFM President **Tom Lee** notified Local 198-457 President Artic Cabral that the International Executive Board (IEB) of the AFM approved the relinquishment of Newport's charter and the assignment of the territories formerly in the jurisdiction of the Newport Local (Newport, Middletown, Portsmouth, Jamestown, Narragansett and Block Island) to the Providence Federation of Musicians.

Members of the Newport Local will be eligible to join the Providence Local without having to pay initiation fees and without interruption of their continuous membership and seniority in the AFM.

The Providence wage scale will apply to the former Newport jurisdiction, marking a slight increase in wages over the old Newport scale.

President **Artie Cabral** of the Providence Local, himself a New-

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DUES and FEES

MEMBERSHIP DUES

<u>Annual</u>	Quarterly
\$160.00	\$40.00
\$ 95.00	\$23.75
	\$160.00

Quarterly dues MUST be paid IN ADVANCE, as follows:

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	ON or BEFORE:
FIRST QUARTER (Jan–March)	DECEMBER 31
SECOND QUARTER (April–June)	MARCH 31
THIRD QUARTER (July–September)	JUNE 30
FOURTH QUARTER (Oct.—Dec.)	SEPTEMBER 30
LATE FEES:	
1st Month (after 15th day)	\$ 5.00
2 nd Month (after 15 th day)	\$ 10.00
3 rd Month (after 15 th day)	\$ 15.00
REINSTATEMENT FEES:	
Suspension	\$ 10.00
Expulsion	\$ 50.00

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Quarter Page	\$ 45.00
Business Cards	\$ 20.00

10 % Discount for 5 issues.

(Additional design fee for ads which are not already set.)

Any notice appearing in Fanfare shall be considered an OFFICIAL NOTICE to all members, pursuant to Article V, Section 7 of the PFM By-Laws.

Notice

All engagements within the jurisdiction of the former Newport Local (529) are now covered by the Local 198-457 wage scale.

Any member soliciting or bidding on engagements in those territories (Newport, Middletown, Portsmouth, Jamestown, Narragansett, Block Island, Kingston) MUST use the PFM wage scale, NOT the Newport scale.

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end of the new contract in February, 2011. The Local had sought and won a shorter contract period than the usual three years, so that the pay cut could be renegotiated as early as possible.

However, the Local and the players committee prevailed in preserving the 6% pension contribution made by the Orchestra.

Additionally, the negotiating team was able to extract several concessions from management, including:

- Two additional excused absences for contracted players during the term of the contract;
- Relaxation of some of the restrictions on excused absences from multiple players in the same section; and,
- · Permitting consecutive leaves of absence.

The negotiating team consisted of **Chris Durham** and **Barbara Owens** of the AFM's Symphonic Services Division; Local 198-457 President **Artie Cabral**; RIPO Steward **Eliot Porter**; Orchestra Committee Chair **Ian Greitzer**; and Orchestra Committee members **Cheryl Bishkoff**, **Susan Culpo**, **Abigail Karr** and **Valerie Smalley**.

Management was represented by **David Beauchesne**, Executive Director of the RI Philharmonic Orchestra and Music School and **David Gasper**, Operations Manager of the orchestra.

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port member, welcomed all former Newport members. "It is our pleasure to welcome the many fine Newport musicians into the Providence Federation of Musicians. We look forward to a long and productive relationship," Cabral stated.

Richard Cumming

Composer-in-Residence at Trinity Square Theatre

Composer **Richard Cumming**, a lifetime member of Local 198-457, died November 25 at the age of 81.

He died at a nursing home in Indianapolis, Indiana, where he had been living recently.

Cumming grew up in China and the Philippines, and attended school in San Francisco and Colorado. His teachers included the composers Roger Sessions, Arnold Schoenberg and Ernest Bloch, with whom he developed a close musical relationship.

He came to Providence in 1965, at the invitation of Trinity Square Theatre Artistic Director Adrian Hall. He spent twenty-five years in the capacity of composer-in-residence, writing scores for over sixty musical productions.

Beyond his activities at Trinity Rep, he is renowned for his set of twenty-four virtuosic *Piano Preludes*, which he wrote for the late concert pianist John Browning.

In addition to his role at Trinity Rep, Cumming lectured on music and musical subjects at several area colleges, where he had a large and loyal following.

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Plunkett, had projected gross income of \$109,514.33 and gross expenses of \$101,569.42, leaving a net profit of \$7,944.91.

"The budget represents another step in trying get the Local's finances under control," Plunkett said.

Also approved at the meeting was a resolution to require at

Bennie Pazienza

Long-Time Treasurer Dies at 86

Bennie Pazienza, former Treasurer of Local 198-457, passed away on November 25, 2009, the day before Thanksgiving Day.

He had been in poor health for several years and had spent the last two years in a nursing facility.

Bennie was one of the longest serving officers in the history of the Local, serving as Treasurer for twenty-four years, from 1979 until 2003.

Bennie was a fine trombonist, an avid arranger and a dedicated teacher.

For many years he played in the pit orchestra at the Warwick Musical Theater. In addition, he frequently wrote charts for acts performing at the Warwick tent.

He wrote dozens of arrangements for big bands and led a rehearsal band at his home.

Many of the trombonists in the Local have fond memories of studying with Bennie and of his devotion to his students.

At his wake a brass quartet, made up of members of the Local, performed selections in his memory. At the funeral, an honor guard of members accompanied the casket. *Taps* was played by Brother **Will Mahoney**.

least one general membership meeting in each calendar quarter.

"We need more meetings to keep the members informed and active in the affairs of the Local," Vice-President Al DeAndrade commented.

The resolution passed unanimously.



JANUARY, 2010

Resolutions

The following resolutions were introduced at the Annual Budget Meeting held on December 1, 2009. They will be voted on by the membership at the next General Membership Meeting to be held on **Tuesday, February 9** at 7:00 PM at Local Headquarters.

Resolution No. 1

WHEREAS:

The Pawtucket / Central Falls Labor Council no longer exists;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Article IV, Section 2, ("Elections"), Paragraph (I) shall be amended as follows:

"(I) There shall be elected at the biennial election three (3) delegates to the Providence Central Federated Union, Three (3) delegates to the Pawtucket/
Central Falls Labor Council and three (3) delegates to the R.I. State Convention of A.F.L.-C.I.O. Alternates to all bodies shall be elected. The Executive Board shall determine expenses for attendance."

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

Article IV, Section 2, ("Elections"), Paragraph (O) shall be amended as follows:

DELETE NINTH HEADING

"Ninth Heading: Delegates to Pawtucket/Central Falls Labor Council (elect three (3))."

Submitted by:

Manny Thetonia, Chairman, By-Law Committee

Resolution No. 2

WHEREAS:

Schedule V, Class C, ("Big Bands") of the PFM Wage List has been abused by allowing nonunion musicians to perform with union members

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Schedule V, Class C ("Big Bands") of the PFM Wage List be amended as follows:

Under "Requirements":

"v. Applicable only to AFM members in good standing and engagement must take place within the jurisdiction of Local 198-457."

Submitted by:

Al DeAndrade 101 Grand View Avenue Lincoln, RI 02865-2720

Resolution No. 3

WHEREAS:

The dues for Life members has not been raised in many years, resulting in a situation where Life members are not paying their fair share of the cost of operating the Local;

AND WHEREAS:

There is a wide and unfair disparity between the dues paid by regular members and the dues paid by Life members;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Effective April 1, 2010, the annual dues for Life members shall be \$110.00 and the quarterly dues for Life members shall be \$27.50.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

Effective January 1, 2011, the annual dues for Life members shall be \$125.00 per year, and the quarterly dues for Life members shall be \$31.25;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

Effective January 1, 2012, the annual dues for Life members shall be \$140.00 per year, and the quarterly dues for Life members shall be \$35.00.

Submitted by:

Executive Board



Minutes of General Membership Meeting

Held on October 20, 2009

(Approved at Meeting of December 1, 2009)

• Call to Order: 7:07 P.M.

Roll-Call

Present -- President Artie Cabral; Secretary-Treasurer Ed Plunkett; Executive Board Member Richard Salzillo.

Excused -- Executive Board Member **John Worsley**.

Absent -- Vice-President **Al DeAndrade**.

Attendance

Eight (8) members present, constituting a quorum.

In Memoriam

Maurice "Moe" Cherlin – August 1, 2009

Anthony Politelli – August 9, 2009

Richard McGuinn – October 3, 2009

Secretary's Report

• Minutes of June 14, 2009 Meeting

S/T provides copies of the minutes of the previous General Membership meeting held on June 14, 2009. There are no questions from the floor. Board Member **Richard Salzillo** moves to accept the minutes. Brother **Carl Hosbond** seconds the motion. The motion **carries**.

Minutes of October 6, 2009, Nomination Meeting

S/T provides copies of the minutes of the Nominations Meeting held on October 6. Brother Hosbond moves to accept the minutes. Board member Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion **carries**.

Treasurer's Report

S/T states that the most recent financial statements will be published in the next *Fanfare*. Therefore, he provides an oral summary. The Local's bank balance on September 30 (end of quarter) was \$84, 872.71. For the quarter ended September 30, gross income was \$27, 828.30, gross expenses were \$29,459.88, resulting in a net **loss** of \$1,631.58.

Brother **Duke Belaire** asks for a comparison with the same period in 2008. S/T states he does not have the figures readily available, but notes that in a typical year the Local operates at a loss during the second and third quarters. Brother Belaire asks what are the underlying causes of the operating loss. S/T responds that it is primarily the result of declining membership. A discussion ensues about possible mergers with other Locals.

Committee Reports

• By-Law Committee

New Resolution – In the absence of Chairman Thetonia and other By-Law Committee members, S/T introduces a new resolution, sponsored by Board Members Salzillo and Worsley, to require quarterly membership meetings.

Pending Resolution – Pres calls for a vote on the resolution introduced at the June 14 Membership Meeting, which confirms that the S/T is a delegate to the New England Conference of AFM Locals. The resolution passes

unanimously by a hand vote and is **approved.**

Wage List Committee

Pending Resolution -- Committee Chairman Duke Belaire and Committee Member Carl Hosbond dispute the basis of the wage scale resolution for Schedule V, Class C ("Big Bands"), which was submitted by EB member John Worsley at the June 14 Membership Meeting.

Belaire notes that there is a loophole in the language that would allow the proposed scale to be used in venues outside the Local's jurisdiction.

Both Belaire and Hosbond state the consensus of the Wage Scale Committee that the existing language in the Wage List should not be changed.

Brother Hosbond notes that Paragraph 3, which the resolutions rescinds, will expire on November 1 anyway.

Pres calls for a vote. The resolution is **defeated** unanimously by a hand vote.

New Business

• Nominations Meeting and Election

Pres explains that at the Nominations meeting held on October 6, three positions were contested. VP Al DeAndrade and Brother Art Medeiros were each nominated for all three positions: Vice-President, Delegate to the AFM convention, and Alternate Delegate to the AFM convention. Pres met with both candidates subsequently to determine their intentions. The candidates reached a voluntary agreement

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Cavalcade Appreciation Dinner

November 17, 2009



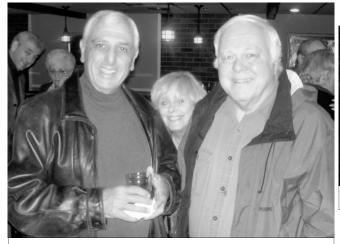
Joe Reis, Al Violette and Mario Borges share a laugh at the Cavalcade Appreciation dinner.



Duke Belaire and Buz Terry chat.



George Leonard and Bob Mainelli.



John Curzio, Terri Giviens and Dennis Pratt.



Ted Casher looks around.



Larry Perlman and Joe Holtzman.



Carl Hosbond and Mike Renzi



John Worsley and Bob Kettell.



Left: Marilyn and Manny Thetonia

October 14, 2009

• Call to Order: 12:05 P.M.

Roll-Call

Present: President Artie Cabral; Vice-President Al DeAndrade; Secretary-Treasurer Ed Plunkett; Executive Board Member Richard Salzillo; Executive Board Member John Worsley.

Secretary's Report

• September 16, 2009 Minutes

EBM Worsley moves to accept the minutes of the September 16 Executive Board Meeting. EBM Salzillo seconds. The motion to accept the minutes carries.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Benjamin Miller

Guitar

Drums

Harmonica

Organ

Vocalist

Jeff Prystowsky String Bass

Drums

Erica Schiller

Flute

Piccolo

REINSTATEMENTS

Ronald Fournier Consuelo Sherba Charles Sherba

SUSPENDED

Charles Holland Vincent Lato, Jr. Gene Rosati EXPELLED

Brendan Carniaux Odie Teken

DEATHS

Richard McGuinn

CONTRACTS

Duke Robillard Hi-Hat, 10/10/2009

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Life: 116 Regular: 272 Total: 388

EBM Worsley moves to accept the membership applications of **Benjamin Miller**, **Jeff Prystowsky**, and **Erica Schiller**. EBM Salzillo seconds. The motion carries.

VP inquires what measures will be taken in regard to suspended and expelled members. Pres states that he will notify bandleaders that they can not employ suspended or expelled members.

Treasurer's Reports

Financial Statements

S/T presents the financial statements for the month of September, as well as the Profit and Loss Statement for the entire third quarter. EBM Salzillo moves to accept the Treasurer's Report. VP seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Payment Approvals

Rose Politelli \$1,000.00 (Survivor's Benefit – Anthony Politelli) American Federation of Musicians:

Per Capita \$4,978.00 Fed. Initiation Fee

\$130.00

Fed. Work Dues \$91.32 Total \$5,199.32

Funds Transfers

Survivor's Benefit Savings to Survivor's Benefit CD

\$20,000.00

(7 month CD @ 1.7%)

Reserve Fund Savings to Reserve Fund CD \$10,000.00 (7 month CD @ 1.7%)

Health & Welfare Savings to H & W CD \$5,000.00 (7 month CD @ 1.7%)

EBM Salzillo moves to approve the Survivor's Benefit payment to **Rose Politelli**. VP seconds the motion. The motion carries.

EBM Salzillo moves to approve the Per Capita, Initiation Fee, and Work Dues payment to the AFM. VP seconds the motion. The motion carries.

EBM Worsley moves to approve the transfer of funds from savings accounts into certificates of deposit. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Work Dues

S/T reports that the annual billing for the casual work dues cap was done as of October 1,

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rather than December 31. He explains that, since there are no late charges for late work dues payments, it was easier and faster to do the billing in October rather than at the end of the year. Members will not be penal-

probably be some improvement in the Local's finances.

Communications

McGuinn Funeral

VP reports that a large crowd, including many musicians, attended the funeral of Brother **Richard McGuinn**, who died on



Dick Parent, Tom Wheeler and Artie Cabral at the Local's Christmas Party on December 8.

ized if they do not make the casual work dues payments right away. However, most members have been cooperative and have sent in their casual work dues payments.

EBM Worsley asks what would be the most effective way to gain a large increase in revenue, in order to have a significant impact on the Local's ongoing budget deficit. Several different options are discussed, but no decision is reached.

Pres relates that the officers of the Newport Local have raised the issue of a possible merger with Providence. Were a merger to occur, there would October 3. An honor guard consisting of 14 members of the Local participated in the funeral.

Committee Reports

Golf Tournament

VP presents the formal report of the committee on the Golf Tournament held on August 24. The net profit to the Local was \$2,850.00. S/T moves to accept the report of the Golf Committee. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

· Cavalcade of Bands

VP reports that ticket sales for the *Cavalcade of Bands* to be held on October 27 have been

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brisk. He expects a large turnout.

· Musicians' Appreciation Dinner

VP announces that the dinner, for all musicians who participated in either the Spring or Fall *Cavalcade of Bands* or the *Summer Dance*, will be held on November 17 at Lancellotta's Restaurant in North Providence.

Old Business

· Membership Drive

VP asks if any progress has been made on a new membership drive. Pres questions whether it is worthwhile to conduct a membership drive, inasmuch as new members have joined and paid the full initiation fees and dues. VP moves to conduct a membership drive in which initiation fees would be waived. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. After discussion, the motion is defeated.

New Business

Election

Pres reviews the results of the nomination meeting which was held on October 6. He recounts that VP AL DeAndrade and Brother Arthur Medeiros were both nominated for three positions: Vice-President, Delegate to the AFM Convention and Alternate Delegate to the AFM Convention. In order to spare the Local the expense of running an election, he met with both parties to discuss their intentions.

As a result of the meeting, each party agreed to withdraw from the contested positions:

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Arthur Medeiros withdrew his candidacy for the positions of Vice-President and Alternate Delegate to the AFM Convention. Al DeAndrade withdrew his candidacy for the position of Delegate to the AFM Convention.

Both parties submitted letters of withdrawal and signed a formal agreement stating their intentions not to compete in the election. As a result of the agreement, the election scheduled for November 22, which would have been required, has now been **cancelled**.

EBM Worsley moves to add the agreement as an addendum to the minutes of the Nomination Meeting of October 6. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Next Meeting(s)

Next General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, October 20, at 7:00 P.M.

Next Regular Executive Board Meeting on Wednesday, November 18, at 12:00 Noon.

Annual Budget Meeting on Tuesday, December 1, at 7:00 P.M.

Adjournment

EBM Worsley moves to adjourn. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries. Meeting adjourns at 1:45 PM.

November 18, 2009

Call to Order:

1:35 P.M.

Roll-Call

Present: President Artie Cabral; Vice-President Al DeAndrade; Secretary-Treasurer Ed Plunkett; Executive Board Member John Worsley.

Absent: Executive Board Member **Richard Salzillo**

Secretary's Report

• October 14, 2009 Minutes

EBM Worsley moves to accept the minutes of the October 14 Executive Board Meeting. VP seconds. The motion to accept the minutes carries.

 APPLICATIONS FOR LIFE MEMBER-SHIP

John Curzio

RESIGNATIONS
 Nikola Takov

DEATHS

Jordan "Glen Jordan" Abrams

REINSTATEMENTS

Charles Holland Alexey Shabalin

CONTRACTS

Joe Perry Project Club Hell, Providence 9/27/09

Vertical Horizon

Lupo's, Providence 10/24/09 Steve Miller Band

PPAC, 11/08/09

Duke Robillard
North Foster Baptist
Church
11/13/2009
Medeski, Martin & Wood
Lupo's, Providence,
12/04/09

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Life: 115 Regular: 271 Total: 386

EBM Worsley moves to accept the life membership application of **John Curzio** VP seconds. The motion carries.

• Treasurer's Reports

Financial Statements

S/T presents the financial statements for the month of October. EBM Worsley moves to accept the Treasurer's Report. VP seconds the motion. The motion carries.

· Payment Approvals

Dorothy McGuinn \$1,000.00 (Survivor's Benefit – Richard McGuinn)

Rhodes-on-the-Pawtuxet

Rental \$750.00 Valet \$50.00 Police \$488.00 Fire \$378.00 Sales Tax \$3.50 Less Deposit (\$250.00) TOTAL \$1,399.50

Lancellotta Restaurant \$1,271.21 (Cavalcade Appreciation Dinner)

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EBM Worsley moves to approve the payment of all three bills. VP seconds the motion. The motion carries.

• Accountant's Compilation Report – 2008

S/T presents the compilation report of the Local's finances for the year 2008, as prepared by the Local's accountant, Mr. **Joseph Calabrese**. EBM Worsley moves to mark the report as "Received." S/T seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Communications

None

Attendance was down slightly from the year before.

· Cavalcade of Bands

VP reports that revenue for the *Cavalcade of Bands* held on October 27 was \$7,230.00. Although the expenses have not been finalized yet, he expects them to total around \$2,000.00. He expects the Local to net about \$5,000.00 from the event.

Old Business

None

New Business

• Dues Increase

There is a discussion about



Tom Wheeler, Gene Milton and John Wood at the Local's Christmas party on December 8.

Committee Reports

• Cavalcade Appreciation Dinner

VP announces that 50 people attended the Cavalcade Appreciation Dinner on November 17. Everyone enjoyed the dinner.

raising dues for Life members. The consensus is to draft a resolution to raise dues for Life members by \$15.00 per year for the next three years.

· RI Philharmonic Ratification Vote

Pres announces that there will be a ratification vote of the proposed new contract by the members of the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra tomorrow evening, November 19, between rehearsals.

• Finance Committee Vacancy

VP inquires whether the vacancy on the Finance Committee, as the result of the recent death of Brother **Dick McGuinn**, has been filled. Pres replies that he has not found anyone yet to fill the vacancy.

Non-Union Players

Allmark Band --VP reminds the Board that an expelled member, Brendan Carniaux, and a non-union musician, Eugene Maslow, are still performing with the John Allmark big band on Monday nights at Bovi's in East Providence. VP wants a meeting with Brother Allmark to correct this situation. Pres says he will draft a letter to Brother Allmark to appear before the Board at its next meeting.

Abate Band -- VP presents a newspaper clipping showing Brother **Greg Abate** performing with non-union players. He asks to call Brother Abate before the Board. Pres responds that before picking on one or two members, he prefers to put a notice in the *Fanfare* to inform members that the Local will increase enforcement of the ban on non-union players during 2010.

Badessa Band -- VP asks about Brother **Vin Lato**, who is suspended, and trumpeter **Sean**

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES (CONTINUED)

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Hines, who is non-union, who are scheduled to perform with the **John Badessa** big band on November 22 at Twin River. Pres states that both have been offered the opportunity to make a partial dues payment in advance and to have the balance of the amount due taken from their pay for the job on the 22nd. So far, he is waiting for both to respond.

Resolution

VP asks for a resolution to amend Schedule V, Paragraph 2 of the Wage Scale, to require all players in big bands using the special Monday/Tuesday scale, to be AFM members in good standing. Pres asks S/T to draft a resolution and to send a copy to the members of the Wage Scale Committee.

Next Meeting(s)

Annual Budget Meeting on Tuesday, December 1, at 7:00 P.M.

Special Executive Board Meeting on Tuesday, December 1, at 5:30 P.M.

Next regular Executive Board Meeting on Wednesday, December 16, at 10:30 A.M.

Adjournment

EBM Worsley moves to adjourn. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries. Meeting adjourns at 3:05 PM.

Membership Changes

New Members

Sheryl Cohen 3 Wright Place Barrington, RI 028

Barrington, RI 02806-2631

Email:

Tel: 401-289-2263 Instruments: Flute Piccolo

Alto Flute

Ann Diamond 110 Friendly Road

Cranston, RI 02910-1303

Tel: 401-270-2772

 $Email: \ floottoot@aol.com$

Instruments: Flute
Piccolo
Alto Flute

Omar Guey

45 Longwood Ave., Apt. 506 Brookline, MA 02446-5217

Cell: 917-952-5606

Email: omarviolin@hotmail.com

Violin

Deaths

Jordan ("Glen Jordan") Abrams Richard ("DeDe") Cumming Carl King, Jr. Bennie Pazienza

Reinstated

Brendan Carniaux Alexey Shabalin

Resigned

Shoshana Dobrow Charlotte Ethier Clair Fancher John Harrison III Peter Marino Gary Sugal Nikola Takov

Address, Telephone, Email Changes

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Randy Cloutier Tel: 401-954-5655

Eileen Coyle

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Thomas Gregory 9 Ivan Ave.

Riverside, RI 02915-3715

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December 16, 2009

- Call to Order: 10:30 A.M.
- Roll-Call

Present: President Artie Cabral; Vice-President Al DeAndrade; Secretary-Treasurer Ed Plunkett; Executive Board Member Richard Salzillo; Executive Board Member John Worsley.

Secretary's Report

November 18, 2009 Minutes
 TOPM C. 1:11

EBM Salzillo moves to accept the minutes of the November 18 Executive Board Meeting. VP seconds. The motion to accept the minutes carries.

- NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS
 Ann M Diamond
 Flute, Piccolo, Alto Flute
- DEATHS

Carl S. King, Jr. Benny Pazienza Richard Cumming

- HEALTH & WELFARE APPLICATIONS
 Dennis Pratt
 Manuel Thetonia
- CONTRACTS

Dave Brubeck Quartet
Immaculate Conception
Church, Cranston
12/04/09

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Life: 113
Regular: 271
Total: 384

EBM Worsley moves to accept the membership application of **Ann Diamond** VP seconds. The motion carries. VP moves to pay the 2010 membership dues of brothers **Dennis Pratt** and **Manuel Thetonia** from the Health & Welfare Fund. EBM Worsley seconds the motion. The motion carries.

• Treasurer's Reports

Financial Statements

S/T presents the financial statements for the month of November. EBM Worsley moves to accept the Treasurer's Report. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

Payment Approvals

Rachel Abrams \$1,000.00 (Survivor's Benefit – Jordan Abrams)

Angelina Pazienza \$1,000.00 (Survivor's Benefit – Bennie Pazienza)

Joseph Calabrese

\$1,400.00 (Accounting Services – 2009)

Cozy Caterers \$448.20 (Christmas Party Catering)

EBM Worsley moves to approve the payment of all four items. EBM Salzillo seconds the motion. The motion carries.

There is a discussion of the poor attendance at the recent Christmas party. Suggestions are made about scheduling the next event at a different time, or on a later date, or not at all.

- Suspension of Regular Business
- Appearance of Gene Tournour, AFM Northeast Field Representative

Gene Tournour, AFM Northeast Field Representative, appears before the Board to discuss the situation regarding the proposed "merger" of the Providence and Newport Locals. Brother Tournour explains that their will not be an actual merger. Rather, the Newport Local will surrender its charter to the AFM. Subsequently, the International Executive Board (IEB) will assign the territory of the former Newport Local to the Providence Local.

Brother Tournour continues that all the Locals in the New England area have been notified of the change and there have been no objections. He plans to meet with the officers of the Newport Local two days hence to complete all the details. AFM President Tom Lee will then conduct a conference call meeting of the IEB to confirm the change.

EBM Worsley asks about the Newport Jazz and Folk festivals. He says that George Wein, the festival owner, has only a oneyear license to operate the festivals in Newport and is currently re-organizing his company to operate the festivals continuously. Wein has a new sponsor and is planning to produce similar festivals in other large cities. Worsley says the AFM and the Local should cooperate to put pressure on the Department of Environmental Management, which operates Fort Adams, site of the festivals, and the Newport

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MEMBERSHIP AND WORK DUES FOR THE YEAR 2010

REGULAR MEMBERS: LIFE MEMBERS:

\$160.00 \$ 95.00

ANNUAL CASUAL WORK DUES CAP: \$30.00

	ANNUAL DUES	<u>W.D. CA</u> P	<u>TOTAL</u>
REGULAR	\$160.00	\$30.00	\$190.00
LIFE	\$ 95.00	\$30.00	\$125.00

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

REGULAR members may make:

one (1) payment of \$160.00 due Dec. 31, 2009 or four (4) quarterly payments of \$40.00 each.

LIFE members may make:

one (1) payment of \$95.00 due Dec. 31, 2009 or payable in four (4) quarterly payments of \$23.75 each.

(These payments <u>DO NOT</u> include the casual work dues cap of \$30.00).

ALL MEMBERS:

2010 Annual dues payment:

First quarter dues payment:

Second quarter dues payment:

Third quarter dues payment:

Fourth quarter dues payment:

On or before Dec. 31, 2009

On or before Mar. 31, 2010

On or before June 30, 2010

On or before Sept. 30, 2010

NOTE TO ALL MEMBERS-FEES FOR LATE PAYMENT OF DUES.

If a member pays his/her dues WITHIN 15 DAYS following the published due date (see above), NO LATE FEE WILL BE REQUIRED.

LATE FEES are \$5.00 PER MONTH



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City Council, in order to exert influence on Wein. The Local may also get support from Richard Sardella, former mayor of Newport.

There is a discussion of the need for the Local to implement a contract requirement, in order to have some authority to monitor and police the acts appearing at the festivals. There is also a discussion of the "mansion scale" which the Newport Local has and the need to incorporate that scale into the Providence Wage Scale.

Regular Business Resumes

Communications
 None

Committee Reports

Cavalcade of Bands

Chairman Al DeAndrade presents the final report for the *Cavalcade of Bands* held on October 27. Gross revenue was \$7,230.00. Expenses were \$2,330.00. The net profit from the event was \$4,900.00. EBM Worsley and the other Board members extend the thanks of the Local to chairman DeAndrade for another successful event.

Old Business

Player Status

VP inquires about the recent performance of the John Badessa big band at Twin River and whether suspended member **Vincent Lato** played with the band. Pres responds that

Brother Lato did perform but was given extensions to partially pay his back dues and fines, with the understanding that the reminder would be paid from his paycheck. However, Lato has not kept his end of the agreement and remains suspended. Brother Badessa has been instructed not to hire Lato in the future unless he pays all back dues and straightens out his status.



Tony Evangelista and Ed Saccoccia at the Local's Christmas Party, held on December 8.

VP also inquires about expelled member **Brendan Carniaux** playing with the John Allmark big band on Monday nights at Bovi's. Pres says he has talked to Carniaux and expects him to send a check shortly.

EBM Salzillo says that he recently read a newspaper article about two union members, **Ira Rice** and **Joe Holtzman**, playing a job at the Warwick Mall with a non-union player, **Stan Freedman**. Pres asks Salzillo to bring in the newspaper clipping.

· Pazienza Funeral

VP reports that Brother **Tom Pasquarelli** organized a brass quintet to perform at the wake

for former Treasurer Benny Pazienza. Members of the Quintet were Pasquarelli, Dennis Martel, Tom Rotondo, Elizabeth Gates, and Lou Pezzullo.

S/T reports that an honor guard of members formed at the church, including Brothers Tom Pasquarelli, Hank Doiron, Ed Plunkett, Ciro DeLuca, Will Mahoney, and (former member) Lou DiNuccio. S/T also reports that a military trumpeter played taps at the cemetery and the echo was played by Brother Will Mahoney.

New Business

Maintenance Contract

S/T reports that Blackstone Valley Office Systems, the vendor for the Local's digital printer / copier, has proposed an alternative maintenance agreement which would save the Local \$150.00 per year. As the amount falls within the amount in the 2010 budget, which was approved at the December 1 General Membership Meeting, no motion for approval is required.

Next Meeting(s)

Next regular Executive Board Meeting on Wednesday, January 13, 2010, at 10:30 A.M.

Adjournment

EBM Worsley moves to adjourn. VP seconds the motion. The motion carries. Meeting adjourns at 12:23 P.M.



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Please fill out this form and return to the Local office if you have had any changes since the last (2009) directory was published.



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that they would not challenge each other. DeAndrade will be the candidate for Vice-President and Alternate AFM Delegate and Medeiros will be the candidate for AFM delegate.

In view of the mutual with-drawal from contested positions, Pres announces that the election, scheduled for November 22, is now cancelled.

· Recruiting and Pension

There is a general discussion on efforts and methods to recruit new members. It is suggested that recruiting efforts should emphasize the AFM pension as one of the important benefits of AFM membership.



Duke Belaire, Dick Parent, Arthur Medeiros and Lindy Duarte exchange seasons greetings at the Local's Christmas party held on December 8.

Adjournment

Brother Duke Belaire moves to adjourn. EBM Salzillo sec-

onds the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

