

# NAPS Executive Board Teleconference Minutes

Monday, September 19 @ 4:00 PM ET

Agenda September 27, 2011 Legislative Rally for HR 1351

**Participating:** Atkins, Killackey, Wagner, Walton, Ford, Roma, Cherry, Clapp, Beaudoin, Sebastian, Elizondo, Warden, Mulidore, Dumas, Ewing, Trayer, Aceves, R. Green, Aglidian, Butts, S. Green, Johnson, Wesley

**Unavailable:** Keating, Baker

The Resident Officers briefed the Executive Board on the latest information concerning the Postal Service's financial condition, USPS "White Papers" on taking over the employee retirement program and health benefits, the NAPS letter to the PMG on Sales and the OIG Report regarding PFP.

## **Louis Atkins**

Before beginning the telecom regarding the September 27, 2011 Legislative Rally for support of HR 1351, President Atkins informed the Executive Board that NAPS takes prided in the success of getting every impacted NAPS member in the latest RIF a job, who wanted one.

President Atkins also mentioned that NAPS supports President Obama's Budget Plan as it relates to the USPS, except for the President's plan that reduces mail delivery from six to five days. NAPS still contends that 6-day delivery should be the last resort, since there are other legislative options to get the monies owed the USPS due to overfunding.

## **James Killackey**

NAPS Executive Vice President stated that NAPS' State Legislative Chairs are in charge in the local organization of the upcoming September 27, 2011 Legislative Rally for HR 1351 that was initiated by the four Unions (APWU, Rural, Mailhandlers, and NALC).

Killackey reminded the Executive Board that the rally is just that -- a rally in our Congressional Districts not in Washington DC. The legislative event on September 27 is not a protest. NAPS and the Unions are looking for support of HR 1351. As for Congressional leaders who have already co-sponsored HR 1351, NAPS wants to remind its members that this is a good time to thank the Congressperson for their support. If NAPS members in the field hear the Unions calling the event a "Picket", contact NAPSHQ so that we can get the message out to those Unions to let them know of the comments being made in the field by their members.

## **Executive Board**

Ben Clapp went through the Board Roll-Call to get updates from each Executive Board member on what their status and planned activities were in their respective NAPS areas for the rally. Comments included State Legislative Chairs and branches setting up schedules at 4:00 PM at Congressional Offices and are getting petitions signed by registered voters in those Congressional Districts to submit to the Congressperson's office. It was mentioned that NAPS members not to hold signs, be professional, and keep on the message of supporting HR 1351.

Telecom adjourned at approximately 5:15 PM