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NEW POLICY REQUIRES APPROVAL BEFORE NON-MEMBERS MAY JOIN APWU

A motion was made and passed at the June Executive Board meeting that requires non-members who wish to join our Union to be authorized by a vote at the Executive Board and General Membership meetings following the request. The motion was adopted at the June GMM and is now official Local #7048 policy. Too often in the past, a long-time non-member would simply submit an 1187 when they chose to join, usually because they found themselves in trouble with their buddy bosses or they needed to take advantage of some member-only benefit such as the dental plan, retirement seminars, disability insurance, legal representation, etc. Now, re-entry into our Union will require a waiting period while the EB and GMM members in attendance discuss the merits of accepting a non-member who wishes to join the APWU.

Personally, I have always felt that is has been a privilege to belong to this fine organization that has provided me with top notch representation both locally and nationally for over 30 years. I have not always agreed with the decisions and/or direction that the APWU has chosen, but I have always felt that the salary and benefits I received were only achieved as a result of this representation. None of us, not one, would be earning what we currently get if this were a non-union company. A few people take those benefits for granted and choose to pay nothing to the APWU. Now those people will need to be accepted back, by a vote of the members who belong, in order to call themselves true members of APWU Local #7048. I am proud to serve in a local that takes such a stance.

In Solidarity,

Chuck Camp

President, APWU Local #7048