



# Mail Handlers Local Union No. 323

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## Minutes of the Local Union 323 Executive Board Meeting ST. PAUL, MN October 27, 2012

Jeff Larsen

*Local President*

Kathy Schultz

*Vice President*

Dean Abatte

*Recording Secretary*

John Frey

*Treasurer*

State Executive  
Board Members

Shane Ryden

*Minnesota*

Brock Engstrom

*North Dakota*

Branch Presidents

Dean Abatte

*Minneapolis*

Gerald LaBarre

*St. Paul*

Mike Straiton

*BMC*

Gary Tollefsrud

*Fargo*

Local President Jeff Larsen called the Executive Board to order at 12:05 p.m. Roll call was taken by Recording Secretary Dean Abatte.

### IN ATTENDANCE:

**Local President:** Jeff Larsen

**Vice President:** Kathleen Schultz

**Recording Secretary:** Dean Abatte

**Treasurer:** John Frey

**MN State Representative:** Shane Ryden

**ND State Representative:** Brock Engstrom (via phone)

### Special session to discuss the St. Paul Branch President Vacancy

Recently the Local 323 office received an unexpected resignation from St. Paul Branch President Douglas Vitek.

Due to this resignation, Local President Jeff Larsen scheduled an Executive Board meeting on October 27<sup>th</sup> 2012 per Bylaws of the National Postal Mail handlers Union Local 323 Article 10 Succession of Officers, Section 1 Resignation.

*If for any reason an Officer of this Local Union resigns from his/her position and the length of term remaining is more than one (1) year, an Executive Board meeting will be convened within 21 days to fill that position by majority vote. For length of term of less than one (1) year a phone poll may be conducted. A vacancy filled in this manner shall be for the remainder of the term.*

After discussing the options to fill the position, Local President Larsen nominated St. Paul Chief Shop Steward Gerald LaBarre. The Executive Board discussed the nomination. Local Executive Board member Dean Abatte 2<sup>nd</sup> the nomination and subsequently the nomination was put to vote.

All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously to fill the vacancy in the office of St. Paul Branch President with Gerald LaBarre.

A motion to adjourn was made by ND State Rep. Brock Engstrom and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Local Vice President Kathleen Schultz.

The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dean Abatte  
Recording Secretary Local 323  
National Postal Mail Handlers Union

cc: **Local Union Council**  
**Branch Leaders**  
**File**