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September 12, 2008

To: All Local 587 Members

From: Recording Secretary Paul J. Bachtel

Subject: Business of the Membership

At the September 2008 cycle of membership meetings the following business was addressed:

- The membership voted to pursue the grievance of John Ross to arbitration.
- The membership voted to pursue the grievance of Earl Mangold to arbitration.
- The membership approved a motion by Brian Sherlock to allocate up to \$2000.00 for airfare, hotel and per diem to send a member to the APTA conference.
- The ATU International rejected the motion passed by the membership through the August 2008 cycle of Union meetings to amend Articles III, IV, V & VI of the bylaws of Local 587 citing Section 13.6 of the ATU International Constitution and General Laws.

The following is an excerpt from the letter sent by International President Warren George rejecting the above referenced (2nd vice president) bylaw proposal.

“The officers of a L.U. shall consist of a president-business agent, vice president, recording secretary, financial secretary, and treasurer

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and an executive board composed of not less than two (2) members in addition to the executive officers (Emphasis supplied). The executive offices... shall be elected by the entire membership. Therefore, there can be only one vice president in a local elected by the entire membership...Since all the amendments submitted are premised on two vice presidents, they do comport with the ATU Constitution. Therefore, these amendments are incompatible with the ATU Constitution and are not approved. ”

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