

NAPS Branch 105 Regular Meeting #1

Thursday, February 12, 2026

Meeting Place: Santa Maria Di Prata Society, 29 Walnut Grove Ave, Cranston, RI 02920

Members Present: 16 Members total (12 Active/ 4 Associate Members)

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by our President, Shaun Branch and the Pledge of Allegiance was also led by Shaun.

Roll Call of Officers: President Shaun Branch, Vice-President Jim Bourque, Treasurer Susan Evans, Secretary Alison Peter, Legislative Rep Janet LePage~ **Present**

Executive Board Members: Dave Costa, Victor Giorgio, Joe Laviano, Karl Yetter ~**Present**

Excused~ Bob Conroy Sr., Todd Bertoncini

Vice Presidents Report: Jim Bourque stated that right now there is 1 removal. Jim also spoke about Supervisors not being properly trained, and that he was working on a Confidence Training in Providence for EAS.

Motion to accept Vice Presidents Report made by Betty Di Salvia, seconded by Joe Laviano

Secretary Report: Alison Peter gave the member count from our most recent DCO; 151 Active regular members and 12 Associate members. We also have 31 non-members listed as of 02/10/26. We currently have 6 pending applications for membership.

Motion to accept Secretary Report made by Janet LePage, seconded by Dave Costa

Treasurer Report: Susan Evans gave an end of year 2025 report. Expenses were \$22,097.27. Total assets \$64,364.75. Ending in the red \$3,967.53 (due to increase of dues being delayed by OPM). In January 2026 expenses were \$2,597.99. Reimbursing officers dues and paying for one year for the PO Box and checks. Total assets are \$63,659.14.

Motion to accept Treasurers Report made by Jim Bourque, seconded by Janet LePage.

Legislative Report: Janet LePage spoke about Privatization and went over FERS and retirement programs. She also explained that the new dispatch process (RTO) took a major hit on customer service. Mail is taking longer than usual to be delivered and customers are not happy. Janet also spoke with Bob Levi and he is hoping there will be a bigger turnout at LTS in March.

Motion to accept Legislative Report made by Dave Costa, seconded by Jim Bourque.

Shaun stated there were no first timers in attendance.

Old Business:

Betty DiSalvia reported that our new and improved Branch website will be live within a week. It looks similar to the National NAPS homepage and is more user friendly. Updates are ongoing and meeting minutes will also be available online for anyone interested.

New Business:

Dues letters for Associate Members will be sent out next week.

The Legislative Training Seminar in Arlington, VA is next month; March 15-18. NAPS delegates will meet with members of Congress and their staff on issues that will impact NAPS members and the Postal Service.

Former Branch President Jamal Salih was present. He is now the Manager of Field Safety and Health for MA-RI District. He spoke on separation disability/OWCP. He also went over the most recent Ergonomic Campaign that

just took place. Jamal stated there were 3 different types of separation; voluntary retirement, staying on compensation, and social security separation.

The National Convention is in San Francisco, CA 8/9- 8-14 nominations took place. Shaun stated that Ivan Butts will not be running for President. Chuck Mulidore and Brian Wagner will be running for President. Jimmy Warden will be running for Vice President. Bill Austin will again be running for Area Vice President. Shaun asked for members who are interested in attending: Alison Peter, Dave Costa, & Todd Bertoncini are interested. They were reminded that they will have to submit a copy of their registration form by the May meeting to be able to be part of the \$10,000 reimbursement fund.

Bill Austin will again be running the New England Convention and Training in Nashua NH, 5/28-5/31. Shaun stated that the deadline for registration is 3/1. Anyone interested should contact him.

Good and Welfare:

Bob Conroy put together a letter to go out to the 31 non-members which is being reviewed by the eboard and sent out to potential new members.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.

Motion to accept made by Betty DiSalvia, seconded by Alison Peter.

The SPAC 50/50 raised \$90. Jim Bourque won \$45.

**Reminder- Please utilize Eventbrite when signing up for the meeting so we can get accurate numbers on those attending. If you do not receive the electronic invitation just let us know so we can add you to the mailing list, Thank you!*

