



NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD SELECTED AT CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Please join us in congratulating the newly elected MCO State Executive Board!

Central committee delegates selected Board members at their meeting Wednesday in Lansing.

Here are the results:

President – Tom Tylutki (80 votes)

President – Paul Jensen, ICF (19)

Vice President – Andy Potter (unopposed)

Treasurer - Bill Henderson, SRF (unopposed)

Recording Secretary – Brent Kowitz, SMT (unopposed)

Trustee – Byron Osborn, URF (97)

Trustee – Ray Sholtz, SLF (96)

Trustee – Ed Clements, AMF (95)

Trustee – Cary Johnson, JCF (90)



MCO Director of Political and Government Affairs Jeremy Tripp swears in the new Board. From left: Tripp, Trustee Ed Clements, Trustee Byron Osborn, Trustee Ray Sholtz, Treasurer Bill Henderson, President Tom Tylutki, Trustee Scott Waggoner, Trustee Cary Johnson, Recording Secretary Brent Kowitz, and Vice President Andy Potter.

Trustee – Scott Waggoner, ARF (76)

Trustee – Stephen O’Harris, CFP (20)

Trustee – Mitchell Gainer, ECF (12)

This Board will continue the great work

the previous Board launched to engage members in a new way. Leaders are revamping our programs and asking members what they would like to see in their union. We’re hearing from officers who are enthusiastic about the military members’ work, the officer dignity campaign, the corrections PTSD awareness initiative, and more.

Information on the Board voting process was in the April 26 KYI.

Central delegates also learned about staffing changes at the MCO

Lansing office. Those details will be in next week’s KYI. Stay tuned for further details on changes at MCO!

AROUND THE STATE: ARF STAFF WEED OUT DRUGS; TOY DRONE FLIES INTO RGC

Gus Harrison staff has discovered lots of drug contraband over the last few weeks.

On Saturday, an inmate was removed from the visiting room for suspected drug smuggling. He was placed in a dry cell, where he later regurgitated a balloon containing a white, powdery substance. MSP is investigating. Another inmate was sent to seg for possible smuggling.

Three other inmates were found smoking an unknown substance, and two prisoners were found in possession of a substance that tested positive for THC.

Also on Saturday at ARF, inmate kitchen workers found maggots in their peaches. Some prisoners had already eaten. The rest of the peaches were thrown away.

Other ARF events:

4/21 – A 9-inch box cutter was found in a box of lettuce.

4/23 – Three Level II prisoners smoking unknown substance. Prisoners placed

in segregation for substance abuse.

4/24 – Level II prisoner placed in seg for smoking unknown substance.

4/29 – Four Level IV prisoner fight in food service.

A Brooks officer was punched in the face and side of the head April 29.

The officer told a prisoner to remove his jacket, and when he didn’t comply, the CO initiated a shake down. The prisoner started punching the officer. Two COs responded. The assault happened in a Level II housing unit.


The facility has gradually transitioned to a rule disallowing jackets in housing units due to contraband concerns, an officer said. This inmate had received a ticket for failing to remove his jacket on another occasion two days prior to the assault.

A toy drone was found lying in the grass inside the RGC perimeter April

26. The toy is called a Heli Ball. It can fly and hover.

The incident was treated like a drone discovery. The RGC siren was blown, and the ERT responded. The perimeter was searched, but no one was found. The PSV was placed on constant rounds. Michigan State Police are investigating.

Staff responded quickly and did an excellent job. This situation shows how quickly technology and prison security threats are changing.



**IN MEMORIAM:
ED MILLS**

Former ICF Chapter President Ed Mills passed away April 26.

Mills retired from MDOC in 2002. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. May 6 at Maranatha Assembly of God Church, 927 E. North St. in Lansing. Rest in peace, Officer Mills.