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Maintenance Craft Report February 9, 2017

The following is a brief synopsis of what has been happening in the Maintenance Craft of the Central Florida Area Local since our last Membership Meeting:

- Our constant battle against subcontracting is paying off! We recently received old grievance resolves from Step 3 awarding a total of approximately 10,000 dollars for past violations.
- I recently settled a series of grievances at step 2 which award 1,800 dollars for the improper subcontracting of forklift repairs at the Seminole FL P&DC.
- We are still pursuing a violation that took place this past August concerning the subcontracting out of A/C repairs at the Seminole FL P&DC.
- Out in the Orlando stations we've successfully negotiated the upgrade of multiple part time jobs to full time status. These positions are vital to our Local because they help secure our work and guarantee hours for our workers to support their families.
- After various talks with management we've agreed to add a brand new full time
 custodian position to the Orlando stations. Anytime we can make a new job out of
 nothing that is a huge deal for our craft as management are always trying to cut our
 staffing.
- I'm fighting a 14-days suspension for one of our members who was accidentally hurt while working on removing a jam from his machine. I'm confident that we will prevail in this case but I want to remind everyone to be very careful while working on or around equipment. Not only is your safety of upmost importance but it is also a discipline issue because management's first response to any accident is to discipline the parties involved.
- I'd also like to remind everyone to visit our Local website at CFAL1462.org where you will find up to date information about what is happening in our area. We have started a new thing where President Joe Paul is putting out video updates to keep everyone informed and it is a great resource for our members!

That concludes my update for this meeting but remember to check our Maintenance page on the Locals website for regular information concerning our craft.

In Solidarity,

Benjamin Love Maintenance Craft Director