

# The Local Line

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## Election Results

The ballots for the 2014 NWIAL election were counted on 4-25-14. The candidates are listed in ballot order with the winner in bold type.

### President

**Jackie Engelhart 654**  
Daniel Gatto 103  
Mary Corner 206

### Vice President

**Walter Elerby 489**  
Dave Baskin 338  
Royace Atkins 15  
Dan Mulligan 122

### Secretary

**Linda Duncan Retel 638**  
Conny Smith 287

### Treasurer

**Al Modi 661**  
Janice Alexander-Scott 290

### 600 Clerk Craft

Jacque E. Jackson 120

**Olivia Norman 200**

### 601 Clerk Craft

**Calvin Taylor 270**

Lindsey Jefferson Jr. 56

### Associate Office

**Kathy Stokes**

(Unopposed)

### Maintenance Craft

**Joe Golden**

(Unopposed)

### MVS Craft Director

Sameer Eassa 22

**Nigel Thomas 80**

### Chief Trustee

**Ray Wience**

(unopposed)

## Results continued...

### Clerk Trustee

**Sue Rodriguez**

(unopposed)

### Maintenance/MVS

#### Trustee

Joe Najjar 214

**Michael Kelly 683**

Congratulations to the winners and those who were unopposed. Thanks to Chairperson Doreene Motley and Election Committee members Dennis Cattenhead, Arlene Thomas-Benford, and John Rogers. They did an excellent job and worked many hours on their own time to make this election happen. The American Arbitration Association printed, mailed, and counted the ballots on 4-25-14.

While all of the current officers were elected but the Vice President we take from this election that there are things we can do better and we will. We need to work harder to get management to post bids whether that's by negotiation or by filing grievances is up to management. We will fight to get bids posted. I thank all who voted for me and pledge to serve to the best of my ability. I look forward to working with all elected officers.

## Staples Protests...

On 4-24-14 we protested at Staples in Schaumburg and Hillside. Unfortunately most other Locals and most of our members did not bother to participate. The national day of action was an effort to call attention to the deal between Staples and the Postal Service to transfer Retail work and jobs from postal employees to Staples employees who make less \$. Our national President is an activist and he thinks he can get postal workers to show up when needed but very few showed up. We had about 30 people in Schaumburg and maybe a few more in Hillside. We also had about ten people from a group called "Communities and Postal Workers United" who heard about the protest and picketed with us. These were non-postal workers who showed up to carry a picket sign while APWU members did not bother to come. Saving the Postal Service depends on getting public support for maintaining it as a public service against the forces of privatization. The last big postal strike was in 1970 so today's postal workers have never had to walk a picket line.

Jackie Engelhart  
President  
Dave Baskin  
Vice President  
Walter Elerby Jr.  
News Director

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