



Metropolitan Washington Council, AFL-CIO

DELEGATE MEETING MINUTES

December 19, 2016

Meeting called to order by President Jeter at 6:35pm

Board Members in Attendance: Briscoe, Carson, Clay, Flood, Griffin, Jeter, Richardson

New Delegates Sworn In: Katrina Clark, DCNA and John Gaines, ATU 689

Minutes: Minutes of the November 21, 2016 meeting were moved, seconded and approved.

Financial Report: It was moved, seconded and received with the proviso that the negative receivables would be clarified by the accountants.

Special Order of Business: President Jeter requested, and it was approved, to allow Saul Schnidman, AFSCME 2910, to lead the delegates in labor holiday songs, with all joining in for a festive note to the meeting.

Executive Board Report:

The Board approved \$1000 to Jews United for Justice which conducted calls to the DC City Council in support of the paid leave bill.

The Board also approved the following award nominations for Evening With Labor 2017:

CSA Award: Jim Griffin, IBEW 1900

COPE Award: MD- Herb Harris, BLET; DC- Dyana Forester

Golden Picket: CWA locals 2107, 2108, 2222, 2300, 2336 (Verizon strike mobilization)

Organizing Award: AFSCME 1959

Outstanding Ally: Jews United for Justice
JC Turner Award to be considered at the January meeting.

After discussion by the Delegate body, the above actions were moved, seconded and approved.

Reports of Staff

Community Services Agency: Executive Director McKirchy reminded the delegates about the Annual Bowling for Gold tournament coming up on January 29, 2017, with flyers at the back of the room. She also updated on the Holiday Basket Project indicating that about 35 families are being helped, and that contributions are still welcome.

Union Cities

Recent/upcoming actions: Jackie Jeter (ATU 689) reported on the Town Halls ATU 689 is planning in January to help develop a "People's Budget" for WMATA.

Other events are coming up around the upcoming inauguration, including the women's march and another one by Sharpton's National Action and a big schools demo coming up in mid-January.

2017 Labor-Media Breakfast: Scheduled for Friday, Feb 3, 8:20a in the AFL-CIO President's Room; sign-up will be sent around soon.

2017 DC LaborFest: planning now underway.

2016 Union Cities Highlights

Verizon strike: massive region-wide mobilization and strike support by the local and national labor movement, as well as by allies

Ongoing support for affiliate's contract bargaining struggles; one major example was UFCW 400's talks at Giant and Safeway

DC LaborFest: 16th annual DC Labor FilmFest and 3rd annual DC LaborFest featured over 70 events throughout the month of May; well-attended and this year we did a series of simulcasts live from Busboys and Poets on WPFW.

Annual Metro Council Directory with latest info on Council affiliates

2nd annual DC Labor 411 consumer guide.

Union City won its 5th 1st-place award in the annual awards competition held by the International Labor Communicators Association

Union City's database grew to 33,500 members, thanks to sign-ups at LaborFest, strikes and other events

COPE

Legislative/Political Coordinator David Dzidzienyo updated delegates on the Paid sick leave and family leave bills. He asked Herb Harris, BLET/IBT, to report on the Rail Safety bill, who reported that the City Council's general counsel had gotten involved in a negative way but that he is optimistic that the bill will pass in its original form. .

Executive Director Report- ED Carlos Jimenez went through a power point highlighting priorities of the Council as we look to moving into the new year. Discussion ensued.

President's Report- President Jeter reported on the first week of the national training she is participating in, and indicated it has been productive to date. She also updated the delegates on January town hall meetings regarding metro funding and will ensure that details will be passed on for Union City.



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Robin Burns (DCNA), reported that negotiations are proceeding at Howard University Hospital and thanked the Labor Council for its help with the prevention of reductions in the number of school nurses at DCPS.

Ian Stublarec, OPEIU 2, asked for an update on inauguration activities and events that labor will be participating in. It was indicated that the AFL-CIO has not yet publicized its events and this information will be available in Union City as soon as the labor council has it.

Allison Burkett, UNITE HERE 23, reported that their local is already gearing up for inaugural protests.

Ed Malaga, AFM 161-710, also indicated that they are mobilizing for protest activities, and asked about further support needed for the USWA president who was being denigrated by Trump. It was indicated that most activity around this have been completed but information could be found on older editions of Union City.

Chuck Clay, IATSE 22, reported that they now have a Memorandum of Agreement with the Kennedy Center providing 8% increases over 4 years, and also announced that he was re-elected as president of the local.

Ann Hoffman, NWU, announced that Virginia Diamond is the newly-elected president of the Northern Virginia Area Labor Federation and will take over January 1, 2017 from retiring president Dan Duncan.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:06pm.

50-50 raffle winner, Mark Sexton, IUOE 99, donated his \$48 winnings to CSA.

*Respectfully submitted,
Dena Briscoe, Secretary*

Delegate Attendance

Frank Barile	Local 99
Dena Briscoe	APWU, Nation's Capital and Southern MD
Allison Burket	Unite Here 23
Margie Burns	
Melvin Cherry	IBEW 26
Chuck Clay	IATSE 22
Michael Flood	AFSCME 2921
James Griffin	IBEW 1900
Walter Harrigan	PLUMBERS 5
Herbert Harris	BLET Division 482 / IBT
Korey Hartwich	NNU
Ann Hoffman	NWU/UAW 1981
Charles Hottinger	IAFF 36
Jackie Jeter	ATU 689
Roland Jeter	ATU 689
Gwend Johnson	CBTU DC Chapter
Ed Malaga	AFM 161-710
Richard Murphy	IBEW 26
Elaine Newman	NCAUR
David Richardson	AFGE 12
Saul Schniderman	AFSCME 2910
Mark Sexton	IUOE 99
Ian Stublarec	OPEIU 2
Gregory Warner	IBEW 26