**Metropolitan Washington Council, AFL-CIO**

**Executive Board Meeting**

**September 17, 2018**

4:13P: Meeting called to order

Roll Call of Officers
Present: Carson, Davis, Desmond, Fields, Greenhill, Griffin, Harris, Jeter, Reed, Richardson
Excused: Bunn, Clay, Collins, Contreras, Dyer, Havard, Renne

Agenda approved

Minutes (June): Griffin was excused. Approved with that correction.

Correspondence
It was moved, seconded and approved to make the following recommendations to the Delegate Meeting for contributions:
Insulators 24 10-Aug Snyder Memorial Golf Outing: $200.00
Central MD CLC 2-Sep Labor Day ad: $100.00
Baltimore CLC Comm Services 9-Oct Golf fundraiser: $250.00
Jews United for Justice 11-Nov Heschel Awards: $1,000.00
DC Labor Chorus 1-Dec 20th Anniversary Concert: $400.00
Working Families Labor Project: $250.00
DC Jobs with Justice 15-Nov "I'll Be There" awards: $1,000.00
Total: $3,200.00

Financial Report
- Audit report: CPA Mary Margaret Prange reviewed Calibre’s report on the Metro Washington Council’s financial status; “No big red flags to report.” In the statement of financial position she noted a net assets increase of $130K from 2016 to 2017. She also reviewed the Council’s financial statement, which is a “clean” and healthy draft report.
- Withum representatives Teya Bruce and Joel Sesko reviewed the August 31 financial reports, which reflect a “very strong” nearly $200K increase in assets over 2017. A number of questions were raised about specific income and expenses -- concerns about being sure that things are being allocated correctly -- and Sesko promised to get details back to the Board. Moved, seconded and approved to table the report pending answers on the questions raised. Moved, seconded and approved to accept the audit.

President’s Report
Pres. Jeter reported that due to the office move over the summer -- which was accomplished successfully -- the administrative staff hiring was postponed. Larry Greenhill (IBEW 26) appointed to DC Workforce Investment Board. Jo Combs has been working with affiliates to make sure all are up to date on per capita payments. Need to discuss Executive Director position, also Michael Flood’s position on Board will be opening up (he took job with AFGE); also, Dena Briscoe (APWU) will be stepping down from the Recording Secretary position. Transportation Committee met last week, more planned in November and December.

Committee Reports
Transportation: Herb Harris (BLET) reported on the 9/11 meeting, which featured info on the TransSTEM Academy, the latest in a series of presentations this year. Harris recommended that the MWC become a partner organization so that labor’s voice is in the mix with the corporations who are already at the table.

Dan Fields (SEIU 722): Healthcare committee hasn’t met and currently has no plans to meet.

Liz Davis (WTU 6): Education committee has a first draft of a white paper and hasn’t met since then but will soon.

Evening with Labor 2019; Doris Reed (ASASP) reported that the 2019 EWL has been set for March 2 at a new location, Martin’s Crosswinds in Greenbelt, at a significantly lower cost and with free parking and a nearby hotel for those who need it. Also discussing shifting the emphasis to be more on labor and less on politicians; including thoughts of putting the awardees at the head table and no more complimentary tickets for the politicians (who many feel should also purchase their own tables). Also, award nominations will be opened up earlier than usual to get the broadest possible input. Doris also raised the question again of whether it’s time to re-name the J.C. Turner award to make it more relevant to the modern labor movement. President Jeter suggested adding Jos’ name to the organizing award, since that was a big focus of his.

Board Member Reports
Providence Hospital: Carl Carson (1199 NUHHCE/AFSCME) reported on the ongoing campaign to save Providence Hospital; his union organized workers there (NNU and 1199 NUHHCE/AFSCME already there) and earlier this year in the middle of contract negotiations they announced that it’s closing. “Devastating” to the community and to the workers at the hospital. Call-In Day set for September 25; councilmember phone numbers and email addresses will be made available from 1199 NUHHCE/AFSCME via Carl and/or David Dzidzienyo.

COPE/Political and Legislative Campaigns
Moved, seconded and approved to endorse Elissa Silverman in the At-Large DC City Council race.

Community Services Agency: Executive Director Sonte DuCote reported that the 20th cohort has graduated and all have jobs lined up; plus a number of small grants to CSA have been approved. Call to action on United Way campaign has been sent out; please commit to outreach to your worksites.

6:30P: Adjourned