METRO WASHINGTON COUNCIL AFL-CIO

Executive Board Minutes February 18, 2020

3:22p Executive Board meeting called to order.

Minutes (January): D Briscoe. Liz Davis, Gina Walton all present at January meeting; moved (Richardson), seconded (Farenthold); approved to accept the minutes.

Evening With Labor: Chair George Farenthold reviewed the report and asked Board members to step up with ads and tickets. Turner Award recommendation for both Bunn and Contreras. Discussion ensued. Question about the criteria for the organizing award (Liz Davis). Request for criteria for all awards be re-circulated. Moved (Farenthold), seconded (Briscoe) to accept recommendation of the committee. Unanimously accepted.

Financial reports (Jan 2020): Financial Secretary Bunn reviewed. Motion to adopt (Farenthold), seconded (Havard); approved.

Bunn circulated the proposed 2020 budget. Staff was then asked to leave the room (3:45p)

Discussion ensued on staff raises; George Farenthold made motion to accept proposed salary budget for 2020; seconded by Dave Richardson. Eric Bunn stated that he did not approve Chris Garlock sending a letter about which unions were delinquent in their per cap payments

4:33 Staff invited back in.

Union City

Coordinator Chris Garlock asked for reports:

Dyanna Forester (UFCW 400): Safeway/Giant; pensions are a huge sticking point in negotiations. If things don't get better, we'll be on strike next week.

Don Havard (IUOE 99): Dyncorp and Safeway/Collington report. Dyncorp "came running back 2 days after our strike vote" and Local 99 hopes to approve a new contract very soon.

Community Services Agency

Executive Director Sonte DuCote reported on this year's bowling tourney, thanked everyone for their support.

Labor Night at the Nats coming up 7/24 against the Atlanta Braves.

Graduated class that's part of DOL training program that includes a younger cohort than we normally work with.

Annual appeal for Emergency Assistance Fund has gone out, please respond with your 2020 contribution.

Previewed what's coming down the pike for 2020; working on some branding for CSA, including a new logo.

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Legislative Director David Stephen reviewed his report, highlighting the Norman antiunion amendment and Bill 23-531 in DC City Council; warned that the Mayor has been fighting this Act vigorously. Also, the Feb 3 Candidate Education Forum was a big success. Finally, reviewed the draft 2020 DC City Council candidate questionnaire. Board members expressed their enthusiasm for the Forum and the streamlined questionnaire; discussion ensued. Moved (Farenthold), seconded (Clay) to approved the questionnaire; unanimously approved.

Re Congressional endorsements: no formal process due to short process; discussion Friday re the four districts, 3, 4, 5 and 8 (Trone did not submit a questionnaire) and DC. Recc is Norton in DC, and all incumbents in the other districts. Moved (Bunn), seconded (Davis) to recc to State AFL-CIO. Discussion: Bunn noted that Raskin is now in one of his AFGE locals. Approved unanimously.

Board reports: None

Moved, seconded and approved to adjourn at 5:10pm Submitted by Cynthia Collins, Recording Secretary