

# Delegate's Meeting Minutes

*DRAFT: for approval*

Metropolitan Washington Council, AFL-CIO

October 16, 2006

Meeting called to order at 6:34P

Roll Call

New Delegate: Hevily Ambriz Espinoza, IFPTE Local 70.

Minutes: September minutes

## Delegate Attendance

Allen, Fred GCIU 538-C  
Buchanan, Avis AFGE 2782  
Cernak, Louis IUOE 99  
Clay, I. Chuck IATSE 22  
Cusick, John AFM 161-710  
Ehrmann, Rick NEWSPAPER GUILD 35  
Eitches, Eddie AFGE 476  
Fields, Jr, Daniel SEIU 722  
Freeland, Ronald LABORERS 657  
Hershfield, David AFGE 12  
Hoffman, Ann NWU/UAW 2  
Horgan, Joseph OPEIU 2  
Newman, Elaine L. NCAUR  
Page, John IATSE 22  
Reed, Doris ASASP  
Reed, Carnell SEIU 400 PG  
Richardson, David AFGE 12  
Schneiderman, Saul AFSCME 2910  
Scott, Randolph IBEW 26  
Sexton, Mark IUOE 99  
Shields, John Washington Bldg Trades  
Starin, Eric OPEIU 2  
Stern, Edward AFGE 12  
Warrick, Gerald LABORERS 657  
Webb, Thomas AFGE 3615

approved as distributed.

Financial Reports: September report received.

Correspondence:

- Executive Board recommends 5 tickets to breakfast at MD Legislative Black Caucus weekend (\$125 ea; total \$625).

Executive Board Report:

President Williams reported that the Executive Board recommends delegates approve Executive Board to make final recommendation on endorsements not already acted on, including DC At-Large and School Board.

Community Services Agency

- Golf Tourney Monday; 108 golfers signed up, room for more.  
- Bowling Tournament coming up January 28, 2007  
- No Thanksgiving baskets but there will be Holiday baskets in December

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MD: Craig Simpson reported on area Labor 2006 activities, where multiple walks & phonebanks are being run; see website for complete and most up-to-date list

DC: Rick Powell reported on DC Labor 2006 activities, explaining that there are still some key races in play and labor's efforts are still key.

Union Cities

- Newspaper Guild Local 35

pickets Catholic News Service Wednesday over issue of CNS demand for unilateral control over pension fund (Rick Ehrmann).  
- FilmFest report; best-attended yet, distributed FilmFest Guide. Already working on plans for 2007.

REPORTS:

Ed Stern, AFGE 12: June department ruling went into effect 10/2 regarding informing union members about their rights. Not well-publicized and some unions may be out of compliance.

Saul Schneiderman, AF-SCME Council 26, reported on October 5 win for maintenance workers at Architect of the Capitol; vote was 50-21. Also having a problem with Library of Congress management, which is unleashing all sorts of attacks, including harassment of workers and the union over official "lost" time and other relatively minor issues.

Eric Starin, OPEIU 2: won cardcheck for workers at Kaiser Permanente.

Chuck Clay, IATSE 22: reported that Cirque du Soleil is establishing a site in DC at the old Convention Center site (which is now a parking lot) for their upcoming DC tour – they've previously been in VA – and appear to be

set to use non-union workers. Called on Council to pressure politicians to prevail on Cirque du Soleil to use IATSE 22. Asked whether there's a PLA at the Gaylord project in Prince George's County, as well.

*Moved, Seconded and Approved to Adjourn 7:18P*