

# Delegate's Meeting Minutes DRAFT FOR APPROVAL

### Metropolitan Washington Council, AFL-CIO

Meeting called to order at 6:36P

New delegates sworn in: Milo Chaffee, Sheetmetal Workers Local 100; Clifton Savoy, Jr, Sheetmetal Workers 100.

President Williams noted that the Delegates Meeting would be abbreviated and immediately followed by a reception for former CSA staffer Jackie Barnes.

October Minutes: Approved as distributed.

October Financial Report: Received.

Correspondence

### Delegate Attendance

### Others in Attendance:

Allen, Fred GCIU 538-C Clay, Chuck IATSE 22 Dugan, Dan, IAFF 35 Ehrmann, Rick NEWSPAPER **GUILD 35** Ferrufino, Ruben Dario Laborers 657 Frederick, Anthony LABORERS 657 Freeland, Ronald Laborers Greenhill, Larry IBEW 26 Hoffman, Ann NWU/UAW 19812 Ingerick, Jessica OPEIU Jeter, Jackie ATU 689 Jeter, Roland ATU 689 Lichter, Jaclyn SEIU 500 Lozupone, Jerry Washington **Building Trades** WBCTC Newman, Elaine L. NCAUR Pullium, Mark B. MAILERS 29 Renne, Gino UFCW/MCGEO 1994 Reyes, Victor LABORERS 657 Richardson, David AFGE 12 Scott, Randolph IBEW 26 Starin, Eric OPEIU 2 Warrick, Gerald Laborers 657 Webb, Thomas AFGE 3615

- Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton's Annual Holiday Party for needy kids; \$500 recommended.
- Charles County Commissioner Reuben Collins 11/29 fundraiser; \$105 approved
- MD State Comptroller Peter Franchot 60th Birthday Party Fundraiser; received.
- PG County Councilmember Eric Olsen 1st-year celebration 12/4 at Plato's Diner in College park; \$250 approved
- MLK Jr DC Support Group Annual Benefit Luncheon and Fashion Show 1/21/08 at Martin's Crosswinds; \$250 approved.
- DC ACORN 11/10 23rd annual Dinner Celebration; \$150 approved.

## **Community Services Agency**

Kathleen McKirchy reported:
- Bowling Tournament set for January 27; fundraiser for Emergency Assistance Fund. Many teams — including the Laborers and Teamsters — have already formed teams.

- Emergency Fund: was empty last month but has been replenished, thanks to a \$7,500 check from ATU Local 689.
- United Way/Combined Federal Campaign time: please help get the word out about CSA. This is especially important this year, since the CFC changed CSA's designation number.

Holiday Basket Project: now underway; need contributions of money and food, as well as names of needy families from locals.

### **Union Cities**

Chris Garlock reported:
- NLRB demo coming up November 15; spread the word!

#### **COPE**

Rick Powell reported: - DC schools update: ongoing push by Mayor and CSD Chancellor to make Central Office employees at-will. Although these workers are not union members, this poses a threat to all workers. Dwight Bowman, AFGE District 14, agreed, saying that "labor does have a dog in this fight; the 900 workers affected may not be union but they're workers and we're next." - PG Coalition of Unions East Campus Project: a develop-

- ment project of the University of Maryland to build a hotel, grocery store and resident housing for faculty and students. A number of unions including, UFCW 400, Mid-Atlantic Joint Board of UNITE HERE, the Building Trades and AFSCME union among others are working with P.G. County Council Member, Eric Olsen and State Senator Jim Rosapepe to get the project built and operated union.
- National Harbor: The first meeting of the Community/ Labor Partnership met last Thursday evening to plan for the opening of National Harbor in April of 2008 by working together to identify 200 county residents to be hired

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and trained by Gaylord Entertainment, the company that owns a 2000 room hotel. The next meeting will be Wednesday, December 12, 2007 at 6:30 PM at the Indian Queen School in Fort Washington, MD.

### Reports

- Rick Ehrmann, Newspaper Guild 35/CWA, gave update on NLRB ruling supporting Guild challenge to Washington Post forcing workers to appear on Post Radio (now defunct).
- Chuck Clay, IATSE 22, reported that the Lincoln Theatre has denied voluntary recognition to the workers there who want to join a union.
- Eric Starin, OPEIU Local 2: second round of layoffs is expected at WMATA, plus another round next July.
- Eamon Clifford, IUOE 99; reported on winning a contract for engineers at the Ritz-Carlton. First time Ritz-Carlton workers anywhere in the country have won a contract.
- Jobs with Justice: Mackenzie Baris thanked locals and delegates for their support at the previous week's successful annual DC JWJ fundraiser. Introduced Ruth Castel-Branco, new JWJ organbizer.
- Gino Renne, UFCW 1994 reported that Minority Coalition efforts by UFCW 1994 were recognized at the annual gathering of locals around the country.

Adjourned 7:03P 50/50 raffle won by Dwight Bowman, AFGE District 14