



Delegate Meeting Minutes

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Metropolitan Washington Council, AFL-CIO

November 15, 2010

Acting Chair Fred Allen welcomed delegates to the meeting, explaining that President Williams was out of town on business and called the meeting to order at 6:38P.

Minutes: October delegates minutes approved as distributed, with the correction that Fred Allen was in attendance.

Financial Report: Tabled to December meeting, due to Board not meeting in November

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Community Services Agency

Kathleen McKirchy reported:
- United Way annual football schedules available
- 2011 Bowling Tournament set for January 30 at Crofton; already 4 teams registered
- Holiday Baskets: best ways to help: contributions, food drive, gift cards or adopt a family

Union Cities

Chris Garlock reported:
- AFM/Washington Ballet: Local President John Cusick reported on the local's recent picketing and Action Alert around the issue of the Ballet using "canned" music instead of a live orchestra at both Romeo and Juliet and The Nutcracker. Over 500 emails sent in and also getting good coverage in the media as well. Thanked the Council for its

support and the local will keep delegates updated on progress of campaign.

- NNU/Washington Hospital Center update: Geri Lee reported on her recent arbitration hearing on her firing after the snow emergency, which she said went very well and hopes for a positive ruling soon. Also updated on all the recent actions, including affiliating with NNU, picketing the new Med-Star facility, marching on the boss last week, accompanied by President Williams and Rev. Hagler, and planning a 1-day strike November 24. Urged delegates to turn out to show their support.
- DC Jobs with Justice Scrooge of the Year contest: Ruth Castel-Branco reported that nominations close tomorrow and then voting commences.

COPE

- DC Mayoral transition nominations: Alya Solomon reported briefly on trying to get good labor people on the transition team; discussion followed.
- Maryland Report: Rick Powell reported: P.G. Appreciation Event planned for Election Union Volunteers at UFCW Local 400, date TBA in early December; Tri-County, labor ally Sue Kullen (Maryland House of Delegates) lost; regular COPE meetings continue; Montgomery County ongoing budget issues based on the failure of the Question A ballot question regarding recouping payment for ambu-

lance service from insurers.

Affiliate Reports

- DC Coalition of Black Trade Unionists: Gwend Johnson reported on CBTU's recent meeting to discuss 2011 plans; stay tuned for more details, especially about programs in February and March; 12/11 annual shoebox gift-wrapping reception set at CWA headquarters starting at 10:30A.
- Elaine Newman, NCAUR: Paycheck Fairness Act; very important effort underway to get lame duck Congress to pass, as there's no chance it'll pass in new Congress.

Meeting Adjourned 7:20P

Delegate Attendance

Donna Brockington (CLUW, Metro DC Chapter)
Avis Buchanan (AFGE 2782)
Barbara Childs (AFSA 4)
John Cusick (AFM 161-710)
Jo Freeman (NWU/UAW 1981 2)
Harry Geety (IUOE 99)
Larry Greenhill (IBEW 26)
David Hershfield (AFGE Council 1 12)
Jessica Ingerick (OPEIU 277)
Gwend Johnson (CBTU DC Chapter)
William Linehan (IUEC 10)
Elaine Newman (NCAUR)
David Richardson (AFGE)
Jimmy Tarlau (CWA District 2)

Excused:

Vance Ayres (WBCTC)
John Boardman (UNITE HERE 25)

Dwight Bowman (AFGE District 14)

Linda Bridges (OPEIU 2)
Dena Briscoe (APWU, Nation's Capital and Southern MD Local)
Jaime Contreras (SEIU 32BJ)
Merle Cuttitta (SEIU 500)
Dan Dyer (OPEIU 2)
Sandra Falwell (DCNA)
Mark Federici (UFCW 400)
Anthony Frederick (Laborers 657)
Riley Gaines (IBEW 26)
Anthony Garland (ATU 689)
Carl Goldman (AFSCME Council 26)
Chuck Graham (IBEW 26)
Geo Johnson (AFSCME Council 20)
Faith Jones (AFSCME 2250)
Michael Murphy (IUOE 99)
George Parker (WTU 6)
Thomas Ratliff (Teamsters 639)
Carnell Reed (SEIU 400 PG)
Doris Reed (ASASP)
Gino Renne (UFCW 1994 MCGEO)