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Local 2627
District Council 37
AFSCME AFL-CIO
Virtual General Membership Meeting
March 16, 2021

Minutes

Treasurers Report

Presidents Report

Old / New Business

President Morand called the meeting to order at 6:25P.M. There was a quorum. Due to the virtual check in process the meeting started a little later than expected.

Minutes

Brother Chambers a motion to accept the January 19, 2021 minutes. Brother Kalpesh Patel seconded. A vote was taken. The minutes with corrections were approved.

Treasurers Report

Sister Leibowitz (HPD) made a motion to accept the Treasurers reports. Brother Villegas (CUNY) seconded. Brother Kellam reported November 2020 – January 2021, including the End of Year report. Brother Kellan made a motion to start with the End of Year 2020 and to waive the reading of the November and December reports. This eliminates duplicate reading. Billie Jeramie seconded the motion. A vote was taken on Brother Kellam’s motion and the motion passed for the reporting of the Year End and not reading the November and December reports. There was no discussion for the Treasurers reports. A vote was taken, and the motion was passed.

Brother Kellan reported on the Budget, highlighting the major sections. There was a 3% increase in the major sections. Some of the highlights were the pending \$35,000 possible IRS debt. All the IRS paperwork has been submitted. Hopefully this will be resolved by the end of this year. The Education reimbursement is budgeted at \$45,000 a year. Members will be reimbursed on a first come first serve basis until the budgeted amount is reached. Once it is reached there will be no more reimbursements for that year. Due to the pandemic, no reimbursement checks were sent out after March 2020. The members who submitted for reimbursement in 2020 will be reimbursed in 2021. The money that is left over from 2020 was moved into the 2021 budget and the reimbursement for 2020 will be stopped once the budget limit is met. The budget amount for 2021 is still \$45,000. There was discussion. Sister Lewis made the motion to accept the budget. Brother Kalpesh Patel seconded. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Special Presentation – Rank Choice Voting

Due to time restrictions Nicole Yearwood made her presentation in the middle of the Treasurers report. She reported on Rank Choice Voting and why it would be important. She shared a presentation with the membership. In addition, she provided a link for the members to click on. <https://app.rankvote.co/elections/3298/Most-Influential-NYC-Woman--Past---Present-/3292/Vote>

40 Presidents Report

41 Early Retirement Incentive – DC37 is asking members to send letters to the NYS Legislators to
 42 get this passed. There may be an issue due to the City receiving the stimulus money. You can
 43 find the information on the DC37 website. There was discussion. A member from the
 44 Comptroller’s Office stated that an Agency was pre-registering people for NYCERS who were
 45 able to or close to retirement. The member was informed to forward the information to the
 46 division.

47 The White-Collar Division is now called Parks, Cultural and Higher Education Division. Please
 48 see below for the full list. David Boyd is the Director dboyd@dc37.net. Chandler Henderson -
 49 CHenderson@dc37.net 212.815.1024; Dan McCabe dmccabe@dc37.net 646.946.9057;
 50 Amena Black - ablack@dc37.net 646.946.9054; Natasha Isma - 917.838.6805 (cell) and
 51 212.815.1972 (office). For the contact information of your rep you can call the Division at
 52 212.815.1060 division. The secretary will direct you to the appropriate rep.

Rep - Council / Grievance	Agency
Amena Black- Council Rep	Campaign Finance Board (CFB)
Amena Black- Council Rep	City Planning Commission (CPC)
Amena Black- Council Rep	Comptroller Office
Amena Black- Council Rep	Cultural Affairs Administration
Amena Black- Council Rep	Dept. of Buildings (DOB)
Amena Black- Council Rep	Dept. of Citywide Admin. Services (DCAS)
Amena Black- Council Rep	Dept. of Design & Construction (DDC)
Amena Black- Council Rep	Dept. of Finance (DOF)
Amena Black- Council Rep	Dept. of Youth & Community Development (DYCD)
Amena Black- Council Rep	NYC Dept. of Consumer Affairs (DCA)
Amena Black- Council Rep	School Construction Authority (SCA)
Amena Black- Council Rep	Small Business Services (SBS)
Norlita DeTaza - Council Rep	CUNY Colleges (ALL COLLEGES)
Norlita DeTaza - Council Rep	Teachers Retirement System (TRS)
Norlita DeTaza - Council Rep	NYC Employees' Retirement System (NYCERS)
Norlita DeTaza - Council Rep	Financial Information Services Agency (FISA)
Norlita DeTaza - Council Rep	Dept. of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)
Norlita DeTaza - Council Rep	Office of Payroll Admin. (OPA)
Chandler Henderson - Council Rep	Campaign Finance Board (CFB)
Chandler Henderson - Council Rep	Dept. of Probation (DOP)
Chandler Henderson - Council Rep	Dept. of Correction (DOC)
Chandler Henderson - Council Rep	Dept. of Environmental Protection (DEP)
Chandler Henderson - Council Rep	Dept. of Transportation (DOT)
Chandler Henderson - Council Rep	Housing Prevention & Development (HPD)
Chandler Henderson - Council Rep	NYC Dept. of Sanitation (DSNY)
Chandler Henderson - Council Rep	Dept. of Parks & Recs (DPR)

Natasha Isma - Grievance Rep	Dept. of Education (DOE)
Natasha Isma - Grievance Rep	ALL HEALTH & HOSPITALS
Natasha Isma - Grievance Rep	DOITT
Natasha Isma - Grievance Rep	NYC Transit Authority
Natasha Isma - Grievance Rep	METROPLUS
Yolanda Johnson - Council Rep	Admin. of Children Services (ACS)
Yolanda Johnson - Council Rep	Human Resource Admin. (HRA) Dept. of Social Services (DSS)
Yolanda Johnson - Council Rep	NY Police Dept. (NYPD)
Yolanda Johnson - Council Rep	Police Pension Fund
Yolanda Johnson - Council Rep	Dept. of Homeless Services (DHS)
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	Actuary
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	Board of Corrections
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	Board of Ethics
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB)
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	DA's Office (BX, KNKS, QNS, RCHMND COUNITES) SPCL NARCOTICS STAFF
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	Dept. of Investigation (DOI)
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	Law Department
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	NY Fire Dept. (FDNY)
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	NYC Housing Authority (NYCHA)
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	NYC Commission on Human Rights (CCHR)
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	Organized Crime
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	Office of Admin. Trails & Hearings (OATH)
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	Office of Emergency Management (OEM)
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	Tax Commission
Daniel McCabe- Council Rep	Taxi & Limo Commission (TLC)

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54 All DC37 Members qualify to receive the Covid-19 vaccine. Call Laura. It is also available to the
55 family of FDNY members. It is not known if it is available to the families of other agencies.

56 There are no layoffs until 1/2022 due to the Federal stimulus.

57 CUNY Budget – The Governor is releasing 20% of the money which puts CUNY in a better
58 position.

59 There is a telework bill in Albany. Bill numbers are A457 and S5536. The Union is fighting for a
60 permanent telework bill, so members can work from home with no issues.

61 The City is pushing to bring members back to work in May now that vaccines are available.
62 Members are encouraged to contact the Local. The Local will have Safety and Health do the
63 walk through. There was discussion regarding reasonable accommodation for members taking
64 care of elderly or immune compromised members.

65 There is a proposed bill to give aide to essential workers (\$1,000) for working during the
66 pandemic. President Morand will give more information when she has it.

67 President Morand took questions from the members. There was discussion.

68 There is a Civil Service Exam open now for Certified IT Applications. Prep Class next Thursday,
69 the 25th. The ED Fund is trying to get an instructor. If they are not successful President Morand
70 will teach the class. The title is open from March 10th to the 30th

71 CUNY being sued for not having CS Exams for the members. No exams in 11 years. The
72 lawsuit has been filed last Monday.

73 **Old Business – None**

74 **New Business – None**

75 Sister Leibowitz made a motion to adjourn. Brother Chowdhury seconded. A vote was taken,
76 and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 pm.