

DC-37 LOCAL 1359 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

March 8, 2011

PRESENT: See sign-in sheet.

A quorum was present.

President, Dennis Ifill called to order Local 1359 General Membership Meeting on March 8, 2011 at 6:00pm, Gertz Plaza, 6th floor cafeteria.

A motion was made to accept February 8, 2011 General Membership Minutes by Cheryl Fraser and seconded by Stacey Payton. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report for February 28, 2011 by Stacey Payton and seconded by Cheryl Fraser. The motion was unanimously approved.

President Ifill handed over the meeting to DC 37 Professional Representative, Phyllis Streeter. Ms. Streeter read the requirements and duties of the Officers, Executive Board, Delegates and Office Representatives as outlined in the Constitution, Article VIII, Sections 1 - 9. Thereafter, the election committee was introduced. The election committee members are: Viola Laidlaw, Chair Person, Barbara Stewart, Michelle Ransom, Sonia Worrell, Yuklin Guevara and Debra Merrill.

The nominations were conducted by the Chairperson, Viola Laidlaw.

Nominations for Local 1359 Officers are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Executive Board Title Series Representatives: Clerical Representative, Housing & Community Renewal Specialist, 3 delegates to DC 37, 1 delegate to AFL-CIO, 1 Gertz Office Representative, Rent Examiner and Professional Representatives.

Nominations

A nominee has seven (7) days to respond to the committee letters.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Nominated by</u>	<u>Comments</u>
President	Dennis Ifill	John Lafferty	unopposed
Vice President	John Lafferty	Shanomae Wiltshire	accepted
	Darryl Adams	Stacey Payton	accepted
Secretary	Stacey Payton	Tamara Kitt	accepted
	Michelle Chapman	Cheryl Fraser	accepted
Treasurer	Alexander Thomas	Shanomae Wiltshire	accepted
	Mushtaq Ali	Cheryl Fraser	accepted
Rent Examiner	Kehinde Aregbe	Shanomae Wiltshire	declined
	Emanuel Setlow	Jannice Blake	declined
	Yvonne Greenridge Stewart	M. Chapman	accepted
Housing Comm. Renewal Specialist	Helen Fang	Stacey Payton	accepted
	Stacey Payton	Faye Eagle	accepted

Rent Inspector	Elizabeth Marzan	Awokunle	unopposed
Clerical Rep.	Tamara Kitt	Cheryl Fraser	unopposed
Prof. Rep.	Charmaine McArthur Robert Harris	Laurence Ramer Charmaine McArthur	accepted declined
Gertz Office Rep.	Yvonne Greenidge-Stewart Mark Tepper Judy Glassman	Shanomae Wiltshire Awokunle Tamara Kitt	declined unopposed declined
3 Delegates to DC 37	Mark Tepper Shanomae Wiltshire Amhed Ali Tamara Kitt John Lafferty Mushtaq Ali Cheryl Fraser Keenon Roberts Carl Foster	Robert Koller Alexander Thomas Helen Fang Stacey Payton Dennis Ifill Darryl Adams Michelle Chapman Cheryl Fraser George Nnochiri	accepted accepted accepted accepted accepted accepted declined accepted accepted

The elected person with the lowest votes will have to step-down once the membership is below 300 members. Voting for elected officers will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 from 9:00am to 3:00pm. The election committee will conduct the voting. The Elected Officers will be announced and sworn in at the General Membership meeting on Tuesday, May 10, 2011. Ms. Laidlaw, Committee Chairperson handed the meeting to President Ifill.

The final presentation by members of Winston Financial Services, Inc. on "Voluntary Insurance Programs" was successful.

AFSCME Lobby Day on March 1, 2011 was successful. The following members attended: President Ifill, Shanomae Wiltshire, Cheryl Fraser, Michelle Chapman, Tamara Kitt, Yvonne Stewart, Cheryl King, John Lafferty, Viola Laidlaw, Helena Wright (senior program) and Yvonne Stewart's mother-in-law.

Local 1359 Executive Board has approved \$336.00 for the JP Morgan Chase Corporate Road Runners.

Local 1359 Executive Board has approved \$500.00 for the Wisconsin Council 11 members.

Local 1407 will be celebrating its 60th anniversary at Russo-on-the-Bay, March 24, 2011, two (2) tickets were purchased and a quarter (1/4) page journal.

The collective bargain contract expires April 1, 2011. Any suggestions you would like to be added to the contract, submit it to President Ifill, Vice President Adams and Secretary Ms. Chapman.

Various hand-outs were distributed to members. Members are encouraged to read the hand-outs.
DC 37 Treasurer workshop - see hand-out for more information
AFSCME Battleground Campaign - all members are encouraged to attend.

DC 37 Lobby Day, Tuesday, May 3rd, 2011, buses depart from DC 37 from 6:00 am. All members are encouraged to attend.

DC 37 Black History Family Day postpone to June 4, 2011

DC 37 Education Committee presents and Evening of Jazz, Rhythm & Blues, May, 19, 2011

The reports from the AFL-CIO convention and Black & Puerto Rico Caucus were submitted. These reports can be obtained from Local 1359 website.

Motion to adjourn made by Stacey Payton and seconded by Cheryl Fraser.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

M. Chapman
Secretary
DC 37 Local 1359