

DC-37 LOCAL 1359 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES March 9, 2010

PRESENT: See sign-in sheet.

A quorum was present.

President, Dennis Ifill called to order Local 1359 General Membership Meeting on March 9, 2010 at 6:00pm at Gertz Plaza, 6th floor cafeteria.

A motion was made to accept February 9, 2010 General Membership Minutes by Laurence Ramer and seconded by Mushtaq Ali. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report for February 2010 and March 2010 by Cheryl Fraser and seconded by Laurence Ramer. The motion was unanimously approved.

Guillernina Mejia, DC 37 Safety & Health Representative, gave a presentation on "Work Place Violence". Please see hand-out for more information.

Vice President Adams will chair the Safety & Health Committee.

Local 1359 Holiday Party:

- (a) Corrections - The price per plate at Floral Terrace will be \$75.00 instead of \$70.00.
- (b) A motion was made by President Ifill for \$1,000.00 to be deposited to Floral Terrace for reservations and seconded by Ram Malik. The motion was unanimously approved.

AFSCME 2010 Convention - The election of names to attend the convention is deferred for next General Membership April 2010 Meeting; the Agendas for the Convention were not included in the notices. Members must be present to accept nominations.

Treasurer's Workshop started on March 6, 2010 and four (4) Local 1359 members attended: President Ifill, Mushtaq Ali, Alexander Thomas and John Lafferty.

Rent Examiners Promotional Series Announced: They are Housing Community Rent Specialist I Trainee and Housing Community Rent Specialist II Trainee. However, the exams are not scheduled.

Haiti & Chile Earthquake Relief - Lillian Roberts, Executive Director of DC 37 requested a donation for the earthquake relief.

A motion was made by President Ifill for \$1,000.00 to be donated.

A motion was made by Laurence Ramer for \$1,500.00 to be donated.

13 people voted for \$1,500

18 people voted for \$1,000

A motion was made by President Ifill for the contribution to be evenly divided - \$500.00 for Haiti and \$500.00 for Chile seconded by Alrita Philips. The motion was unanimously approved.

Black & Puerto Rican Caucus report was deferred for the April 2010 General Membership meeting. Stacey Payton, a delegate attended the Caucus and presented her report.

Moment of silence for DC 37 Local 1359 member, Doris Lane.

The following hand-outs are:

Beginning Clerical Exam

Advocacy Lobby Day on 3/16/2010 in Albany

Caribbean Heritage Celebrations for Women's History Month will be held at DC 37

DC 37 Education Committee celebration will be held on May 13, 2010

Members are encouraged to call and support Local 924

Lesbian & Gay Committee meeting

New Business:

Due to low water pressure, the water filters are not working properly.

A motion to adjourn was made by Cheryl Fraser and seconded by Mushtaq Ali. The motion was unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.

Michelle Chapman
Secretary, DC-37 Local 1359