

# DC-37 LOCAL 1359 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES – MAY 12, 2009

PRESENT: See Sign-in Sheet.

A quorum was present.

President Ifill called to order the General Membership Meeting of May 14, 2009 at 6pm in the 6<sup>th</sup> floor cafeteria at Gertz Plaza.

A motion to accept the General Membership Meeting minutes of April , 2009 was made by Mark Thompson and seconded by Martha Greene. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion to accept the April's amended Treasurer's Report was made by Tamara Kitt and seconded by Laurence Ramer. The motion was unanimously approved.

There are 2 improper practice charges being filed on behalf of the local: 1 against Governor Paterson which was filed by Dana Kline and the second charge was filed by Erica Gray Nelson for proposing to charge a fee for promotional exams.

CLE COURSE: the first round of the CLE course was completed and the seconded round will be completed on May 8, 2009. Over 40 members attended.

On April 30, 2009 there was a Rally at the Governor's New York office, which was attended by local 1359 members and DC-37. The rally was a great success.

LOBBY DAY: in Albany was a success. Members of the Executive Board and the General Membership attended lobby day. Senate Majority Leader Malcolm Smith along with Governor Paterson spoke at Lobby Day. Governor Paterson spoke on Vacancy Decentral.

Governor Paterson spoke about one of the things that the unions were trying to get him to do to decrease the number of layoffs which will happen in three stages, anyone making over \$300,000.00 their tax cap will go up. Anyone making \$500,00.00 their tax cap will increase and anyone making over 1 million dollars their tax cap will also go up.

The Governor has suspended purchase of all bottled water for state agencies.

AFL-CIO CONVENTION: will take place from June 4 to June 6, 2009 at the Clarion Hotel in Albany, N.Y. at a cost of \$50.00 non-refundable registration fee and \$84.00 + tax, per night hotel cost. The local is allowed to send 2 members and 1 alternate.

President Ifill made a motion to allocate \$500.00 per person for the AFL-CIO convention in Albany, N.Y. All monies spent are subject to receipts. A motion to send 3 members to the convention was made by President Ifill and seconded by Stacey Payton. The motion was unanimously approved.

Members nominated are: Darryl Adams, John Lafferty, Tamara Kitt, Helen Fang and Stacey Payton. A vote was taken.

Darryl Adams - 19    John Lafferty - 16    Tamara Kitt - 11    Helen Fang - 17    Stacey Payton - 14.

The delegation will consist of President Ifill, Darryl Adams and Helen Fang.

Robert Harris gave a presentation on a furlow program for the unions.

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

Meeting adjourned 7:15pm.

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CHARMAINE HARDAWAY  
Secretary  
Local 1359