



**Local 1211 Executive Board Meeting
March 12, 2015**

I. Call to Order

J. Braglia called the Executive Board meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present:

J. Braglia; R Carroll; S. Forpe; B. Gust-Farrell; R. Izzo; R. Jarecki; R Kuechenberg; A. Lee; S. Lilley; M. McIntyre; D. Moravak; R. Polly; R. Riggio; A. Spizzirri R. Walser; G. Wilson

Absent:

A. Bosslet; M. Castello; M. Dowd; R. Erickson; D. Fivelson; S. Garcia; E. Jacobsen; F. Kernats; P. Krzankowski; D. Osenberg; W. Scully

III. Special Order of Business - None

IV. COPE

A C.O.P.E. meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

A. Upcoming Political Event & Contribution Schedule:

- Palatine Area Chamber of Commerce Panel Discussion with State Senator Matt Murphy, State Rep Tom Morrison and Cook County Commissioner Gregg Goslin; Tuesday March 31, 7:30-9:00; Twin Lakes Club House, Palatine, \$15 per Person (J. Braglia and F. Kernats are to attend)

Total of \$30.00

B. Community Liaison Reports

Motion: B. Walser moved to approve the expenditures; S. Lilley seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

Adjournment

Motion: S. Forpe moved to adjourn the C.O.P.E. meeting; R. Polly seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

The C.O.P.E. meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

V. Council Reports

A. District 211 Council -- There is much anxiety across the district after the initial rounds of tallies.

B. United Support Staff Council (USSC) -- none

C. Therapists in Education Council (TIE) D-15 - none

D. Itasca Support Staff Union Council (ISSU) D-10 - The district hired a new Superintendent. They have three board positions open for election.

E. Retiree's Council – The 2015 Retiree Breakfast will be next September.

VI. Organizing – S. Forpe

We had an organizing meeting today for Food Services employees. We had more people from different buildings.

VII. Officers' Reports

A. Secretary's Report – A. Lee

1. Approval of Minutes: Copies of the February 26, 2015 Executive Board meeting minutes were distributed for review.
2. Professional Development: There are opportunities for training. If you are interested, please let me know.
 - i. 2015 Great Lakes Union Leadership at Lake Lawn Resort, Delavan, WI June 22-26
 - ii. Labor Arbitrator Best Practices Webinar: March 26 @ 2 pm
 - iii. Introduction to Labor Arbitration Advocacy: April 24 @ 8:30 – 5:00 pm
 - iv. AFL-CIO Next Up Young Worker Summit: March 19-22 in Chicago

B. Treasurer's Report – G. Wilson

1. Treasurer's Report: Copies of the February Treasurer's Report were distributed for review.
2. Council Audits: The internal audit of the councils has begun. The auditors will come back and have made some preliminary recommendations.
3. Proposed Budget: This will be sent to council treasurers to be voted on the by the councils and then brought to the Local for a vote in April.

C. Vice-President's Report – D. Fivelson

1. Email: Members will need to logon to the website and enter a personal email address to ensure direct communication. We need to build a databank of email addresses now to be fully prepared for possible political actions that would disrupt how we communicate with our members in the future.

D. Community Liaison's Report – M. Dowd

1. Social Media: Please "LIKE" Local 1211 on Facebook and follow us on Twitter @Local1211.

E. President's Report - J. Braglia

1. Update Legislative Director Position
2. Political Action:
 - a. 2015 Timeline: J. Braglia presented an updated Political Action Plan for the rest of the year. We need to be vigilant and united.
 - b. Areas of Concern for Public Education Union Members: J. Braglia presented a one-page summary of proposed legislation that could impact education and collective bargaining rights.
 - c. SB 1 (2015): J. Braglia provided summary of SB 1 (2015) that would change the funding formula for schools.
 - d. Lobby Days: The date is set for April 15-16. We will be inviting legislators to a discussion where we can directly ask them their positions on key proposed legislation that could directly impact our ability to provide an education to our kids.
 - e. Pensions: We are awaiting a decision by the Illinois Supreme Court on SB 1 (2014).
 - f. School Board Elections: We need people to vote in the upcoming elections. Historically, voter turnout is low for these elections.
 - g. Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA): This is 8 years overdue to reauthorize. This is the legislation that created RttT that allows student growth to impact the evaluation document. Revamp or Reauthorization – could come up in the Senate or House this year.
3. SLO Training at Local 571- February 26, 2015: Dave Moravek attended a training session on SLOs in Westmont. He provided a summary.
4. March 2nd: J. Braglia attended a fundraiser at the Sheet Metal Hall, Local 73 (Ron Izzo's former hall). We are trying to increase our presence within the AFL.
5. IFT Vice-President's meeting: J. Braglia attended the IFT Vice-Presidents' meeting in Springfield last weekend. The IFT is hard at work anticipating a coordinated attack on those in education. The IFT provided a lot of training regarding issues that are impacting our Local.
6. Dues collection: The Local will be developing a program to collect dues from members in the event that payroll deductions are suspended by Executive Order.
7. Legislative Breakfast: It will be this Saturday. IFT President Dan Montgomery will be the keynote speaker. Toby Trimmer, Political Director of the IFT, will be moderating a panel of state legislators.

8. Settlement Hearing: The hearing is set for May 6th in Chicago where we will be meeting with attorneys from both sides.

VII. Unfinished Business - none

VIII. New Business

Motion: R. Jarecki moved to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2015 Executive Board meeting; A. Spizziri seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion: B. Walser moved to approve the February Treasurer's Report; R. Polly seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

Motion: J. Braglia moved to move into COPE at 5:16 pm; G. Wilson seconded.

J. Braglia discussed the upcoming school board elections and the candidates running.

Motion: B. Gust- moved to adjourn the C.O.P.E. meeting; R. Polly seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

IX. Adjournment

Motion: D. Moravek moved to adjourn the Executive Board meeting; B. Walser seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Executive Board meeting adjourned 5:11 p.m.

In Unity,
Anita Lee