



Local 1211 Executive Board Meeting November 14, 2013

I. Call to Order

J. Braglia called the Executive Board meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present:

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

Absent:

A. Bosslet; M. Castello; R. Erickson; S. Garcia; E. Jacobsen; R. Jarecki; P. Krzankowski; D. Osenberg; W. Scully; B. Wesley

III. Special Order of Business - None

IV. COPE:

A C.O.P.E. meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m.

A. Jim Moynihan

- a. Jim Moynihan addressed the executive board seeking support in his election against Michelle Mussman. He described his stance on education and teachers. He has a daughter who teaches at Palatine High School. He promises to work for a fair and equitable way to solve the pension problem. Jim will come to another local meeting to address specific questions.

B. Upcoming Political Event & Contribution Schedule:

- City Club of Chicago Public Policy Forum, Dan Montgomery Speaker, 11-18-13 - - \$45.00
J. Braglia attending
- Citizens for David Orr Fundraiser - \$100.00 Donation
- Peter Roskam Fundraiser – 11/16/13 – \$100.00
F. Kernats to attend
- Reception for Lou Lang, 11-19-13, \$150.00
D. Moravek to attend
- Democratic Party of DuPage County- Membership & Holiday Party, 12-6-13 \$120.00
J. Braglia, S. Forpe, B. Walser to attend

Total of \$515.00

C. PAC Region K: (District 211 falls in PAC Region K – see attached map)

- Senate Districts:
33 - Karen McConnaughay, 22 – Mike Noland, 27 – Matt Murphy
- House Districts:
65 – Keith Farnham, 44 – Fred Crespo, 53 – David Harris, 54 – Tom Morrison,
65 - Timothy L. Schmitz, 66 - Michael W. Tryon
- Map: A map has been provided outlining our State House and State Senate districts. The goal is to provide more information to our members of legislative districts.

D. Veto Session: 12-5-13

We need to be vigilant and ready to act as we hear more about what issues will be addressed during this veto session. The legislature is moving to divide union members by pitting retirees against working

teachers. We are surrounded by states who have passed laws hurting labor unions.

E. **Community Liaison Report:**

- Frank Kernats provided a brief report of the events he attended and the politicians he met.
- Bobby Walser provided a written report of events he attended and politicians he met.

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

Adjournment

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

The C.O.P.E. meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

V. **Council Reports**

A. **211 Council** -- none

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** - none

E. **Retiree's Council**

1. The Retiree Council's Breakfast was a success with 70 retirees in attendance.

VI. **Officers' Reports**

A. **Secretary's Report**

1. Approval of Minutes

Copies of the minutes of the October 17th Executive Board meeting were distributed for review.

B. **Treasurer's Report**

1. Copies of the October Treasurer's Report were distributed and reviewed. Clarifications were provided.

B. **Vice-President's Report** - none

D. **President's Report**

1. IFT Convention: John Braglia was recently elected as one of the Vice Presidents of the IFT. He is also serving on the PERA/SB 7 committee for the state.
2. New Vision for Local 1211 and its Councils:
 - Communications
 - a. Randy Simonian of Simonian Communications, LLC addressed the local describing his ideas on how to capture the image of our members.
 - b. Website Modification: We need to change the webpage to reach our members. After multiple interviews with various members throughout the district, the conclusion is that the union is not doing an effective job reaching out to our members.
 - Local 1211 Professional Learning Network (PLN) will reach our members by streamlining information and professional development.
3. Prospect Mortgage offers labor-friendly mortgage options.
4. Local 1211 Open House is set for January 16, 2014. We hope to have members in attendance on this final exam day. More information is coming.

VII. **Unfinished Business** - none

VIII. **New Business**

1. **Motion:** R. Polly moved to approve the purchase of a \$100 gift card for Barb Mach; M. McIntyre seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.
2. **Motion:** M. McIntyre moved to approve a holiday expenditure; B. seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.
3. **Motion:** B. Kuenchenberg moved to approve the minutes; B. Walser seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

IX. Adjournment

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

The Executive Board meeting adjourned 5:37 p.m.

**In Unity,
Anita Lee**