



## Local 1211 Executive Board Meeting October 17, 2013

### I. Call to Order

J. Braglia called the Executive Board meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

### II. Roll Call

#### Present:

J. Braglia; R Carroll; M. Dowd; S Forpe; B. Gust-Farrell; R. Jarecki; F. Kernats; R Kuechenberg; R. Izzo; A. Lee; M. McIntyre; R. Polly; W. Scully; A. Spizzirri; R. Walser; G. Wilson

#### Absent:

A. Bosslet; M. Castello; R. Erickson; S. Garcia; E. Jacobsen; P. Krzankowski; S. Lilley; D. Moravak; D. Osenberg; B. Wesley

### III. Special Order of Business - None

### IV. COPE:

A C.O.P.E. meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m.

A. The following COPE Fundraiser and Events need approval for June – October 15, 2013:

- IL AFL-CIO COPE Golf Outing Fundraiser, 6-10-13 - \$200 (Donation)
- Lisa Madigan Fundraiser, 6-17-13, Chicago - \$1,000, (Bobby Walser).
- Pension Hearings, 6-18-19,2013, Springfield Hotel Stay - \$333.76, (B Walser & F Kernats)
- Michael Noland Fundraiser, 6-26-13, Schaumburg - \$250.00, (Bobby Walser).
- Pat Quinn Fundraiser, 6-26-13, Chicago - \$100.00, (Frank Kernats).
- Dan Kotowski Reception, 9-10-13, Chicago - \$250.00, (Bobby Walser).
- Elaine Nekritz Fundraiser, 9-12-13, Chicago - \$300.00, (Derek Fivelson).
- Lavia/Crespo/Farnham Reception, 9-26-13, Chicago - \$125.00, (Bobby Walser).
- Springfield Lobby Trip Hotel, 9-25-13, Springfield - \$212.78, (B Walser & F Kernats)
- Springfield Lobby Trip Hotel, 10-9-13, Springfield, \$127.68, (B. Walser)
- Schaumburg Area Democrats Candidate Brunch, 10-13-13, Schaumburg - \$45.00, (B Walser)
- DuPage County Republican Day, 10-15-13, - \$50.00, (Frank Kernats).

Total of \$2,994.22 to be approved.

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

B. Upcoming Political Event & Contribution Schedule

- Dennis Robeletti for Senate for the 46<sup>th</sup> District - \$1000.00 contribution
- Palatine Twp Democratic Organization Oktoberfest, 10-20-13, Durty Nellies, Palatine -\$80.00 (B. Walser and S. Forpe to attend)
- CTU Legislators-Educators Appreciation Dinner, 10-25-13, Plumbers Hall, Chicago - \$45.00 (J. Braglia and B. Scully to attend)
- Indo-American Democratic Organization Annual Banquet,10-27-13. Raja Krishnamoorthi. Governor Quinn Keynote speaker, Holiday Inn, Skokie - \$100 per ticket. (B. Walser to attend)
- Local 571 Legislative Breakfast, 10-26-13, Doubletree Hotel, Oak Brook – No Cost (J. Braglia; S. Forpe, F. Kernats, R. Carroll to attend)
- IFT COPE Platinum Club Donation - \$100

Total of \$1450.00

**Motion:** R. Jarecki moved to approve the expenditures; B. Walser seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

C. Community Liaison Reports

- a. Frank Kernats gave a brief report of politicians he visited and events he attended. He is going to prepare a monthly report that will be sent out to members informing us of political actions by politicians in our area.
- b. Bobby Walser gave a brief report of political events and politicians he visited over the summer and early fall. He, too, will prepare monthly reports for the membership.

**Adjournment**

**Motion:** M. McIntyre moved to adjourn the C.O.P.E. meeting; B. Scully seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

The C.O.P.E. meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

V. **Council Reports**

A. **211 Council**

1. Most ongoing issues/concerns are being resolved.
2. John Braglia and Anita Lee are going to a meeting on October 29<sup>th</sup> to meet the final candidates for superintendent.

B. **United Support Staff Council (USSC)**

1. It has been a quiet start compared to this year but the district is pressing to reduce the numbers of hours for support staff.

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 is hosting a breakfast at Stonegate on October 30<sup>th</sup> where the main topic of discussion will be insurance policies and changes in the law.

VI. **Officers' Reports**

A. Secretary's Report

1. Approval of Minutes  
Copies of the minutes of the May Executive Board meeting were distributed for review.
2. Roster: The Executive Board roster was distributed for review.

B. **Treasurer's Report**

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

B. **Vice-President's Report**

1. Website: Derek is asking for feedback on the Local website.

D. **President's Report**

1. John would like to thank Diane Kubitz and Gary Wilson for their work in moving our office. They have put in a lot of hours in making this move possible in a financially responsible manner.
2. IFT Convention: The convention is this weekend in Rosemont where the IFT will be delineated their goals. John Braglia is running for an IFT Vice-President position. There will be some resolutions on which delegates will be voting. This will be a great opportunity to get connected to other Locals in the state.

3. John Braglia is appointing Shirley Forpe as the chair of an organizing committee.
4. John Braglia is appointing Bobby Walser as one of the local's Community Liaison.
5. John Braglia is appointing Ron Izzo to fill the open position of a Local 1211 delegate for the United Support Staff Council.
6. We would like to congratulate and thank Rick Gerz for serving as a member of the IFT Retiree Constituency Committee.
7. Jim Moynahan is a republican running against Michelle Mussman of the 54<sup>th</sup> District. John has met with Jim and will meet with him again to discuss issues that are of concern for our members. He will try to attend the November 14<sup>th</sup> Local meeting to answer questions. If you have any questions for him, please email John Braglia.
8. Northwest Suburban Local Leaders Meeting: 9/30/13  
Local Leaders met to discuss pending issues that we face collectively.
9. District 214 President Pension Work
10. We would like to support and congratulate Shirley Forpe as she seeks election to the Palatine Democratic Committee. She has been a long-time Democratic champion of labor, equal rights and education.

**VII. Unfinished Business - none**

**VIII. New Business**

1. **Motion:** S. Forpe moved to approve the minutes; M. McIntyre seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.
2. The Retiree Council is trying to be more of an active organization to serve members. Gary Wilson would like propose to give the council \$5,000 to help the council in its effort to be an independent council.  
**Motion:** G. Wilson moved to approve the proposal; B. Walser seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.
3. **Motion:** F. Kernats moved to approve the appointment of Shirley Forpe as chair of the Organizing committee; G. Wilson seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.
4. **Motion:** M. McIntyre moved to approve the appointment of Bobby Walser as a community liaison; B. Scully seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.
5. **Motion:** F. Kernats moved to approve the appointment of Ron Izzo as a Local 1211 delegate; B. Scully seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.
6. **Motion:** B. Carroll moved to approve the appointment of Rick Gerz as a member of the IFT Retiree Constituency Committee; M. Dowd seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

**IX. Adjournment**

**Motion:** S. Forpe moved to adjourn the Executive Board meeting; B. Walser seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Executive Board meeting adjourned 5:17 p.m.

**In Unity,  
Anita Lee**