



**Local 1211 Executive Board Meeting
September 18, 2014**

I. Call to Order

J. Braglia called the Executive Board meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present:

J. Braglia; M. Dowd; R. Erickson; D. Fivelson; S. Forpe; B. Gust-Farrell; R. Izzo; R. Jarecki; P. Krzankowski; R. Kuechenberg; A. Lee; M. McIntyre; D. Moravak; D. Osenberg; R. Polly; W. Scully; R. Walser; G. Wilson

Absent:

A. Bosslet; R. Carroll; M. Castello; S. Garcia; E. Jacobsen; F. Kernats; S. Lilley; R. Riggio; A. Spizzirri

Governing Board Members Present:

J. Ahrens; S. Altergott; C. Bays; K. Carroll; L. Clarke; R. Cortez; K. Haskins; R. Higgins; A. Laskiewicz; K. Letzel; Z. Malinski; L. Marsh; N. McCorvie; V. Okrasinski; K. Palmer; S. Riley; A. Schmidt; T. Sharkey

III. Special Order of Business

- A. Marcia Campbell, IFT Secretary-Treasurer addressed the Board to describe the political scene. She reiterated the importance of this upcoming election and how the outcome could lead to the end of unions in the state. Although unpopular, Governor Quinn has fully funded pensions every year. She also described the reality in Wisconsin after Governor Walker eliminated collective bargaining rights.
- B. Lee Wilson, Director of Field Operations addressed the Board about how voter turnout declines in midterm elections and how Bruce Rauner is determined to attack unions, particularly teachers' unions in the state.
- C. Lynette Sculuca, Field Representative discussed the political action that is occurring every weekend in conjunction with the AFL-CIO through the Local office.

IV. COPE:

A C.O.P.E. meeting was called to order at 4:36 p.m.

A. Contributions & Events attended during break:

- a. Democrats of Illinois Association Young Professional Reception, 7/27, K. Palmer & J. Spoor-Harvey attended, \$500.00
- b. GOA Regional Business Association Multi Chamber Luncheon, 9/8, J. Braglia attended, \$35.00
- c. Carol Ammons for State Rep, Chicago, 9/9, K. Palmer attended, \$ 100.00
- d. Woman's Institute for Leadership Contribution \$250.00
- e. Mike Frerich for State Treasurer Contribution \$2500.00, approved by board via email on 8/7/14

B. Upcoming Political Event & Contribution Schedule:

- a. Labor and Politics Reception, Thursday, September 18, Navy Pier Lakeview Terrace, Chicago, 5-7:00 pm. \$150.00 (J. Braglia) was to attend
- b. Governor Quinn & Mayor Emanuel Reception in support of Jesse White, Tuesday, September 30, Manny's Deli, 1141 S. Jefferson Street, Chicago, 5-7:00 pm. \$150 per ticket (K. Palmer and J. Spoor-Harvey to attend)
- c. Jesse White honoring Jack Franks at his Annual Breakfast Fundraiser, Saturday, September 27, Donnelly's Wild West Town, 8512 S Union Rd., Union IL, 8:00 am. \$40 per ticket or 250 for Sponsor (no one could attend)
- d. Senator Mike Noland Re-election Event, Tuesday, September 23, Lizzie McNeill's Irish Pub, 400 N McClurg, Chicago, 6:30-8:00 pm. \$ 250.00 per ticket (B. Walser to attend)
- e. DuPage Democrats Candidates Fundraiser, Wednesday, September 24, Holiday Inn, 150 S. Gary Ave., Carol Stream, 5:30 pm. \$50 per ticket (J. Braglia to attend)
- f. David Orr Re-Elect Fundraiser, Tuesday, September 30, The Castle, 632 N Dearborn Street, Chicago, 5-7:30 pm. \$125 per Ticket. (J. Spoor-Harvey to attend)
- g. Kane County Democrats Fall Fundraiser, October 16th, \$130.00 (P.Krzankowski, S. Forpe to attend)

h. Chamber of Commerce Annual Legislative Breakfast, October 7th, \$35.00 (D. Moravek to attend)
Total of \$1040.00

Motion: R. Jarecki moved to approve the expenditures; P. Krzankowski seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

Adjournment

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

The C.O.P.E. meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

V. Council Reports

- A. **District 211 Council** -- The contract has been approved.
- B. **United Support Staff Council (USSC)** -- The contract was approved
- C. **Therapists in Education Council (TIE) D-15** - none
- D. **Itasca Support Staff Union Council (ISSU) D-10** - none
- E. **Retiree's Council** – A Retiree Round-Up Breakfast will be held on October 14, 2014.

VI. Officers' Reports

- A. **Secretary's Report** – A. Lee (none)
- B. **Treasurer's Report** – G. Wilson (none)
- C. **Vice-President's Report** – D. Fivelson
 - 1. Website: Anyone can submit a blog entry on the Local website.
- D. **President's Report** - J. Braglia
 - 1. Randy Simonian case: John provided an update on the case that was decided in July.
 - 2. West Suburban Teachers Union, Local 571 Annual Legislative Breakfast, Saturday September 27th, Double Tree Hotel Chicago – Oakbrook, 9 am, no cost: This event is open to anyone who would like to attend.
 - 3. Political Action Plan: John presented the Local's plan for the upcoming elections. We have essentially 5 weeks to mobilize our membership.
 - a. John will send out Spotlight emails along with direct mailings from the IFT.
 - b. John has scheduled building visits at each of the schools.
 - c. The Local will sponsor a Breakfast Kick-off at each of the buildings.
 - d. "Walk the Walk" dates are October 19th (PHS) and October 26th (CHS) where members will walk precincts together to get out the vote.
 - e. Head building reps are being asked to utilize their Communication Councils to spread information.

VII. Unfinished Business - none

VIII. New Business

- a. **Motion:** M. McIntyre moved to approve funds for the Social Media consultant; D. Moravek seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.
- b. **Motion:** K. Palmer moved to approve funds for the Kick Off Breakfasts; R. Kuechenberg seconded; motion passed by unanimous vote.

IX. Adjournment

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

The Executive Board meeting adjourned 6:11 p.m.

In Unity,
Anita Lee