

DC37 Retirees Association Monthly General Membership meeting

Tuesday, April 25th, 2023

10 AM- 12 NOON

Meeting was called to order 10:10am Roll call of Officers taken by President Gervasi

Minutes for February and March were read by Bruce Heigh.

The motion to accept February's minutes was made by *Michelle Keller-Ng* and seconded by *Donald Afflick*. A poll was taken, minutes accepted.

Motion to accept March's minutes was made by *Michelle Keller-Ng* (with corrections) seconded by Jon Forster. Poll taken; minutes accepted.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>- The financial statement for February 2023, has a Net Surplus of \$ 18,653 YTD Surplus is \$41,318. If you pay your dues by check, you will probably be getting a bill soon. Motion to accept Treasurer's report by *Michelle Keller-Ng* and second by *Jon Forster*. Poll taken; report accepted.

Committee Reports

Lesly L. Williams- (VP Publicity/Public Relations), thanked members and The Executive Board for photos, information, and support to ensure our website is current.

Dominick Martino- (VP Social Security, Pensions and Medicare), Everyone should have gotten their Medicare part B reimbursement. It came early this year, the second Friday in April. If you have not received your reimbursement and you are sixty-five, send in a copy of your Medicare card to the Office of Labor Relations. The same applies to your spouse. Reimbursement will only go back up to three years.

Donald Afflick- (VP Political Action Legislation), US Government is going to default on its debt. Congress makes sure that the Government will be able to pay their debts. *Debt Ceiling* is what the government must pay. Social Security is trying to up the age to 70 and Medicare, age 67. Will keep you posted.

Sallie Robertson- (VP Membership), keeping retirees updated and encourages them to attend rallies.

President Gervasi Report- thanked everyone for attending the April rally. Will keep everyone informed and updated. Remember May 1st to June 30th is the OPT Out period. On May 9th we had an in person Executive Board meeting. We are looking for space to hopefully have an in person general membership meeting in September. If you have any questions, you can call the office at 212- 815-1781. We are available Monday through Thursday from 10am to 3pm.

Aetna is holding seminars in the five boroughs. You can contact them at 1-855-648-0389, if you have any questions.

Marianne Pizzitola- (President of NYC Organization of Public Health Service Retirees), We will start meeting with Council Members in your districts. You need to identify what district you live in, so the CM can hear us and see us. We will have flyers and posters. They need to hear from us and hear from us now. A promise was made to us. There needs to be a strong force of Retirees showing up in their districts. Do your homework. Call your State, SHIP Office (State Health Insurance Program) or Medicare and ask what a supplemental plan would look like for you. We must plan carefully. Don't just jump the gun or pull the trigger.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by *Jim Tucciarelli* and properly second. Poll was taken with 87% in favor of adjourning meeting.

Meeting adjourned 12:35pm

Submitted by

Anna Berry

Associate Recording Secretary