



Recording of the minutes of the Zoom General Membership Meeting of 2-28-22 @ 10:14am.

The meeting was called to order by President Hysyk.

A motion to accept the minutes of the 1-27-22 General Membership Meeting was made by Anna Berry & was properly seconded and passed.

Discussion and corrections: DC37 Dental Center phone # 212-766-4440. IRMAA will be paid in October.

Treasurer's report by John Hardisty: For December 2021 we had a surplus of \$17,151. We had a YTD surplus of \$448,768. For January we had a surplus \$32,117. We are doing very well. Expenses are way down. Income is about the same. Next week a recruitment mailing will be going out. A letter to hand dues payers will go out in late March. Mel Fox made a motion to accept the treasurer's report which was properly seconded and passed. Discussion and questions ensued.

President's Report: Nominations will be in April. The vote will be in May and installation in June. The election committee has been appointed as per our constitution. The chairperson will be James Tucciarelli. Co-Chair: Stephanie Thomas. The others are: John Reyes, Lenora Gates & Kinma Lockwood. April 12 will be nominations. May 10 and June 14 will be the following General Membership meetings. All of this should be in the next PEP. We will also put on our website the AFSCME Retirees Election Manual. A motion was made by Neal Frumkin to accept the election committee. It was properly seconded and passed.

The meeting was now turned over to Jose Sierra, EVP and Chair of the Constitutional Committee. The Constitutional Committee started meeting in March of 2021 once per month. The Executive Board first approved the constitutional changes. The General Membership heard them last month. Jose thanked all the committee members and AFSCME staff. Ben Hodapp of AFSCME gave instructions for voting. A power point presentation began with an overview of the proposed changes. Article 3 membership: Has nothing to do with benefits. Article 5: Meetings of the membership: add Section 6 and 7 modifications. Article 6: discipline: changes: Sections 5, 9, and 11. Motion to accept these changes was made by Norma Paupaw. It was properly seconded and voted on and passed. Discussion ensued. Mel Fox called the question. A vote to close debate passed and was accepted. A vote to change the actual amendments to the constitution passed 130-10-11. Next batch: Article 7, Section 1B, C nominations and elections; 1D deleted, 1E becomes 1D. Section 3E and 3H: AAA shall not be the required vendor. Michelle Keller made a motion to accept the amendments as stated. Discussion ensued. A friendly amendment to amend Article 7, Section 3H was made by Bob Pfefferman. Discussion ensued. A vote was taken to accept the friendly amendment and it was adopted. The vote on this next group of amendments was 112-7-5. Jose thanked everyone again.

President Hysyk returned and thanked the committee and AFSCME retiree staff. Today is the last day of Black History Month. I hope everyone has the opportunity to participate in some event. Rhonna Bonsu

put together our event which was February 16. Tomorrow begins Women's History Month. Thursday, at 1pm there will be another meeting on MAP by Kim Parker. Information is on our website. We support the lawsuit in person and financially. The court case is today. Our job is to give you the knowledge of the program for you to make your choice. An e-blast will go out again. The Medicare Part B reimbursement will be the third week in April, around April 15, if NYC is consistent. If there's a difference, submit a differential form. For IRMAA reimbursement the additional paperwork will be available after April. Use the current form to file electronically. It is normally paid in October. Our net pensions increased due to changes in tax laws. Our pensions are not taxable in NYS nor NYC. For Delta Dental in NY State, use Delta Dental Select, out of NYS, use Delta Dental PPO. If you use a Delta Dental dentist, make sure that you ask that you will owe no other monies for the procedure.

For opt-in, opt-out, rescinding you need to know what you did. If you stay in GHI Senior Care the premium cost will be \$194 per month per person, which is what it costs NYC. The premium is not frozen. It could go up next year. Co-pays started January 1, 2022 in GHI Senior Care. The MAP premium is frozen for 5 years. Q&A followed.

Anna Berry made a motion to adjourn which was properly seconded and passed. The meeting adjourned at 1pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Bruce Heigh, Associate Secretary

DC 37 Retirees Association