

**ORDER SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ITALY IN AMERICA
NYS COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE
EXEC BOARD MEETING
WED 11-28-2018
N MASS COM CENTER
7:30 PM**

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:40 PM BY CHAIRMAN JOHN FRATTA
THE FOLLOWING WERE IN ATTENDANCE

- **R FERRITO**
- **J FRATTA**
- **K WILSON**
- **J VALLONE**
- **M PRINCE**
- **M SANTO**
- **M RISPOLI**
- **L GALLO**
- **T CORSELLO**
- **T ADAMO**

ALL OTHERS WERE EXCUSED

THE MINUTES OF THE PRIOR MEETING WERE ACC AS AMENDED.

THERE WERE NO COMMUNICATIONS

TREASURY REPORT:

JOE VALLONE REVIEWED THE RECORDS OF THE PRIOR MONTHS AND HE REPORTS THAT ROCCO CARRIERO STILL OWES THE REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE SOUTHAMPTON AD FOR THE PAPER ON THE SCHOOLS ISSUE. JOHN WILL FOLLOW UP WITH HIM. JOE ASKED FOR ACCESS TO THE STATEMENTS FOR THE ACCOUNTS. KEITH W MOVED TO ACCEPT TREASURERS REPORT SECONDED BY TONY CORSELLO AND PASSED.

FS REPORT:

KEITH WILSON GAVE OUT JOANNE GROVE'S REPORT AND REVIEWED WITH THE BOARD THE VARIOUS EXPENSES. QUESTION ON HOW MANY TEE SHIRTS WE STILL HAVE AND HOW MANY CALENDARS ARE LEFT AROSE. ALL ELSE WAS IN ORDER. THE STORAGE UNIT IS NBOW ALL CAUGHT UP WITH PAYMENTS AND ACCESS. THE FOLLOWING HAVE KEYS: KEITH, LOU, JEAN, CIRO AND JOHN F.

MARYANN RISPOLI MOVED TO ACCEPT REPORT SECONDED BY KEITH AND PASSED.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

JOHN FRATTA COMMENTS ON THE FOLLOWING:

COLUMBUS DAY ISSUE:

ROCHESTER CITY HAS ELIMINATED THE HOLIDAY. MAYOR LOVELY WARREN IS THE GUILTY PARTY. THE RESPONSE WAS NOT ADEQUATE TO JUST HAVE AN ITALIAN OBSERVANCE DAY. THE COALITION SEEMS TO BE CONCENTRATING THEIR EFFORTS ON NY CITY ISSUES ONLY IN MANHATTAN. THE SOUTHAMPTON SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS TWO BOARD SEATS COMING UP AND THE TWO ARE MEMBERS THAT ARE NOT ON OUR SIDE ON THE COLUMBUS ISSUE. WE NEED TWO GOOD CANDIDATES TO PUT THE TWO SEATS.

CALENDAR/MAGNETS:

MARIANNE PRINCE IS GOING TO ASK TONY DICOSTANZO TO REMIND ALL THAT CSJ CALENDARS ARE AVAILABLE FOR STOCKING STUFFERS FOR CHRISTMAS. THE BOARD APPROVED DECEMBER 1 2018 FOR HALF PRICE AT \$5.00 PER CALENDAR. JOHN TOLD THE

BOARD THAT ANGELO VIVOLO WOULD LIKE SOME MAGNETS FROM US FOR THE COLUMBUS CITIZENS FOUNDATION. WE WILL GET TO HIM.

NEW ORLEANS ISSUE:

MIKE SANTO REPORTS THAT THIS ISSUE HAS BEEN GOING VERY FAVORABLY FOR US AND THE MAYOR IS INCLINED TO RELEASE AN APOLOGY AND AS WELL AS A MEMORIAL PLACED IN THE VICINITY OF THE LYNCHING FOR REMEMBRANCE PURPOSES IN A PARK IN A MINORITY DISTRICT. THE MAYORS NAME IS VINCENZO PASQUANTONIO. WE WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR.

COURT OFFICERS BIAS ISSUE:

JANET DEFIORE THE HEAD OF THE OCA WHICH IS THE OFFICERS COURT ASSOCIATION WAS SLANDERED RECENTLY WHEN THE INITIALS WERE REFERRED TO AS "ORGANIZED CRIME ASSOCIATION" WE SENT A LETTER TO THE PARTIES INVOLVED AND NOW AWAIT THE RESPONSE.

US REP ELECT CORTEZ MASTO:

JOHN REPORTS THAT NEWLY ELECTED REP CATHERINE CORTEZ MASTO SPOKE ABOUT ELIMINATING COLUMBUS DAY AND MAKING COLUMBUS DAY A HOLIDAY. SHE IS OBVIOUSLY MISINFORMED AND WILL NEED TO BE WATCHED IN CONGRESS. JOHN ALSO REMINDS ALL THAT THE COMPLAINT DIRECTORY IS OUT IN THE MAIL TO ALL LODGES AND PRESIDENTS AND CAN NOW BE USED AS RECORDING INCIDENTS. WE WILL POST ON THE WEBSITE AS WELL.

LIASON MEETING:

JOHN SAID IN THE FUTURE THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A LIASON MEETING FOR ALL TO ATTEND AND WE WILL COMPILE A LIST OF ALL DISTRICT LIASONS FOR OUR USE. KEITH W WILL HANDLE FOR THE BOARD. THE STATE PRES. ROBERT WILL BE HOLDING WEBINARS IN 2019 FOR INFO FOR ALL TO LEARN ABOUT THE GL AND THE ORDER. ROBERT ALSO REMINDS ALL TO UTILIZE THE STATE TRUSTEES FOR INFORMATION TO GET OUT AS WELL. JOHN CAN ALSO USE RISA HOAG IF NEED BE FOR ANY PR FOR THE CSJ OR FACEBOOK POSTS AS WELL. ROBERT ASKED TO SEND CSJ MATERIALS TO DIST 4 CHAIR CATHY LEMBO LLOYD AS WELL. WE WILL DO THAT.

CSJ FINANCING:

JOHN REMINDS ALL THAT WE WILL NEED SOME MORE FINANCES FOR OUR PROJECTS AND AN ENVELOPE CAMPAIGN TO ALL MEMBERS WAS DISCUSSED BY OUR PRESIDENT. DISCUSSION ENSUED ABOUT TOM ADAMO GETTING A LETTER FROM JOHN TO ASK SOME BUSINESSES FOR DONATIONS FOR CSJ WORK. JOHN WILL GET HIM THE LETTER FROM CSJ STAFF. WE ALSO DISCUSSED PAY PAL AND OTHER ACCOUNTS FOR THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO DONATE.

LUNCHEON:

JOHN REPORTS THAT WE NOW HAVE THREE HONOREES CAROL WHALEN, CAROL DELANEY AND RABBI JOSPEH POTASNIK. FEB 24 2019 IS THE DATE AND CAROL D'AURIA WILL INTRODUCE RABBI POTASNIK FOR THE COMMITTEE. JO COHEN IS THE CHAIR AGAIN. THERE WILL BE A JOURNAL AND RAFFLES. LETTERS AND INFO WILL GO OUT SOON. RUSSOS ON THE BAY WILL BE THE VENUE AGAIN.

REP SUOZZI ISSUE:

LOU GALLO INFORMS BOARD NOTHING NEW ON THIS FRONT AND MOST DO NOT EXPECT ANYTHING MORE FROM THE REQUESTED RESOLUTION. THE ONE THAT WAS SUBMITTED WAS ONLY PRO FORMA AND NOT A SURPRISE TO MOST.

DISTRICT CHAIRS REPORTS:

DIST 1:

MARIANNE PRINCE REPORTS FOR CHARLIE LUCIE THAT ALL THE ESSAY CONTEST INFORMATION IS OUT AND AWAITING PARTICIPANTS. THE TASTE OF ITALY WILL BE NOV. 29 AT THE DENNISON BUILDING.

DIST 2:

M. RISPOLI FOR JEAN GAGLIARDO REPORTS THAT BELLA LINGUA WILL BEGIN IN JANUARY TIMEFRAME. NEXT DIST 2 MEETING WILL BE DEC 6 AT JEANS HOUSE. ALL INVITED. JOHN F CONFIRMED THAT THE BELLA LINGUA \$150.00 TOWARDS EXPENSES FOR COLLATIONS FOR EACH DIST WOULD BE GIVEN THIS YEARAS PER PRIOR BOARD APPROVAL. ALL CONCURRED.

DIST 3:

T CORSELLO REPORTS THAT XAVIER H/S WILL BE ONE OF THE BELLA LINGUA PARTICIPANTS THIS YEAR. HE WILL BE CALLING A MEETING IN THE NEAR FUTURE AND RY TO HOLD IT VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING FOR ALL TO PARTICIPATE.

NEW BUSINESS:

KEITH WILSON MOVED TO PURCHASE A \$200.00 GOLD PAGE AD FOR THE WINTER CHARITY BALL FOR 2019 PASSED BY THE BOARD. WE WILL CHECK TO SEE IF THIS IS RECIPROCAL AND NO MONEY NEEDS TO BE EXCHANGED.

COLUMBUS BROCHURE:

KEITH WILSON WOULD LIKE TO GET THE SUB COMMITTEE OF DAVE, LOU AND MARIANNE TOGETHER FOR A MEETING ON THE COLUMBUS BROCHURE FOR DEC 15 AT THE GL OFFICE 9:00 AM

TONY CORSELLO THANKED LOU GALLO FOR WEARING THE COLUMBUS COSTUME THIS YEAR AS MUCH AS HE DID. HE DID A GREAT JOB.

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE JANUARY 8 AT THE G/L OFFICE 7:30 PM

MINUTES TAKEN:

KEITH WILSON
SECRETARY
ATTACHMENTS

