

**NYS CSJ BOARD MEETING
VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE
AUGUST 9 2022**

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:40 PM BY CHAIRMAN JOHN FRATTA
THE PRAYER AND PLEDGE WERE SAID AND MOMENT OF SILENCE WERE HELD.
THE ROLL CALL SHOWED THE FOLLOWING PRESENT:

- **JOHN FRATTA**
- **ELEANOR JOBBAGY**
- **ROBERT FERRITO**
- **KEITH WILSON**
- **G GRAHAM**
- **T ROTOLI**
- **M PRINCE**
- **M RISPOLI**
- **J GROVE**
- **V MARMORALE**
- **L SERAFINI**

MINUTES OF THE JUNE MEETING WERE ACCEPTED AS CORRECTED.

****TREASURY REPORT:**

RUSSO'S ON THE BAY SEND US THE \$500.00 REFUND FOR THE HALL NOT USED DURING COVID.
THERE WAS NOT MUCH OTHER ACTIVITY DURING JULY. PRIME STORAGE HAD TO BE PAID AGAIN
FOR THE RENT. WE NETTED \$72.00 FOR THE MONTH OF JULY. GERI GRAHAM REVIEWED THE JULY
EXPENSES AND INCOME. THREE OUTSTANDING CHECKS STILL OUT THERE. \$7,759.31 ENDING
BALANCE. 3438.53 IN COLUMBUS ACCOUNT. 3597.28 IN SAVINGS. 14,795.12 TOTAL AVAILABLE.

****FS REPORT:**

BUDGET BEING PREPARED FOR DISCUSSION. FROM JOANNE GROVE. TRANSFER OF FUNDS MAY
BE NEEDED TO COVER SOME EXPENSES. LOU GALLO MEMORIAL NEEDS TO BE FUNDED. KEITH
SUGGESTS THAT WE NEED TO LOOK AT BUDGET AND SEE IF WE CAN MAKE CUTS AS NEEDED
AFTER BUDGET REVIEW. WE WILL LOOK AT NUMBERS AND DISCUSS NEXT MONTH. MOTION TO
ACCEPT BOTH REPORTS FROM KEITH W SECONDED BY TONY R AND PASSED.

****NATIONAL CSJ REPORT:**

R FERRITO REPORTS THAT HE IS GOING TO NATIONAL PLENARY THIS WEEK. COPOMAIA WAS
HELD AND JOHN ATTENDED WITH ROBERT. BOB BIANCHI NOW VICE PRES OF COPOMAIA. USE
NEW RESOURCE PAGE AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE ON THE TABLE AS NEEDING TO GET ON
THERE TOPICS. ALL LOOKING FORWARD TO PLENARY THIS THURSDAY.

****SYRACUSE:**

APPEAL PENDING AS PER JOHN AND SOME FEEL THAT THE MAYOR IS BIASED AGAINST ITALIANS
AND WE HOPE TO WIN THE APPEALS. PHILADELPHIA IS IN THE SAME SITUATION AND NEWARK
NJ HAS REMOVED THE COLUMBUS STATUE AND UNICO IS HELPING WITH THIS AND LEGAL
OPTIONS ARE BEING LOOKED AT. N.Y. GOVERNOR HOCHUL MEETING HAS NOT BEEN HELD YET
AND TOM SCARANGELLO IS TRYING TO SET THIS UP FOR JOHN. WE ARE UPSET THAT SHE
DECLARED ON COLUMBUS DAY INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY. WHITE HOUSE AND PRES. BDEN
NEVER MET WITH US EITHER.

****WEBSITE**

BOB GRAHAM SAYS ALL IS GOOD WITH WEBSITE AND WE NEED TO FINISH UP QR CODE ON THE
CSJ AND WE ARE ABLE TO GET IT DONE. FACEBOOK SITE NEEDS TO BE STRAIGHTENED OUT AS
WELL AND BOB WILL LOOK INTO THIS WITH FACEBOOK DIRECTLY. WE ARE UPDATING THE
MEDAL OF HONOR WINNERS AND THE DAVID BELLAVIA PIECE AS WELL. MOTION TO BUY 60
NEW FRAMES FOR CSJ AND THIS WILL BE HANDLED BY GERI AND BOB. THEY WILL TRY AND GET
THE BEST PRICE AS WELL.

****RUSSOS ON THE BAY:**

REFUND RECEIVED AND WE THANKED FRANK RUSSO FOR THE REFUND OF \$500.00.

****BOOKS FROM CSJ:**

WE HAVE THE HEROS BOOKS AT THE GRAND LODGE AS WELL ON HAND. SOME CAN BE GIVEN AT FEASTS ALSO. LET'S GET THE BOOK OUT THERE AS NEEDED.

****LITERATURE**

KEITH WILSON WILL UPDATE THE NEEDED BOOKMARKS AND THINGS NEEDED FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE CSJ.

****NEW ORLEANS PLAQUE:**

R FERRITO RPEORTS THIS IS PROCEEDING AND WE ARE ON THE WAY TO COMPLETION AS WELL.

****SAN GENNARO FEAST:**

MICHAEL MASSIMINO IS THE GRAND MARSHAL AND AMERICA IS THE THEME. PLEASE ATTEND IF YOU CAN TO SUPPORT THE EVENT. SEPTEMBER 15-25 ARE THE DATES.

****BELLA LINGUA:**

MARYANN RISPOLI REPORTS ALL WENT WELL AND WE LIKE ALL INVOLVED EACH YEAR. SCHOOLS DIRECTORIES ARE BEING LOOKED AT FOR NY STATE AS WELL. A JOB WELL DONE.

****IACE GRANTS:**

LISA SERAFINI EXPLAINED HOW THESE GRANTS ARE WORKING AND HOW TO APPLY FOR MATERIALS AND OTHER AREAS. THIS IS A TRI STATE AREA IS THE GRANT AREA COVERED. LET PARENTS KNOW ABOUT THIS IMPORTANT PROGRAM.

****DABBENE CONTEST:**

GERI GRAHAM REPORTS THAT THE CONTEST IS OVER AND ALL STUDENTS HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED. LODGE PRESIDENTS NEED TO PUSH PROGRAM MORE AS IT GETS CLOSER. OUT OF STATE STUDENTS CAN APPLY AS WELL. THIS WILL START IN FALL 2023. JOHN WILL PROMOTE THE PROGRAM IN THE GOLDEN LION ARTICLE FOR ALL TO SEE DIRECTLY. WE MAY BE ABLE TO MAKE CHANGES FOR THIS PROGRAM GOING FORWARD. WE WILL DISCUSS AT FUTURE MEETINGS.

****EDUC SUB COMMITTEE:**

NO ONE HAS CONTACTED V. MARMORALE.

****HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL:**

VINCE WILL BE INTERVIEWED IN STATEN ISLAND IN TWO WEEKS. OCTOBER MAY BE A BUSY MONTH AS WELL. PETROSINO LODGE MAY HAVE HIM COME IN AS WELL. PRESENTATON WAS MADE AT ROCKVILLE CENTRE.

****DIST REPORT:**

1. GERI G NO UPDATES
2. KEITH REPORTS ON THE UPCOMING SEPTEMBER MEETING.
3. NO REPORT
4. J ALFONSO REPORTS PRESIDENTS MEETING JUNE 27 AND ROBERT AND MICHELE WERE PRESENT AND ALL WERE UPDATED.
5. NO CHAIR
6. LISA SERAFINI REPORTS NOT MUCH AWARENESS IN THE CAPITAL REGION AND SHE WILL TRY TO IMPROVE.
7. NO REPORT
8. NO REPORT

****GOLDEN LION ARTICLE:**

M PRINCE MENTIONS BRUMIDI LODGE NY STATE OSDIA TO ARTICLE ON GOLD MEDAL TO A TRASNLATOR FOR POETRY FOR BOB SAVINO AND THAT IS HOW SHE WAS RECOGNIZED.

****FEBRUARY LUNCHEON:**

ELEANOR JOBBAGY LOOKED INTO LYNBROOK KNIGHTS AND GAVE REPORT ON BRUNCH AND BREAKDOWN OF PRICES. \$33.95 PER PERSON IS THE COST. WE CAN DO A STW BOARD AND RAISE MORE MONEY AS WELL. WE CAN DISCUSS THE CONCEPT OF A JOURNAL DOWN THE ROAD. HONOREES MAY NEED TO BE DISCUSSED AS WELL. MINIMUM AMOUNT OF GUESTS NEEDS TO BE DISCUSSED WITH THEM.

KEITH ASKS JOHN TO HANDLE CARMINE FEDERICO DAUGHTER SITUATION IF NEED BE. BOB GRAHAM FOUND PICTURE FRAMES FOR A GREAT PRICE ALREADY.

NEXT MEETING SEPT 13 VIA ZOOM FOR THE BOARD.
MOTION TO ADJOURN
MEETING CLOSED AT 9:15 PM

KEITH WILSON
SECTY CSJ EXEC COMMITTEE