

NYS CSJ EXEC BOARD MEETING

JUNE 28 2023

VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

THE MEETING WAS OPENED AT 7:35 P.M. BY CHAIRMAN JOHN FRATTA
THE PRAYER WAS LED BY KEITH WILSON

THE PLEDGE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE WAS HELD.

ROLL CALL SHOWED THE FOLLOWING PRESENT:

- **B ISGRO**
- **J FRATTA**
- **E JOBBAGY**
- **K WILSON**
- **J GROVE**
- **V MARMORALE**
- **S GRILLO**
- **M PRINCE**
- **T ROTOLI**
- **L SERAFINI**
- **E BOCHYSNKI**

PREVIOUS MIINUTES APPROVED AS WRITTEN.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

J GROVE MADE THE REPORT FOR HER AND GERI G. EXPENSES REVIEWED AND BALANCE OF 16,171.00 IN THE ACCOUNTS. MONEY IN ESCROW IS THERE FOR THE LUNCHEON WHEN WE HAVE IT. DISTRICT ACCOUNTS BALANCES REVIEWED AS ATTACHED TO THE MINUTES. CONVENTION NETTED US A \$59.00 DONATION AT THE TABLE FOR LITERATURE. COLUMBUS TEE SHIRTS WERE SOLD AT THE CONVENTION AS WELL. WE WILL DISTRIBUSTE TEE SHIRTS AS NEEDED TO GET THEM OUT. CONVENTION DONATIONS WERE \$6,000.00

CHAIRMANS REPORT:

JOHN REPORTS AS FOLLOWS:

MINNESOTA LEGISLATURE MOVES TO CHANGE COLUMBUS DAY TO INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY.

SYRACUSE:

C FEDERICO REPORTS NOT MUCH TO REPORT AS JUNE 6 TRIAL WAS POSTPONED TO JUNE 30. **LI COUNCIL SOCIAL STUDIES AND NYS COUNCIL ON SOCIAL STUDIES IS ADAMANTLY OPPOSED TO THESE CHANGES AND IS AGAINST THE AMENDMENTS AGAINST COLUMBUS.**

ELEMENTARY STUDENTS:

JOHN REPORTS THAT 5TH GRADE CHILDREN BEING INDOCTRINATED AGAINST COLUMBUS ALSO. GRAMMAR SCHOOLS ARE A PROBLEM NOW. FACEBOOK ALSO HAS POSTS AGAINST COLUMBUS AS WELL. COLUMBUS CITIZENS AND COALITION WORKING ON THIS ALSO. ANDY ILLIANO MAY BE ABLE TO ASSIST US WITH SOCIAL MEDIA. WEB PAGE AND FACEBOOK PAGE ARE ACTIVE BUT FB PAGE CANNOT BE OPENED AS SURPEME LODGE NEVER GAVE US THE PASSWORDS. CARLY JEROME NEVER GAVE US THE PASSWORDS.

JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY:

JOHN REPORTS ON A PLAY ABOUT COLUMBUS CHALLENGING ALL COLUMBUS DID AND PORTRAYING HIS LEGACY AS NEGATIVE. JOHN SAID THERE WAS A RESIGNATION FROM COPOMAIO FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AS 6 OF THEM RESIGNED. BASIL RUSSO IS LEADER AND SOME FEEL DIFFICULT TO WORK WITH. ILA ORGANIZATION NOW FORMED IN ITS PLACE. BASIL RUSSO TOOK CREDIT FOR SYRACUSE FIGHT AND JOHN WAS UPSET ON THAT ISSUE.

CONVENTION LITERATURE TABLE:

TONY ROTOLI REPORTS TABLE WAS VERY SUCCESSFUL AND A LOT WAS GIVEN OUT. WE NEED TO FIND BANNER AND LOOK AROUND THE GL OFFICE.

STORAGE FACILITY:

WE NEED TWO MORE MEDAL OF HONOR KITS FOR THE UPSTATE AREA AND GERI WAS GOING TO MAKE THEM UP FOR US WITH BOB. CARMINE FEDERICO HAS A SET OF MEDAL OF HONOR KIT FOR USE BY THE UPSTATE LODGES.

HOLOCAUST:

V MARMORALE REPORTS THAT HE PRESENTED UGUALIANZA LODGE HIS PRESENTATION AND IT WENT GREAT AND HE WAS VERY HAPPY. OTHER PRESENTATIONS MAY BE MADE SOON IN THE BRONX. BELMONT LIBRARY ON CRESCENT AVENUE MAY BE ABLE TO PUT ON THE SHOW ALSO. PETER MODINIA WILL BE CALLED FOR THIS ISSUE. MARIANNE PRINCE WAS HELPFUL IN SETTING VINCE M AT THE LODGE AND DESERVES CREDIT FOR THIS ALSO. BIAGIO SUGGESTS THAT THE NATIONAL MAGAZINE AND GOLDEN LION SHOULD HAVE THESE BOOKS HIGHLIGHTED AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

BIAGIO ALSO SUGGESTS THAT WE BUY BOOKS IN BULK AMOUNT AND GET THEM OUT TO ALL PARTIES AS NEEDED. KEITH SUGGESTS WE USE THE LITERARY AWARD COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE BOOKS WITH BOB SAVINO ASSISTING.

SHARE THE WEALTH BOARD:

TONY ROTOLI FEELS WE NEED TO GET STARTED AND PRICE SHOULD BE AGREED TO ALSO. GMM JUST CLOSED OUT THERE BOARD ALSO. WE CAN DO THIS AND HAVE THE DRAWING IN OCTOBER AS WELL. WE NEED TO GET THE WORD OUT ON THE BOARD. \$25.00 WILL BE THE PRICE FOR THE BOXES. TONY AND ELAENOR WILL BE THE CO CHAIRS

ANNUAL LUNCHEON TIME:

WE NEED TO SET A DATE FOR THIS AFFAIR ALSO. SUNDAY BRUNCH WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AS WELL. VERDIS STILL HAS OUR DEPOSIT ALSO TO USE. THIRD WEEK IN MARCH MIGHT BE A GOOD TIME FOR THIS. ELEANOR WILL LOOK INTO VERDIS AGAIN AS WELL. NO RAFFLES BUT A JOURNAL WILL BE IN THE MIX ALSO. MANY ADDS HAVE BEEN PAID SO FAR FROM THE LAST BRUNCH FOR THE JOURNAL. WE WILL GET BIDS FOR JOURNAL PRINTING FOR THE BEST PRICING POSSIBLE. QR CODE CAN BRING IN MORE MONEY ALSO.

WE SHOULD SEND THE ITALIAN TRIBUNE ARTICLES FOR THEIR PAPER AND SEE IF THEY PRINT IT FOR US.

DIST CHAIRS

2 K WILSON REPORTS BELLA LINGUA HELD AND ALL WENT WELL WITH THE COMMITTEE
6 L SERAFINI REPORTS THAT LOCAL SCHOOL DIST TOOK COLUMBUS DAY OFF THE CALENDAR AND SHE IS LOOKING FOR FEEDBACK ON THIS ISSUE FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS.
GUILDERLANDS SCHOOL DISTRICT IS THE SCHOOLS INVOLVED. MANY HOMES THERE WERE BUILT BY ITALIANS. TEACHERS NEED TO BE SPOKEN TO ALSO. LISA WILL DRAFT A LETTER FOR THIS ISSUE AND WE WILL REVIEW THE LETTER. 1619 PROJECT BEING PUSHED THERE ALSO.
7 C FEDERICO WAITING FOR END OF MONTH FOR COURT CASE IN SYRACUSE FOR A POSITIVE RESULT. BELLA LINGUS WENT VERY WELL.

STATE PRES. REMARKS:

BIAGIO THANKS ALL FOR THE GOOD WISHES AS OUR NEW PRESIDENT. HE HAS MANY GOALS IN MIND FOR THE ORDER AND THE COMMITTEES. REMINDS ALL THAT EVERYTHING GOES THROUGH THE PRES AND BOARD. PROTOCOL WILL BE LOOKED AT AND WORK UNIFIED ALSO.

COMMUNICATION IS VERY IMPORTANT ALSO. CSJ WIL GET SUPPORT AS NEEDED FROM THE BOARD AND STATE OFFICERS. DISTRICTS SHOULD KEEP STATE PRES UPDATED.

THANKS TO ALL FOR PARTICIPATION IN CSJ.

NEXT MEETING JULY 11 VIA ZOOM. JOHN THANKS TO ALL FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:25 P.M

MINUTES TAKEN BY KEITH WILSON REC SECTY.

