

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
EXECUTIVE BOARD
OF
SEIU LOCAL 721**

Wednesday, February 17, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

President Bob Schoonover called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

ROLL CALL

A quorum was present: Bob Schoonover, Linda Dent, Omar Perez, Tony Bravo, Harold Sterker, Marlene Allen, David Green, Grace Corse, Rosie Martinez, Arnella Sims, Doris Fletcher (Senior Committee Liaison). In attendance via video conference in Ventura: Dave Mulvey, Angela Portillo and Shannon Abramovitch; in attendance via video conference in Riverside: Catherine Eide-Nelson, Greg Hagans and Cheryl Elam-Collins; in attendance via video conference in Santa Ana: Joaquin Avalos.

Members/staff present: Erma Hall-Wood, John Tanner and Christina Rodriguez.

M/S/C to adopt meeting agenda with the addition of rep coverage under new business.

M/S/C to approve the January 2010 Executive Board Minutes.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – see attached.

FINANCIAL REPORTS/FUNDING REQUESTS

M/S/C to approve the financial report ending December 2009.

Approved Funding requests

- \$500.00 contribution to sponsor TNBC's Southern California Chapter 2nd Annual Labor Leadership Awards; Saturday, March 6, 2010.
- \$500.00 contribution and annual membership renewal to Labor Project for Working Families.
- \$5,000.00 contribution to sponsor the 29th Annual Pat Brown Institute Awards Dinner; Thursday, April 29, 2010.
- \$5,000.00 donation to the SEIU Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund.
- \$1,000.00 contribution to sponsor the South Coast Botanic Garden's 50th Anniversary; Saturday, April 17, 2010.

- \$500.00 contribution to sponsor Team L.A. Dept. of Transportation Team in the Baker to Vegas athletic competition.
- \$2,500.00 contribution to the Black History Committee of Riverside.
- \$1,000.00 contribution to sponsor the Women Social, Economic, Environmental Justice Advocacy Day in Oxnard, CA; Saturday, March 6, 2010.
- \$2,500.00 contribution to the Los Angeles Black Worker Center.
- \$1,500.00 contribution to sponsor the Orange County Labor Federation's 10th Annual Solidarity Dinner; May 22, 2010.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Gerry Vaughan, Director of Government Relations, gave the monthly COPE Report. M/S/C approve COPE expenditures and recommendations.

Doris Fletcher gave the Senior Committee report and announced that a retreat has been scheduled for May 1, 2010.

Arnella Sims gave an update on the Court Reporters' efforts to fight court closures and the potential layoff of 329 workers by the end of March or April.

NEW BUSINESS

U.S. Census representatives gave a presentation to enlist the union's support for the 2010 Census and emphasized the importance of everyone being counted in California.

Rex Richardson and Lonnie Mason announced that members are giving back to the community by launching a community food bank kickoff event on March 27 in South L.A. All SEIU 721 members and community members will be eligible for assistance.

ADJOURNMENT

The next Board meeting is set for Wednesday, March 10, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the Los Angeles office.

All business being concluded, M/S/C to adjourn meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Rodriguez, Executive Assistant