

SEIU LOCAL 521
WOMEN'S CAUCUS
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 4, 2016

Call To Order: the meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chair Jennifer Jensen.

Those in attendance: Arvelia Via Cooper-Whigham, Darlynn Qualls, Belle Franklin, Dawn Gallegos, Nancy Her, Jennifer Jensen, Casper Padilla (guest), Ronnie Padilla (guest).

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Nancy Her reported as follows: as of March 31, 2016 the Women's Caucus had a balance of \$6,151.95. This balance included the \$1,000 given to the caucus by Social Economic Justice (SEJ) Committee. It included the expenses from January 1, 2016 through March 31, 2016 except for the food expense for February, 2016 and March, 2016. A motion was made by Arvelia Via Cooper-Whigham to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Seconded by Darlynn Qualls. No further discussion. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented.

Secretary's Report: approval of the minutes for February, 2016 and March, 2016 were tabled until May 2, 2016 meeting.

New Business: none

Old Business:

Kid's Day – March 8, 2016: a brief report was presented by Jennifer Jensen. There was 1 member of the Women's Caucus who participated --- Joy Hall- Villareal – in the record breaking fund raiser -- \$600,000 for Valley Children's Hospital.

Queen For A Day – April 9, 2016: the second Queen For A Day of 2016 will be held at Holy Cross Women's Day. Everyone was invited to attend. It was also shared that those who wish to meet meet for breakfast about 7:15 AM at the Denny's Restaurant on Jensen and 99 before proceeding to Holy Cross Women's Day Shelter at 9:00 AM.

CCLI: last month a donation request was made by Jennifer Jensen for sponsorship of the event to see if any other caucus's or committee. Jennifer Jensen reported there was no other caucus participation. ***Arvelia Via Cooper-Whigham made a motion to sponsor the CCLI event on May 7, 2016 with the funding of \$780 to come from the Women's History Month Observance budgeted line and \$220 to come from the Organizing budgeted line item. Seconded by Dawn Gallegos. No further discussion. Vote taken. Motion passed as presented.***

N.A.M.I. Walk May 31, 2016: tabled to next meeting.

Women's History Month Observances at Work Sites: tabled to next meeting.

Revision of By Laws and Mission Statement: Jennifer Jensen handed out copies of the Women's Caucus by-laws. There was discussion as to the updating of the by-laws. The consensus was to review them at the June, 2016 meeting for possible changes. This will give more members time to review.

Open Forum:

Diaper Drive for Holy Cross Women's Day Shelter: Jennifer Jensen handed out flyers for the Annual diaper drives to benefit Holy Cross Women's Day. It was agreed that any donations would be brought to the next meeting for delivery following the meeting. It was also shared There is \$250 budgeted line item to buy diapers and wipes for the diaper drive.

Queen of Couponing: there was discussion of inviting Esmeralda Delgado to come to the next Women's Caucus meeting to teach the art of couponing. Dawn Gallegos will contact her to Invite her to the May 2, 2016 meeting.

Establishing Women's Caucus establishment in Chicago, Illinois: Jennifer Jensen shared that

she had been contacted Krystyna Rozwadowski from SEIU Local 1 in regards to establishing a Women's Caucus.

Adjournment: meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Jensen
Women's Caucus Chair