

## Washington, DC NAACP Branch General Body Meeting Thursday, December 13, 2007 All Nations Church 2001 North Capitol Street, NE Washington, DC 6:30pm

## **MINUTES**

- I. Meeting was called to order at 6:45pm by E. Ned Sloan.
- II. E. Ned Sloan brought greetings.
- III. Councilman David Catania explained the SafeRX Prescription Bill and answered questions from the general membership. It was recommended that the Health Committee research the issues further and make a recommendation to the general body.
- IV. The minutes from the November 8, 2007 General Body Meetings were read silently and approved with noted corrections.
- V. Copies of the DCPS School Closing Legislation were distributed to the general membership and E. Ned Sloan explained the legislation to the membership. The general membership agreed the Education and Political Action Committee should develop a plan of action to respond to the DCPS School closing. The general body approved the NAACP DC Branch to draft a letter to the Council recommending administrative due process rights be added to the legislation.
- VI. The general membership voted on Board Members to be voted into the NAACP National Board of Directors at the National Convention.
- VII. Ruby Lewis announced that Mrs. Louise Langley has resigned as Office Manager as of December 13, 2007. A job description detailing the duties and responsibilities of the Office Manager position will be posted and circulated to the general membership. A search committee will be formed to interview and select candidates. A dinner is being planned to thank Mrs. Langley for her 7 years of service to the NAACP DC Branch on January 23<sup>rd</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup>.
- VIII. Ruby Lewis announced the "Barrier Breakers" Fundraising Gala has been rescheduled for March 5, 2008. It will be held at the Grand Hyatt hotel in Washington, DC. The fundraising goal is to raise \$150,000 to \$200,000 for the branch through selling between 300 and 500 tickets. Entertainment will be provided by the Dynamic Superiors. Ticket prices are \$100 or \$750 per table. Key persons include Nancy Pelosi, Robert McGlotten, Dorothy Jackson, and W. Ronald Evans.

- IX. Committee Reports were distributed, but committee chairs postponed presenting committee reports due to the time.
- X. Sable Nelson, President of the newly formed NAACP DC Area Council announced upcoming activities of the college chapters and the DC Youth Council.
- XI. The next meeting will be held Thursday, January 10, 2008 at 7:00pm in Israel Baptist Church.
- XII. The meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

## Attendees:

Rhonda McManus

Denise Keels

Jack Evans

Rev. James Coleman

Sable Nelson

Wayne Upton

Ardell Woodland

Elnora Fitzgerald

Theresa Johnson

Ruby Lewis

Joe Wynn

Akosua Tyus

Ernestine Brown

E. Ned Sloan

Lorraine Miller