



New Kemet Harambe Chapter

"New Land of the black skinned people pulling together"

RECORD OF MINUTES – FINAL

Wednesday, November 1, 2006
Ralph H. Metcalfe Building
77 West Jackson Blvd., RM 326
11:30AM-1:30PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Brian Bell, Marion Cleveland, Donna Coleman, Ethel Crisp, Penny Hubbard-Greene, Stephanie Kimble, Lillie Metts-Davis, Michelle Radcliffe, Deena Sheppard, Cheryl Simpson, Patricia Stern, Tawanda Thomas, Tony Ward, Gwendolyn Massenburg, Jacqueline Dillard, Prentiss Dixon, Dorian Gray, via phone: William Burch, Sandra Chapman, Sandra Kennedy, Oliver Warnsley, Linda Washington and Kesha Watson. Visitors: Patricia Nelson, Department of Labor; Kasandra Robinson and Gay Chase, Merit Systems Protection Board

Meeting was called to order at 11:40 PM. Chaplain Marion Cleveland provided prayer.

A quorum was established.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA/STANDING RULES

All were reminded to observe Standing Rule No. 9 – turn cell phones off during the meeting. Donna Coleman motioned to adopt the agenda; seconded by Jacqueline Dillard. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF OCTOBER MINUTES

Stephanie Kimble motioned to approve the October minutes with corrections; seconded by Patricia Stern. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

October and November reports are tabled until the December meeting.

OFFICER REPORTS

President Sheppard and Gwendolyn Massenburg represented the Chapter while working the Friends of Bobbie Steele event on Friday, October 27th from 6pm to 8pm.

President Sheppard and Gwendolyn Massenburg, as members of the National Council for Negro Women, provided save the date (11/16/06) flyers for the 20th Anniversary celebration of the organization.

President Sheppard read the Thank You card received from Basia Simpson for the Chapter's donation to her European Trip. The trip allowed Ms. Simpson to participate in the Student Ambassador program.

Recruiting gifts will be distributed to encourage new members to join.

Jacqueline Dillard received a gift for her voluntary work on the coastal clean up.

The National BIG Board meeting will be held in Milwaukee, WI November 2-4, 2006. President Sheppard would like to attend the meeting. Donna Coleman motion for the Chapter to provide \$25.00 to reimburse President Sheppard for gas/miles to attend the meeting; seconded by Ethel Crisp. Motion carried.

President Sheppard made the following committee/officer appointments:

Community Outreach – William Burch, Chair

Program and Planning – Gwendolyn Massenburg, Chair

Parliamentarian – Jacqueline Dillard.

President Sheppard will send an email asking for chair for fundraising. This will help secure more corporate sponsors.

The Chapter website is up and running! Committee Chairs are requested to send committee info to Marie Oliver to add to the website.

President Sheppard would like to give the first Patricia Loyd Handy scholarship in 2007. Gwendolyn Massenburg volunteered to draft the criteria.

No other officer reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership – The Chapter currently has 52 members, 19 Life Members, 6 Gold Plus Members. New members who have joined between September and November are: Shawn Essex, Gay Chase, Patrice Ball-Reed, Dorian Gray, Prentiss Dixon, and Linda Phaire-Washington. Welcome to all the new members!

PROPOSALS

World AIDS Day – William Burch presented the proposal to hold a World AIDS Day Youth Summit event on 12/2/06. Proposal includes: Chapter donating \$250.00 towards the prize for the essay contest, President Sheppard sitting on the host committee and identifying another chapter member to sit on the advisory board. William Burch moved to accept the proposal as presented; seconded by Jacqueline Dillard ?? . Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Joint Christmas Party - Ethel Crisp reminded everyone this event will be held Saturday, December 9, 2006 at the Beverly Woods Restaurant, located at 11532 South Western Avenue in Chicago, from 6:00PM – 12:00PM. The cost of the ticket is \$50.00 per person which goes towards open bar, entertainment, dinner and keepsake. Ethel Crisp reminded all that monies for tickets are due by 11/21/06. Ethel Crisp motioned to have the Chapter donate a color printer for one of the raffle prizes; seconded by Gwendolyn Massenburg. Motion carried.

2006-2007 WORKPLAN DISCUSSIONS

Donna Coleman made a motion to provide funding NTE \$2400.00 for the three 2007 regional council meetings; seconded by Jacqueline Dillard. Motion carried.

Jacqueline Dillard made a motion to allocate \$1,000 funding for the National Training conference (it will be determined later how the funds will be distributed and to whom); seconded by Cheryl Simpson.

Tony Ward made a motion to allocate funds NTE \$300.00 for supplies; seconded by Lillie Metts-Davis. Motion failed.

Ethel Crisp made a motion to allocate \$500.00 for supplies to be maintained by the Corresponding Secretary; seconded by Jacqueline Dillard. Motion carried.

WTTW Channel 11 Membership Drive – (Stephanie Kimble) – Members were reminded of our Chapter’s participation on Saturday November 25th. The shift for participation is 3:45 pm to 6:15 pm. As of today, eight members have volunteered. A follow-up email will be sent to try to reach our goal number of 20. Four additional members volunteered at the meeting.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Ethel Crisp noted that she will be celebrating 37 years of Federal Government Service on January 17, 2007.

Cheryl Simpson noted that she will be celebrating 30 years of service.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10pm.

The next membership meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2006 at 77 West Jackson Boulevard, 16th floor, Conference Room 1612B, 11:30 am. to 1:00 p.m.

Adrienne M. Callahan

Submitted by Adrienne M. Callahan
Recording Secretary