



Durham Workers Rights Commission Meeting 03.28.2023- Virtually via Zoom

Attendees: Brian Powell, Nancy Kalow, Charles Gooch, Council Member Johnson, Mirlesna Azor-Sterlin

Agenda Items:

CALL TO ORDER: 6:18pm

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No one spoke during public comments.

MINUTES/OLD BUSINESS

- A. Note: The vote on the February 28th minutes were held due to no quorum
- B. Brian Powell reminded members of reappointments for the seats on the Board. An email was sent to all members to reapply.
- C. Brian Powell gave a reminder of the Southern Worker's Assembly is in the process of rebuilding and are not having any meetings at this time.
 - Southern Worker's School in Charlotte 4/21-4/23

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

- A. Note: Brian Powell stated there are no updates for the Workers+ Committee. Updates forthcoming when information is received.
 - B. Momma Cookie will be honored with a Momma Cookie Day Proclamation on April 3rd during the City Council Meeting at 6pm.
 - C. Brian Powell stated that on April 4th the Union of Southern Service workers will be kicking off a multi-state strike.
 - D. Farm Workers from "Its Our Future" will be sharing their experiences with forced meal plans on March 29th at 7pm (virtual).
 - E. Brian Powell shared the updates on the negotiations of the Grievance Policy that the WRC has been helping to develop. A panel above the City Manager's Office would be created to be the official decider of Grievance Policy Matters.
 - F. Council Member Johnson shared that a Bill is pending but it does not include City Workers. She stated that a Bill would have to be passed with the General Assembly to include the entire Body not just Fire Fighters like the current
- iv. B. pending Bill states.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-

- A. No New Announcements

Meeting Adjourned at 6:27pm

Next meeting: April 25th at 6pm

Respectfully Submitted by: Ashlee Adams, Secretary to Workers' Right's Commission.