RTC Minutes
Membership Meeting - Hybrid
52 - Broadway, NY. NY

Agenda – October 26, 2023

1. **Chapter Leader’s Report** – (Informational)
   Tom Murphy called the meeting to order and thanked members for attending this meeting being held both in person and virtually. There were two thousand three hundred signed on virtually while in person numbers increased.

   Tributes were paid to George Altomare by Vincent Gaglione, Shelvy-Abrams, Mario Asaro, John Yaeger and Mel Aaronson; George Caulfield by Vincent Gaglione. Tom paid tribute to Vincent Speranza. A moment of silence was observed to honor them.

   Tom reviewed the activities of the Chapter over the summer months notably political phone banks for city elections and joining picket lines for labor Allies such as for Amazon Workers, United Auto Workers and the Writers guild.

   Our retiree volunteer activists remain strong and vibrant.

   Doreen Crinigan and Donald Nobles were elected to the UFT Executive Board to fill vacancies and Aladji Sow received the Marsh/Raimo Award at Teacher Union Day.

2. **Greetings** –
   Debra Penny spoke about the data breach. TRS has reached out to members via mail to offer a 2-year protection for their accounts. New retirees’ pension would be recalculated based on the new contract. Social Security COLA will increase by 3.2% next year.

3. **Health Care Update** –
   Michael Mulgrew, UFT President. Addressed the meeting virtually. He told members that the Healthcare issue is still being worked on and assured members that everything is being done to keep members benefit intact. A key issue that must be addressed is the City’s Administrative Code which stipulates that the City is only obligated to provide one Health Plan for all City Retirees.
4. **Agenda Modified** –
The agenda was truncated because of a scheduled protest demonstration in the Wall Street area to facilitate members to safely leave the area before the demonstration.

5. **Future meetings** –
   November 28th at 3:30 PM – Identity Theft/Fraud
   December 19th – Preview of 2024 by AFT
   January 23rd and February 5th – Annual/Benefits meeting

6. **Adjournment** –
The meeting ended with a recorded rendition by the late George Altomare of “Solidarity Forever” which moved in-person members present to call for an encore which was granted.
The meeting adjourned.
Respectfully Submitted,
Chaitram Aklu