

Rise and Resist, November 27, 2018 Meeting Minutes

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Elevator Action Group Report Back: Jessica Murray

Re: At Baruch College, at hearing on proposed fare hikes on Paratransit (Access-a-Ride) fares. +\$.25 per trip. A round trip, now \$5.50 would be \$6.00. With allied groups Transit Center, CIDNY, People's MTA. Signs, chanting. Press presence: NY1

Elevator Group Action action: Thursday, 11/29, at 11:00. 8th Ave and 25th Street.

Jennifer Bartlett: Asking to send letter to Women's March without a lot of other signatories.

Action update: 11/29 NYSE RESIST

Quiet action using our RESIST lights at the lighting of the Wall Street Christmas tree. Marshalls assemble at 4:15 at Wall Street and Broad Street. **Actions committee and Immigration Committee will be holding poster party** during the meeting Wednesday, Nov. 28 between 6 and 9 at The Peoples Forum.

Call for new facilitators to come to training in January

New Actions

Patricia Okoumou's court date December 17 at 9:00. She's asking for **support** day at 500 Pearl Street.

Protect Mueller Action, Wrolf:

TRUMP IS NOT ABOVE THE LAW. National action committee triggers action based on 4 red lines being crossed around the investigation. Facebook date (1/1/2020) is a placeholder. People should sign up on FB to be notified when one of the 4 lines have been crossed and action is scheduled. Discussion of complexities of working with a national group (March for Truth) because of confusion around the Sessions firing action.

Social Outing: Andy Ratto: To Brooklyn Museum to the exhibit Soul of a Nation: Art in the Age of Black Power. Sunday, December 9, time to be arranged around gallery tour time. FB event to come.

Chore sign-up for December meetings. Donna Gould passed the sign up sheet.

Open discussion of Tijuana border situation:

Katrina: call for medics and other medical personnel. Stu: most folks don't know that asylum was instituted after WWII because of the Jews we didn't let in. Mary Hawkins: most people don't know the lengthy laborious process involved in applying for asylum. Get a speaker on that? Diane, background in Central American affairs, gangs created in LA prisons, guys were deported to Honduras etc where they continued to be gangs. People fleeing are genuinely running for their lives. Jessica: ref. article in Vox about recent immigration history. Elka: Vivian Armory (sp?) RaR member is at the border now, posting on FB. As a direct action group we should act strongly but how to focus? Mark Milano: People only allowed to enter at official checkpoints now which probably illegal. Has friend driving to Tijuana who needs money for asylum seekers. Christina: grew up with people from Mexico who were also deaf, realizing the extent of their trauma plus no communication at border for deaf kids. John: RAFNYC supports asylum seekers and refugees in NYC as they go through the process – people can support them as a local action. Jamie: what could RaR do to focus on Trump's role. Jody: connect to the anger. Katrina: dress as wall, do religious thing. Stu: We can't turn away, gotta do something like blocking 5th Ave for the separated children! Jamie: Doing a CD in the next 10 days is hard but possible. Decided to devote 10 minutes at meeting;s end to brainstorming

Making MetroCards available to get to meetings and actions. ActUp and VOCAL do it. Get round trip cards at PayOMatic machines and don't have to pay the extra \$1 each. We would buy a stack and Kellen would distribute at meetings, maybe keep in box. AJ Musty grant will only reimburse MetroCards to demos.

Vote: Should we have MetroCards to get to RaR events. Passed.

Comms/Media. Dann. Requesting live-streamers to post stuff on FB. Andy. FB events page will have info about event accessibility: wheelchair, ASL,

MetroCards. Everyone should use their own Social Media to get people to winter events. Diane - order more calendars.

Finance: Susan Lee. Submit receipts for copying, etc. Current net: \$13,000 +.

Board of Officers meeting: Officers can only serve two years, need new people every year, must meet every year. Sunday, January 13, 2019.

Non RaR announcements

Make the Road. Monday, December 3, 12:00, at City Hall. Action in support of Dream Act and Driver's licenses. From Jody.

Reclaim Pride is having a meeting at Peoples Forum, Wednesday, December 5, 7:00, about having their own 2019 March. Everyone should do SM endorsement of Reclaim Pride March! From Andy for Phillip.

St. Luke's coat giveaway, December 18. From Katrina.

Immigration Action Brainstorming.

Jamie: Presented options: CD (stealth) action or action that might have arrest outcome or action leave warning and leave action.