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Board of Governors

Meeting Minutes for May 13, 2009

**Meeting location: Government Accountability Office,
Washington, DC**

Participants: Revae Moran (President) chaired the meeting. Participating were: Chris Johannson, Bonnie Summers (Treasurer), Kaori Nakamura, Janet Stern Solomon, David Jacobs, Fred Stahl (Secretary), and Olivier Villey

Revae called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

1. Review and approval of last month’s Board Meeting Minutes

Approved minutes of March 11.

2. Treasurer's Report (attached)

Bank balance as of May 13, 2009: \$4,763.68. See enclosed Treasurer’s report

Reminder – New Annual dues – As approved at the previous Board meeting, annual dues for 2010 will be

Regular member	\$40	Online \$38
Retired	\$30	Online \$28
Student	\$20	Online \$18

Reminder – New Luncheon fees – As a reminder, at the same meeting the Board raised fees for luncheon events by \$5 in each category:

Non-member	\$30	Online \$29
Member	\$25	Online \$24
Student	\$15	Online \$14

The new schedule of luncheon fees went into effect April 9.

3. Membership Committee Report

Recruiting members

As of this date, we have 34 current members. Here are recruiting actions we discussed:

- (1) We agreed to set up a DCLERA membership table at the National Policy Forum. Bonnie offered to share her BCBSA table.

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(2) We will plan to encourage joining when attendees register at the check-in table at our May 27 luncheon and at the Dinner Meeting.

(3) We will send out letters to former Chapter members, LERA members in the Washington, and friends of DCLERA inviting them to renew, rejoin, or join our Chapter. (Those personalized emails were sent out to 166 recipients on 19 and 29 May.)

(4) Marel Mallari is doing a great job consolidating and cleaning up our mailing lists. The names and email addresses are solid. She is working on the postal addresses.

(5) Fred Stahl – Update DCLERA brochure.

(6) David Schlein – Check status of NEA organizational membership.

4. Luncheon Programs

May 27 – This event will be an unparalleled perspective from DCLERA’s International Board members on a hot topic: **International developments in industrial labor relations, with a special look at the auto industry.** **Markus Franz** will talk about the broader industrial situation in Germany while **Andreas Rueger**, also from the Germany Embassy, will address the country’s automobile industry. **Kaori Nakamura** will speak on industrial relations in Japanese companies, including automakers. **Olivier Villey** will present perspectives on industrial relations in France. The program will be at the Woman’s National Democratic Club.

September 23 – Thanks to Chris Johannson, our speaker for September will be Jim Hunter, Utility Division director at the Electrical Workers (IBEW). He is a leader and visionary dedicated to bringing views of labor to issues of green jobs. Revae suggested that we add a second speaker. Chris took action to suggest names to the Board.

October 28 – Janet Stern Solomon secured Charles Craver as the speaker for our October meeting. Craver is Freda H. Alverson Professor of Law, George Washington University Law School, and a nationally known labor lawyer and arbitrator. Tentatively she and he agreed that his topic will probe **negotiations and the effects of EFCA**. Craver will be an engaging speaker addressing a controversial topic. It promises to be a fascinating event.

5. June 10, 2009 DCLERA Dinner Meeting

New developments – Smith & Wollensky will host our dinner. This downtown DC restaurant is known for excellent cuisine, warm atmosphere, and impeccable service. See [Dinner Meeting Details](#) for more information on this great event.

6. Convening the Executive Advisory Council

Revae reported that the DCLERA Board will confer with the Executive Advisory Council to seek their advice on several issues. It will be a continental breakfast

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meeting on Friday, June 12. The venue will be that of the National Policy Forum, Cafritz Conference Center at GWU and will be scheduled to precede the first session. This meeting will replace our previously scheduled June Board meeting, which was cancelled.

Our Executive Advisors are

Iain Gold	International Brotherhood of Teamsters
Rachel Hendrickson	National Education Association
Eileen Hoffman	Federal Mediation & Conciliation Service
Gordon Pavy	AFL-CIO

7. Next Board Meeting (First Meeting with new Executive Advisory Board)

8 am, Friday, June 12, 2009

**Cafritz Conference Center at GW University
800 21st St., NW, Suite 204**

Foggy Bottom Metro

Revae adjourned the Board at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred Stahl, Board Secretary,
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2009 DCLERA Calendar

Meeting	Date/Time	Location
May Luncheon Mtg	Wednesday, May 27 Noon	An unparalleled perspective from DCLERA's international Board members on International developments in industrial labor relations, with a special look at the auto industry Woman's National Democratic Club
June Board Mtg	Wednesday, June 3	June meeting replaced with meeting with Executive Advisory Committee on Friday, June 12 (see below)
DCLERA Annual Dinner	Wednesday, June 10 6 pm No-host reception 7 pm Dinner 7:45 Speaker	Featured speaker: Harold Meyerson, <i>Washington Post</i> columnist. Venue: Smith & Wollensky Restaurant Washington, DC
National Policy Forum	Thursday and Friday, June 11 and 12	Cafritz Conference Center - George Washington University
Executive Advisory Committee Breakfast	8 am, Friday, June 12	Cafritz Conference Center
July	No Board or luncheon meetings	
August		
Sept Board Mtg	Wednesday, Sept. 9	GAO U.S. Gov't Accountability Office 441 G St., NW – Room 5950A Washington, DC 20548 1 block north of Judiciary Metro (red line) – or 3 blocks east of Gallery Place metro (yellow line) Contact Revae re: parking – 202.512.3863 or moranr@gao.gov
Sept Luncheon Mtg	Wednesday, Sept. 23	WNDC
October Board Mtg	Wednesday, Oct. 14	GAO
Oct Luncheon Mtg	Wednesday, Oct. 28	WNDC
November Board Mtg	Thursday, Nov. 12 (Day after Veterans Day)	GAO
Nov Luncheon Mtg	Wednesday, Nov. 18	WNDC
December Board Mtg	Wednesday, Dec. 9	GAO
Dec Luncheon Mtg	Wednesday, Dec. 16	WNDC

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Treasurer's Report

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Sun Trust Balance

Balance as of May 13, 2009 4,763.68
Includes PayPal trsfr

Revenue included above:

Revenue new membership
Ernie DuBester (04/09/09) 30.00
Aileen Rappaport 30.00
Charles Jeszeck 30.00
Daniel DiJames 30.00

Revenue renewals
Nathan Seidman 30.00
New Organizational Membership
(BCBSA-NLO) 200.00
Intl Brotherhood of Boilermakers 200.00
April 22, Luncheon Revenue 745.00
May 27, Luncheon Revenue (4) 96.00
June 10, Dinner Revenue (7) 406.00

Expenses included in balance:

February Luncheon Expenses 777.22
April Luncheon Expenses 875.46
\$1,652.68

Final Balance 4763.68

Submitted by: _____
Bonnie Summers May 13, 2009

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