

## Rise and Resist General Meeting - Zoom Edition - 2.1.2022

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**Facilitators:** Stu and Jamie **Notes:** Alex

Reminder of new policy for requesting Elizabeth to be present for ASL Interpretation. Please let [media@riseandresist.org](mailto:media@riseandresist.org) know as soon as possible if you know of someone who is interested.

### **Good News:**

#### **Court overturns oil leases in the Gulf of Mexico**

- Biden leased 1.8 m acres of drilling rights in the Gulf, following Trump's initiative. Judge undid the lease because it was based on highly flawed data, and the whole thing was thrown out.

#### **New York State redistricting**

- <https://www.cityandstateny.com/politics/2022/02/takeaways-new-redistricting-proposals-new-york-state-senate-and-assembly/361442/>
  - o The 11<sup>th</sup> District, Maliotakis's, added all of Park Slope, and strengthened Delgado's District 19.
  - o NY State as a whole lost a congressional district, because we were 80 people below what was required.
  - o Lee Zeldin's district (he is running for Governor) will become bluer. People are predicting 4 Republicans and 20 Democratic State Legislature.
  - o Kenney will run in a different district, not against Delgado, - southern tier, safe R district
  - o Candidate Brittany Ramos De Barros will be primarying against Max Rose; much more progressive.
    - <https://www.brittanyforthepeople.org/>
- o <https://www.syracuse.com/politics/2022/01/rep-claudia-tenney-will-run-in-new-go-p-leaning-district-giving-up-utica-area.html>

### **Upcoming/New Actions:**

**Wednesday, Feb 2nd at 1PM first monthly INDICT action will be at Federal Courthouse - 40 Foley Square.**

- <https://fb.me/e/20U9I5qIv>
- We will reinvent the Indict action of Jan 6 on a smaller scale.
- It is important to go out once a month as it was to do Jan 6 action.
  - o Trump is talking about pardons for those indicted.
  - o Going after Pence.
  - o POC in Georgia and NY who are prosecuting Trump are being threatened and are asking for protection.
- We will use Indict Trump, Garland Do Your Job banners

**VOCAL Thursday, Feb. 3, 5PM – “We are Not Going Back”- meet on Frederick Douglass Blvd. 121st St.**

- <https://vocal.ourpowerbase.net/civicrm/event/register?id=3878&reset=1>
- <https://vocal.ourpowerbase.net/civicrm/mailling/view?reset=1&id=9261>
- o This march counters the backlash being whipped up by Mayor Adams against Alvin Bragg
  - o Bail reform,
  - o Protest adding a “dangerousness standard” that will worsen conditions in Rikers and allow for preventive detention.
- o Do we want to have a RaR presence? And how shall we work the VOCAL?
  - o This is a Black led march
  - o In the past BLM marchers have been glad that we joined as long as we followed their lead.
- o RaR role/banners will be discussed in Actions Committee

**Next Immigration Vigil Thursday, Feb 10th, at 5PM in the Oculus.**

- o We will not put up a FB event, because the last Oculus action drew a lot of white shirts who refused to allow us to use banners.
- o We will make a surprise appearance with banners and signs.
- o There are two themes:
  - o Seeking asylum is not a crime: Title 42 exclusions.
    - Many Venezuelans were deported to Colombia by Biden Administration
  - o A path to citizenship for all.

### **Healthcare Committee**

- There will be a 2/14/22 Action on healthcare and housing justice
  - o We will hold a vote next week when we have more information.

### **Report Backs:**

**Thursday 1/27 Riders Alliance at Hochul’s Office** - put off until next week  
Jennifer will report next week

**Friday, 1/28 Just Look Up at ABC Studios:**

- This action called out networks (ABC in this case) which are not reporting on climate.
  - o We could see the news people seeing us.

- o It was very cold, so few people were on the street.
- o Action generated an effective social media campaign.
- A week after the action: New York Times reported that weather people are showing the climate context in their weather reports.
  - o The lead group featured was ABC, and the “Climate Unit” was mentioned.
  - o Was this a coincidence?
  - o <https://www.nytimes.com/2022/01/29/business/meteorologists-storm-weather-climate-change.html>

### **Say Their Names - every Friday at 4:30PM 96th and Broadway**

- Canceled due to snow. We played it safe.
- We look forward to this Friday.

### **Truth Tuesday at Fox - every Tuesday at 12noon at 48th and 6th**

- We were prepared for Gutfeld to come by, and he did.
  - o We surrounded him with signs like “lying man-child”, “racist”.
  - o Gutfeld said he was sassy but not a racist. Possibly liked the attention.
- <https://twitter.com/TruthOverFox/status/1488621895998218248>
- <https://twitter.com/TruthOverFox/status/1488561201651109891>
- There was a tense moment with George, Nydia and a passer by who was in their faces. George got shoved. Police got out of their cars to intervene.
- Passers-by are more and more tense.
- This is what happens when you engage in very direct action; you get blow back.
- There were also many thumbs up.
- Street is not populated; the fact we are there is positive. We are having conversations, and Fox knows we are there.
- **Spectrum subscribers try to UnFox their cable box.**
  - o Activists tried to get FIOS out of their subscription and were not able to.
  - o Karin and Jenny volunteered to do this.
    - Holly Atkinson will provide them the necessary info.
  - o This is potentially an action with a lot of traction in NYC.

### **Non-Rise and Resist Actions**

#### **Sat Feb 5th - protest NYC plans for permanent restaurant sheds 12 noon - Father Demonic Sq. (Bleecker/6th Ave.)**

- o Photographs showed bags of garbage and rats all over.
- o The sheds were made permanent with no discussion with the communities in NYC except for the restaurant lobby.
- o We are suing for a basic Environmental Impact statement
- o Our goal is to start over, and to have the sheds reviewed and discussed by all stakeholders.

**Sat Feb 5 at 3 pm. No more wars demonstration at BWay and Duffy Square/Times Square**

- o Call your Senator and Representatives

**Progressive Dems Group Thursday Feb 3 at 8 pm/5 pm PT, zoom on Climate Policy**

- Climate Policy Briefing Climate Liaison Policy Briefing: FGPA
- <https://fwwatch.zoom.us/j/95196417062?from=addon>
  - o This is the zoom link for Thursday

Rise and Resisters celebrated **Alvin's memoir, Our Laundry, Our Town, My Chinese American Life from Flushing to the Downtown Stage and Beyond** published by Fordham U. Press, which will be coming out on May 3.