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Notes - Alexandra Facilitators - Jamie and Livvie

Welcome - NYPD or Law enforcement - Please identify yourselves, Journalists - please identify yourselves if you are reporting on this meeting. To general membership: Just because people have not self-identified as NYPD or Journalists doesn't mean that there aren't police or journalists present. We welcome journalists and their media entities, but we ask that they identify themselves in the event that people do not want to be recorded.

Please put your phones away; let's remain present.

Folks who are in spaces like this normally speak a lot. We ask that you step back, and give space to people who may not be as comfortable speaking in a group to step up. We ask new folks to feel empowered to ask questions, to speak up, and to participate.

Introduction: There were perhaps 10 new people at the meeting, which was full.

REPORT BACKS

Banner Drop Citi Field Saturday, Sept 7

Virginia and other participants in the action reported back: There were 12 demonstrators including and 4 banner holders. Mary H. designed the banner. "Immigrants make baseball Great" banner was dropped. At the 8th inning, demonstrators stood outside the ballfield and people took selfies with the banner; there was lots of enthusiasm. Decision not to wear shirts with messages kept the focus on the banner. Next time there need to be flyers. Mary shared idea to get the file to other activist groups and have them print a banner themselves. Martin and Dann did a lot to get the action out on social media. Great action!

CNN Climate Debate (Town Hall) Sept 4

Sandy B: About 150 to 300 people marched in the Hudson Yards area. Mary H's signs were excellent. A number of people joined the rally. Hudson Yards was a good action space. Event

made the “New Yorker” magazine. Sandy went inside from 6 pm till after 11, (about 200 people in the audience) and heard Biden, Bernie, Booker, Warren, Buttigeg. Booker who spoke late at night was excellent. Each candidate was interviewed for about 40 minutes. About 1million views of the livestream.

UPCOMING RAR ACTIONS

No Raids/Close The Camps/Abolish ICE silent demos

Thursday, September 12, at 5:30PM at Washington Sq. Park

Jamie: This location was selected for variety from usual actions. Plan is to always have signs for “Next Action.” Next action TBD in Actions Committee which will be on Weds at 6pm, 256 West 38th St., 12th floor. Martin asked members to please send an alert to Media@riseandresist.org for press. Actions are rain or shine unless dire weather conditions.

United In Outrage – Resistance March – Monday, September 23rd 5:30PM 42nd/5th Ave to Washington Square Park: Marshalls arrive at 5, march starts at 6.

Martin and Diane: 933 RSVPS’ on FB. Josh is helping. News coverage is indicating that there are more actions overall than at any other time since the 1960’s. Diane has been working hard to get organizational endorsements (55 obtained so far). More responses needed from disabled community, and criminal justice community, and healthcare, Cosecha. If you have connections with these groups, talk to Diane.

Jody: We have 500 leaflets and 500 + posters for putting up in neighborhood; we will be flyering at other actions prior to this march, and members are encouraged to flyer.

This is prior to Trump coming to NY. He will be first to speak at UN session. He will not be speaking at climate convocation.

Request: \$700 for flyers etc. At a next meeting there will be a request of \$ for wheelchair rental.

RaR voted to approve \$700 for this action.

Alexis and Jamie: we will need to push 10 wheelchairs, and return them to designated area. We are consulting with organizers of the Dyke March on how to do this.

Climate Week 9/20-27

Climate Emergency – No More Business As Usual – Weds, September 25th 8:00AM to 9 AM Plaza Hotel

Livvie: members made 3 enormous banners at Rick’s; there will be a regular demonstration and a vague action too. Support is needed.

Two pre-action orientations 9/19 and 9/21; location and time TBD

John explained what Civil Disobedience action is, and what the need for support is.

67 or so RSVP’s so far; more are needed.

This climate action relates to every RaR working group; urgency of climate change activism discussed as well as importance of working with “Outrage.”

Handmade signs will be made at Livvie and Stu’s: 12 Bedford Street, Sept. 16 at 7 pm.

Please hand out the Climate Emergency action flyers at other actions!

RAR participation in 9/20 Climate Strike 12 noon at Foley Square to Battery Park

1.7 thousand RSVPs

Marylin Vasta, approached RaR to see if we can provide a leadership role in coordinating this strike; Alexis said that she can help with CD, marshalling, and invited others to join her in taking on a leadership role.

FACILITATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RaR has been invited to **The People's Forum Celebration of their one year anniversary which will be held on 9/13 from 6 to 10**. Philip, Alex and Mark H will be attending. Here is the link to RSVP.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfLuXYn6VnhXY9hD1jx8Fv14HmJt3HHzUrlubGJcCnyqup-2Q/viewform>

Facilitators: We'd love to recruit you to facilitate with us!

A sign-up sheet was handed out. There will doodle poll for times/dates for facilitator training. Weekly facilitator meeting is generally on Mondays at 5 pm

Time at a meeting to talk about RAR role in primaries and when candidates come to NYC?

Jamie initiated the idea of 30 minute discussion at RaR's general meeting next week (9/17). Come ready with ideas. For example, do we want to look at voter suppression and voter registration? Candidates will be coming to NYC. How do we want to respond?

Check out Elections group website to see Elections activities already in the works.

Mary H discussed postcard signing parties; there are several; they need specific actions to write about.

RaR approved ½ hour discussion of RaR's role in primaries for next Tuesday 9/17

Upcoming Civil Disobedience and Marshal Trainings

Alexis: This is busiest time in terms of activism she has witnessed in 30 years.

Saturday, Sept. 14 Civil Disobedience training: 11 to 4. Tompkins Sq. Park Library

Tuesday, Sept. 17 Marshall training for non RaR members; 2 hours Jefferson Market Library

Thursday, Sept. 19 Marshall training for RaR members: Northwell Health, 200 West 13th Street 6 to 8 pm;

3 Court report backs – 2/15 Trial related to 2/15 action postponed; for 7/15 action, there were mixed results at two arraignments

Jamie: Court was very disorganized, chaotic. Those members who were involved thanked people who came to support at short notice.

Court cases yesterday (9/9) and today (9/10); in the first situation, everyone was offered same ACD.

DA would not agree to ACD, though all defendants were willing to take it. The judge documented that the defendants had all agreed to ACD's and the DA refused. There will be a future court case on October 30. There will be a FB posting about this.

7 of 9 people were offered ACD's. This triggered "solidarity" in which those members offered ACD's refused them unless the full group was offered ACD's. Discussion about how arbitrary the justice system is; we want to be offered consistent responses; more space for first amendment contestation.

NEW RAR ACTIONS

None presented. There was discussion of actions for new people at the meeting.

FINANCE

\$283 was collected at the meeting; There is \$12,200 total in the bank

NON-RAR ACTIONS

Close The Camps Action along with Cosecha 9/14 – do we want a contingent/banners?

Saturday Sept 14, 11 to 2 at NY Public Library; plan is to recruit for this action at the Thursday (9/12) Vigil.

- **Newark anti-ICE demonstration Thursday 10/3 from 3 to 6 pm outside the ICE Field Office; organized by DSA and NJ Never Again Action.**

Jay: There will be a rolling picket.... This is being organized by the Jewish Faith Community, led by a member of Beth Elohim in Park Slope; all are welcome.

ICE Detention Center is right behind Penn Station in Newark

Last week there was an assemblage of 400 people of faith in Newark, including people who got arrested

Endorsement requested

RaR voted to endorse this 10/3 anti ICE action.

- **East River Park Demo 9/23 at 3pm**

Virginia: Giuliani is hosting a fundraiser on 9/11 37 East 50th at Maloney and Porcelli Restaurant:

- **Community of East River Park south of Williamsburg Bridge**

9/21 at 12 noon: march will start at Tompkins Square Park.

Plan to bulldoze the entire Park to prevent floods, including NYCHA housing

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- Governor stated yesterday (9/9/19) that elevator accessibility must be increased.

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