

May 23 and 24 commentary –

May 23 - Monthly Board Meeting - One members comment:

As expected, Wednesday's meeting was nasty.

Sustained efforts to sabotage reform efforts are evident by a few board members, who still have the majority vote, with the assistance of their attorney.

It is highly unlikely the continuance of the Annual Meeting will take place. That wasn't up for discussion, by intention.

No doubt behind the scenes conniving continues. Comments by trustees who normally would never speak up on serious issues, suddenly find their voice, albeit with some uneasiness. Coaching is all too evident. What is legal and what is not legal is irrelevant because there are no consequences for their behavior. They have their defensive attorney and the members pay the fees.

It should be more than apparent by now that The Board has become dysfunctional and spiteful against the members. There is only one option, throw the bums out. There will be an opportunity later this year, unless there is a petition drive earlier.

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May 24 Comments –

It is unfortunate that Wednesday's board meeting was so poorly attended as it was a high or low point in bad behavior in a series of bad behaviors by the board against the members. The agenda which was not readily available (Mrs. Latasa "forgot" to provide them) did not mention the Continuance Meeting voted upon at the 2013 Annual Members' Meeting after the lawyer declared a lack of quorum, a questionable ruling. The reason for the omission was so bizarre that without the tapes posted below, no one would believe it.

Prescilla Mauldin stated that Trustee Wagner's motion to continue the 2013 Annual Meeting was illegal because (she claimed) Wagner had not been recognized by the chair. Almost immediately after her statement, Dave Wade chimed in with the claim that since Charlie did not have on the pink armband, he had no right to speak or make a motion. Attorney Lorna Wiggins chimed right in to back Dave. Charlie started to refute these ridiculous claims but President Aguilar grabbed his gavel and banged and banged with the statement that they were moving on to the next item on the agenda. Watch the tapes! And remember that a parliamentarian was present at this meeting and would have called any motion out of order if it indeed was out of order.

What happens now? This board, management and attorney consider themselves above the law and bylaws. The lawyers will be consulted with but the ultimate solution must be political. With the exception of Anne Dorrough, District 5, who is very new to the board and Charlie Wagner, District 2, who has fought for reform for the past seven years, this board must go. Three of them, Prescilla Mauldin, Luis Aguilar and Don Wolberg, end their terms December 31, 2013 but they can do a lot of damage in those seven months. The cry for recalls here is loud. The District 3 seat must be filled by a ethical member who will always consider the members' interest. The same holds true for District 2 because Trustee Wagner will not run again.

The other two trustees, Leo Cordova and Dave Wade, were reelected in October, 2012 and there are many requests for a recall of both of them. Dave Wade's election should be investigated.

If anyone ever questioned the value of the District 5 resolutions, the over the top action against them: Not putting the resolutions on the 2013 ballot as called for by bylaw, shutting the meeting down on a bogus quorum issue and stonewalling the Continuance Meeting, should settle that question. The District 5 resolutions will be voted on by the members if not at the Continuance Meeting at a Special Meeting called by petition of the members. District members can also circulate a petition to recall their trustees(s) at the same time.