

Minutes of NWICAIW Meeting April 8, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Carolyn, the new co-chair. The minutes from the last meeting were approved. Tony gave the treasurer's report. Total funds is \$5,193. Of that \$3,049 is dedicated to signs, leaving \$2,144 in the general fund.

OLD BUSINESS

- Tony reported that the billboards in East Chicago and Gary are up. Each pair will be up at their location for one month.
- The rest of the meeting was taken up with discussion about the Cindy Sheehan visit and program on April 11. Paul reported that he, Ed, and Robin called 51 labor affiliates to get members to the event. Carolyn reported that the teachers union said "no" to promoting it. Nick reported that it would cost \$200 to have two campus police at the event from 7-10 PM. Sy suggested that we let the Gary police know. Nick will. There will be a Q&A after Cindy speaks. People will write out and submit questions ahead of time. Karen is in charge of logistics, and Nick has been working with Nancy in Raoul's office to coordinate logistics as well. There will be an exhibit of Boots along the stage to commemorate the 76 Indiana deaths, and everyone is encouraged to bring shoes to commemorate the Iraqi civilian deaths. Carolyn is bringing the coalition items for sale. There will be tables for sales, donations, sign in, and literature. Two hundred copies of Cindy's first book, *Not One More Mother's Child*, will be given out to anyone who gives a donation. We paid \$375 for the books, and we will recoup the expenses for that and for security from donations. The rest of the money will be donated to the fledgling Northwest Indiana chapter of Iraq Vets Against the War. The program was discussed: the MC John Gunn, a musician Dr. Jesus Negrete, 7 speakers at 5 minutes each (three Iraq vets, Tammy Davis, Chuck Hughs, Lorenzo Crowell), CINDY, introduced by Nick, and an appreciation award (a peace pipe) to be presented to Cindy by Ashley Noble, whose father is serving in Iraq. Everyone is asked to be there at 6:30 to set up.

There were UFPJ announcements by Tony.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is April 22 at 7PM at Temple Israel in Miller.