DC NLG EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES: SEPT 4, 2019
Held at law offices of Anitra Ash-Shakoor

Present: Turna Lewis, Chair, Anitra Ash-Shakoor, James Drew, James Klimaski, John McCoy, Bill Montross, Ann Wilcox (not present: Quentin Driskoll)

I. **Board Minutes (Aug 2019)** were reviewed and approved. We will post to Board web-site and circulate on chapter list-serve.

II. **Technical Consultant Contract**: We discussed a proposed contract submitted by technical consultant Max Rameau. We considered the scope of services (to include an updated website, list-serves and related services); suggestions were given to Turna as Chair, to relay to Max. The contract was not approved, pending suggested changes.

III. **DC Statehood Chapter advocacy**: Jim Klimaski will monitor and participate in DC Statehood advocacy, toward the chapter being more active on this issue. A Congressional hearing on the Statehood bill is scheduled for Thurs, Sept 19; Jim will attend a networking meeting of organizations promoting DC Statehood. We will also liaise with grass-roots organizations such as StandUp/Free DC.

IV. **BIEAC Grant Proposal**: Turna presented the grant proposal of the Black Identity Extremist Abolition Collective (BIEAC), of which NLG is a coalition member. We made suggestions and are supporting the submission of the Grant Proposal to the NLG Foundation, for funding consideration. BIEAC is planning a series of education programs in 3 pilot cities, among other plans. DC NLG will pledge $500 over one year, toward this effort.

V. **Response to Grievance of Aneesa Khan, re 2019 Board Elections**: The board has asked Aneesa Khan to present her grievance in writing, and will act on any response that we receive.

VI. **By-Laws Revisions**: There are several pending revisions to the NLG Chapter by-laws (some wording changes, and some substantive). We will consider these again at the October 2019 board meeting, and present to the membership at a subsequent membership meeting. (Membership meeting now set for Oct 30, 2019).

VII. **Student Disorientation, Sept 21 at GULC**: Ann and Anitra reported that the 2019 Student Disorientation will take place at Georgetown Univ Law Center, on Sat, Sept 21; it looks like an excellent program Panels include a student panel; panel of public interest practitioners; and keynote remarks by activist Derecka Purnell. We will contribute $100 to the program costs.

Minutes submitted by Ann Wilcox, Recording Secretary