PetroBronx II

Phil - I talked with Domingo and his idea was to do a larger event, with pretty much the same people involved, but bring out more community people. We would also try to get more community people involved with the project.

At the general meeting Ana said she was interested in doing workshops either at the event or leading up to/out of the event.

Jean Most people don't really understand what is at stake in these trade agreements. We need to find a way to break it down, so that is much easier to understand.

Adam Not sure if event is the most effective way to get out to people.

Leonard Think it is pretty effective.

Jean People in the S. Bronx need to decide how this ties to their interests.

Adam With finite resources why are we doing work in a district where the congressman is with us?

Phil- We are also trying to mobilize people in all parts of the city. This is good way to do that. PetroBronx is very concrete, very understandable and if we can link it to a different way to think about free trade, then it serves our agenda of wanting to educate communities about free trade and trade agreements.

Leonard- We have four events coming up. Which ones do we put effort into? Meeks and Townes event is most important, because they voted against us and this will have impact on them.

Carlos event in Sunset Park. Valasquez is with us and it's her district.

Leonard- Need to talk to Carlos, left to future discussion with Carlos. Will call him.

Leonard- Need to get in contact with community groups in Meeks and Towns district. We still haven't talked to people. Phil needs to talk with Dana Washington.

Leonard- will follow up with Jaime re his contacts in the district. If other people want to call people at 1199 please do.

Jean -We can look up chamber of commerce contacts in Meek's district. Do some kind of literature piece informing them of the situation.

Adam- Do forum where we invite Meeks.

Adam- We decided to do an event in Towns district, rather than Meeks.

Adam- Need to try to do a community meeting with some groups by end ot the month of Feb.

Leonard- I'll talk with Burke and Public Citizen re Press Conference

Leonard- Need to keep in touch with the people in the Bronx, will call Domingo and see how we can get involved with helping with next event. Need to get someone to the meetings.

Julian- Don't like ALBA. Chavez talking about building pipline through Amazon to Argentina. Will hurt environment.

Leonard Julian need to talk with Phil re people to sign on Pelosi letter.

Julian will call Phil tomorrow.