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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

June 1, 2011

Present: Patricia Van Duser, Judy LeRoy, Ellen Hart, Jeanne Daley, David Brown, Josh Conn, Carol Franklin, Sherri Hall, James Nee, Linda Vinti, Marlayna Wiley.

Meeting was called to order at 4:45 PM

Approval BOD Minutes for May 4, 2011

Moved: E. Hart

Second: J. Conn

Passes Unanimously

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Met with Teaching Assistants at Horizons on Hudson to invite retiring Teaching Assistants to Friends of Education Dinner. There is a waiting list of attendees who will be invited on a space available basis.
2. The investigation at NFA continues.
3. Letter from B. Goodman shared. NTA will continue on working towards the goal of making communication more fluid with general membership.
4. NTA needs to mobilize positive members to attend the Delegate Assemblies.
5. Chart delineating the responsibilities of the NTA President was shared.
6. Tarrytown Leadership Conference Course Descriptions details shared.
7. Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk will take place at Woodbury Commons and Dutchess Stadium this coming October. Planning has begun for NTA participation in this event at both locations.
8. Teaching Assistant budget shared.
9. Committee responsibilities and stipends discussed. Starting in the fall, attendance at Delegate Assembly and Political Action events will be an expectation of committee chairpersons and members.
10. Will be conducting meetings to determine the feasibility of combining and/ or enlarging committees in an effort to curtail expenses in these difficult economic times.
11. Bargaining continues, but we need to have a general membership meeting before the end of this school year to update members if no contract is ratified.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Teaching Assistants who are retiring are invited to the Friend of Education Dinner.
2. Attended the Board of Education meeting on May 31, 2011.
3. Attended the May 14, 2011 Youth Parade which had a good turnout from the community.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Attached.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION # 1

Whereas, duties of delegates of the NTA are “to represent their prospective school, and shall have the responsibility to report back to the building members as promptly as possible on all actions taken at the Delegate Assembly and shall vote in accordance with the instructions given by the members in the individual schools.” And

Whereas,” in case of absence, a delegate shall be responsible for having an alternate present on his/her behalf,” be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors require delegates, alternates and/or committee members to attend a minimum of five(5) meeting annually and be required to assist at two(2) Political Action activities to participate in NTA Special Events (Leadership Conferences/ Friends of Education Dinners).

(Submitted by NTA President Patricia M. Van Duser)

Moved: S. Hall

Second: D. Brown

Passes Unanimously

MOTION # 2

Whereas, one of the goals of our union is to support the American Labor Movement, and

Whereas, the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation is holding its 5th Annual Labor Heroes Celebration; and be it resolved

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors approve the purchase of four tickets (@ \$65 each) on June 3, 2011 at the Dutchess Manor.

(Submitted by NTA Educational Issues Advocacy Chairman, G. Pinhiero)

Moved: J. Nee

Second: J. Conn

Passes Unanimously

MOTION #3

Whereas, the NTC is closing at Stewart and the NTA is receiving the technology and supplies from the Teacher Center, be it therefore

Resolved: That the NTA Board of Directors allow the NTA President to hire two part-time workers on a needed basis, at an hourly rate of fifteen dollars an hour, to assist moving shelves, technology and tables.

(Submitted by NTA President Patricia M. Van Duser)

Moved: J. Daley

Second: J. LeRoy

Passes Unanimously

GOOD AND WELFARE

1. Monday June 20, 2011 there will be Blood Drive for a Teaching Assistant and former student from 2-8 pm at Vails Gate School.
2. Carly's Day will be from 11 am – 4 pm on Saturday, June 4, 2011 at Orange County Choppers on Route 17 K in Newburgh.
3. The Coalition of Black Trade Unionists (CBTU) was held in Los Vegas. Some of the topics discussed included: Educating younger and new teachers and teaching assistants what the labor movement is all about: Reaching out to Senior Citizens and Veterans.
4. Carol White Grant for physical education and nutrition is available. The District's Wellness Committee has been working on the School Health Index, which could be a recipient of this grant.

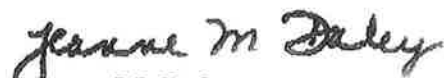
Motion to adjourn at 5:45 PM:

Moved: J. Nee

Second: J. Conn

Passes unanimously

Respectfully submitted,



Jeanne M. Daley
NTA Secretary