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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES

October 10, 2007

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Present: Phil Cordella, Vicky Pittman, Angela Sartori, Karen Roberts, David Brown, Patricia Hunter, William Lastowski, Donna Liebman, Sharon Minard, and Nancy Sparacio.

Meeting was called to order: 4:15 PM

Approval of Minutes of September 12, 2007

Moved: S. Minard

Seconded: W. Lastowski

Passed Unanimously

President's Report

1. Three members to attend a fund raiser for Senator Larkin on October 24, 2007.
2. October 24, 2007 meeting of kick off to audit of curriculum. Teachers are needed to attend, one from each building K-12 for ELA.
3. Habitat House dedication on November 17, 2007.
4. Submission of voucher by Frank Colone to pay for expenses of campaign literature for campaign vote. This issue will be discussed at a special Board of Directors Meeting.
5. Board of Director Elections will take place - information went to all Delegates.

Vice -President's Report

1. Schedule of Meeting with each stake holder group of members distributed. Schedule will be sent to each member.

Treasurer's Report

1. Report given at meeting

MOTION #1:

Whereas, the NTA members who are NYS Teacher Retirement System delegates will be electing a teacher member to the retirement board this November, and

Whereas, NYSUT has endorsed Shelia Salenger for teacher member to the retirement system, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA endorse the candidacy of Sheila Salenger and urge the delegates to vote accordingly.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved: D. Brown

Seconded: W. Lastowski

Passed Unanimously

MOTION #2:

Resolved, that the Board of Directors agree to meet at a special meeting to review and take action, where appropriate, on the data received and submitted by the Nominations and Elections Committee.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved: D. Liebman

Moved: A. Sartori

Passed Unanimously

MOTION #3:

Whereas, the NTA continues to receive request for payment by Frank Colone for legal services from Shebitz, Berman & Cohen, P. C. dated September 16, 2007, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Directors not approve this request.

(Submitted by NTA Treasurer Angela Sartori)

Moved: A. Sartori

Seconded: N. Sparacio

Passed Unanimously

MOTION #4:

Resolved, that the Board of Directors reconsider Motion #6 from September 12, 2007 minutes in order to remove the words "and any further requests".

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved: A. Sartori

Seconded: N. Sparacio

Passed Unanimously

MOTION #5:

Whereas, technology in the NTA office is necessary for paid staff and at a stand alone work station for committee heads and members, be it

Resolved, that the NTA's Board of Directors authorize \$2,523.67 for the purchase of new workstations at the desk of Lorraine Mahon and Lenore Giansante, the computer at the office manager's desk be moved to the workstation table, and the treasurer move approximately \$1,000 from another budget line to address the over budget expenditure.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved: A. Sartori

Seconded: S. Minard

Passed Unanimously

MOTION #6:

Whereas, Former NTA member Felicia Cole suffered a terrible debilitating car accident in July of 2005, and

Whereas, her injuries have left her wheelchair bound and in need of ongoing physical therapy and appropriate accessible accommodations, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA actively support the Felicia Cole project fundraising and volunteer labor efforts in order that she be able to live with dignity and respect.

(Submitted by NTA member Consuelo Hill)

Moved: D. Liebman

Seconded: D. Brown

Passed Unanimously

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Marilyn Henry requested input from the Board of Directors on the forms needed for the New Teacher Initiative.

End of last year issues came up about building maintenance. A possible building committee to monitor these issues will need to be established at a later Board of Directors meeting.


A review of committee stipends would be a good idea.
Increase needs to be discussed.

Motion to adjourn: 5:35 PM

Moved: D. Brown

Seconded: D. Liebman

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Karen Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

Karen Roberts
NTA Secretary