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Minutes NTA Substitute Teachers' Chapter May 12, 2010

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. by NTA Treasurer, Ellen Hart.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January 20, 2010 meeting were approved as read.

NTA Officer's Report

The report was given by Ellen Hart.

1. A presentation was made by the Negotiating Team two weeks ago. The team consists of Jim Nee, David Brown and Bill Lastowski.
 - a. It was mutually agreed that discussions and proposals would remain confidential during the period of negotiation and that after an agreement has been reached the contract details will be presented to the membership.
 - b. Things are going well at this point and the team is scheduled to meet again next week.
 - c. NTA members will vote on the contract.
2. Executive Committee changes
 - a. Patti Cavallo has stepped down as Chair.
 - b. Linda DeWitt is no longer a substitute and will not be able to continue as Recording Secretary for the upcoming year.
3. Budget update
The NTA supports the budget for next year but does not wish to support specific candidates for the School Board. They want to have a working relationship with whoever is elected.

Unfinished Business

The chapter needs a new Chair and Recording Secretary. Not enough members were present to fill these positions.

New Business

1. A better communication system is needed. Substitutes feel that they are not aware of changes in schools affecting them. Several suggestions were made to improve communication.
 - a. Place a stack of newsletters and a binder with information helpful to substitutes in teachers' workrooms in the various schools.
 - b. Place a stack of bulletins on the desk where substitutes sign in notifying substitutes of an upcoming meeting. It was noted that meeting information is always available on the website.

A substitute asked if it would be acceptable for substitutes to sit in on teachers' meetings. This was discussed but would not be appropriate.

As the chapter seeks to fill the open positions on the executive committee for next year, we would encourage subs to attend our next meeting on Sept. 29, 2010. At this time we will work on filling the open positions on our Executive Committee as well as formulate goals for the new school year.

Good and Welfare

There was no Good and Welfare.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Minutes were recorded by Linda DeWitt.