



Newburgh Teachers' Association

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Minutes

Teaching Assistants' Chapter
Building Rep. meeting 3/10/09

Call to Order: 4:20pm

In Attendance: S Manning, J Mongelli, B Johnson, P Favata, K Riley, M Leonard, G Nichols, J Powell, H Tannenbaum, D Petrilli, L Maier, P SanSevero, M DePuy, D Ortiz, B Butrick, T Brady-Lyden

Presentations made to the two TA members awarded scholarships by our chapter. Congratulations to Heidi Tannenbaum and Margaret DePuy.

Chairperson's Report:

At the February special Board of Education meeting, all "tabled" Teaching Assistants were officially hired full-time (in the minutes). The TA Chapter currently has over 210 members.

Committee Reports:

Labor Management: From the 2/27 meeting- only four items were on the agenda, none pertaining to Teaching Assistants. Nothing else to report at this time.

Grievance: No outstanding TA grievances at this time. A settlement was reached on a prior grievance.

Membership: introduction of new member of committee, Jeanine Powell. Also- there are five vacancies left for the 3/24 Defensive Driving course (next class will be held 5/30).

Comm./Member Affairs: The "Carly's Mission" fundraiser was a huge success. Thanks to all TAs who coordinated donations for raffle baskets in their buildings. Also, thanks to all those who participated in this event. It was reported that over \$5,000.00 was raised that night for the mission and donations are still coming in.

LAP Grant: Event to take place 4/25/09 at GAMS from 10am-2pm. We need many more TA volunteers!

Sick Bank: no change in status from last month's report

Policy Board: In-Service course proposals will be voted on at the next Policy Board meeting. TA fee is still \$10 per class.

VOTE/COPE: 2008 final report- \$2,765.00 collected from the TA chapter (# of participants went up, 92/100 participated in payroll deduction). Single amount checks will be collected this Spring.

****Links to send letters/faxes to gov't officials can be found at www.NYSUT.org**

Scholarship: student applications are available. Students should ask their Guidance Counselor for the form. It should be filled out and returned to Eileen Stein at New Windsor School.

Newsletter: current issue is eight pages long and will be delivered next week.

Special Events: submit suggestions for End-of-Year party (place, theme) to Maria Lattimore or Lisa Maier at Meadow Hill School.

New Business:

Resolution to make a donation to the "Empty Bowls" fundraiser in memory of Jean Harrison was read and passed unanimously. Fundraiser to be held April 2nd at NFA.

Members who attended the Mid-Hudson/Capitol District Leadership Conference gave summaries of workshops attended.

Good and Welfare: On May 25th there will be a celebration commemorating the 40th anniversary of Pre-K in Newburgh held at Anthony's Pier 9 (\$45per person). Posters should be up in all schools in April.