



Long Beach Classroom Teachers Association

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Executive Board Minutes

October 23, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 4:07pm by Keith Harvey.

I. President's Report – Keith Harvey

A. Executive Board Meeting Dates

11/13/17, 11/29/17, 12/11/17, 1/8/18, 1/26/18, 2/12/18, 3/12/18, 3/26/18, 4/9/18, 4/23/18, 5/14/18, and 6/11/18

B. School Board Recognition Week

In honor of School Board Recognition Week I would like to say thank you to the past and present Long Beach Board of Education members for the countless hours they have volunteered to help formulate goals consistent with the needs of children.

C. PTA

Once again I am proud to announce the LBCTA has 100% teacher participation in the PTA. While all of our teachers are members it is also important that we actively participate in the PTA. It is extremely important that the CTA and PTA have an open and working relationship. On behalf of the Long Beach Classroom Teachers Association, I want to thank the PTA for all they do to help support and advance the quality of education in the Long Beach Public Schools.



D. Marching Against Cancer



LBCTA and its members have generated support, awareness, volunteers and more than \$5,000 for the American Cancer Society's "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer." Thank you very much to everyone that donated and who came out for the walk. A very special thank you to Amy Leder and

the PR committee for organizing this event.

E. Long Beach Superintendent Search

The School Board has appointed a consultant group to assist with the search for the position of Superintendent of Schools. The Board still plans to have a Superintendent, in place, prior to the end of the school year.

Keith Harvey

President

Karen Bloom

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Amy Leder

Vice-President for Secondary Schools

Beth Prostick

Vice-President for

Elementary Schools

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F. District Screening Committee—Supervisor of Transportation

The District will be holding a screening committee interview for the Supervisor of Transportation. The association may appoint three members. Thank you very much to all who showed interest. Chris Brown and Jason Zizza will be representing the association during the district's search.

G. Mustaches for Kids- Long Island Chapter

Once again a group of Long Beach teacher will be participating in "Mustaches for Kids" charity event. We are excited to add administrators and a student to our group this year. Mustaches for Kids- Long Island is a month long event that supports pediatric patient care at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center (MSK), the world's premier institution for cancer care. Since this chapter started eleven years ago we have raised over \$540,000 for the children and we are looking forward to another month of fuzzy upper lips this year. Here is the [Donation link](#) for the LBSD Growers.



The photo left to right (front to back): Keith Harvey (MS), Anthony Balsamo (HS), Jeffrey Myers (HS Principal), Joseph Liabach (HS Senior), Eric Krywe (HS), Matt Hartmann (HS), Neil Campbell (HS), Andy Smith (HS Assistant Principal), Eric Fox (HS).

H. Aloha

We would like to continue the tradition of having a fundraiser on Superintendent's Conference Day. Although the cold weather is creeping in, we thought you could embrace that aloha spirit by wearing your finest luau shirt, dress, tie, shawl, etc. and donating to a great charity. At a time of year when many of us are planning our Thanksgiving feast there are many families that cannot plan their next meal. We would like to donate to the Long Beach Food Pantry and other groups that assist with holiday meals in our community. Please consider participating by making a monetary donation in the High School commons before the opening remarks.

I. Study Money Dates

Those who applied and were approved for Fall Study money were on the October 12th Board of Education agenda. There are two more opportunities to participate in the Study Program: Winter- Dec. 8, 2017 and Summer- May 11, 2018. Members with permanent or professional certification may apply for up to \$1,750 in study money per semester. The application is available online at [Request for Participation in Study Program - Group A](#).



J. Conference Procedures

If you plan on attending a conference or training outside of the district please note the procedure. In an effort to simplify the process, if the reimbursement is less than \$200 a requisition is not necessary. When completing your conference request on MLP be sure to accurately estimate your expenses as the district will not reimburse you more than the amount approved on MLP. School Board policy allots \$20 for breakfast, \$20 for lunch and \$40 for dinner plus tax and tip of 15 to 18%. For one day conferences the only meal which will normally be reimbursed is lunch. Travel is reimbursed at 53.5 cents a mile round trip plus parking and tolls or the actual cost of public transportation. Once your request is approved, you must ask your school secretary to encumber the funds by creating a purchase order for the amounts indicated on your MLP request. If the personal reimbursement is less than \$200, no requisition is necessary. Employees must submit completed claim forms (which can be found on the "G" drive of the district network) in order to receive reimbursement of expenses incurred while attending a confer-

ence, workshop, seminar, or out-of-town meeting. If you need a purchase order for the registration or hotel fees, you must also ask.

K. Annual Turn-In of Sick Days

If you have accumulated at least 75 sick days and wish to exercise your option of selling back unused sick days earned this year (up to 12 or 14 if you worked at Summer School) you must submit a [“Request for Payment in Exchange For Accumulated Unused Sick Days”](#) form to the HR Department.

L. NYSUT Pocket Calendars

Last call. If you would like a 2017-18 NYSUT pocket calendar please contact me at kharvey@lbeach.org.

M. NYSUT Leadership Training

Following is a schedule of the workshops and conferences to be presented by the NYSUT Nassau regional office during the 2017-18 year. Please let me know if there are any you would like to attend. The workshops shown in CAPITALIZED font make up the “core curriculum” workshops for new building reps. Building reps that are not brand new but are relatively inexperienced would also benefit from taking these workshops

SEPTEMBER–JUNE WORKSHOPS & CONFERENCES

(Workshops begin at 4:00 PM and typically end by 6:30 PM)

- October 28 – Fall Leadership Conference (Huntington Hilton) (ALL)
- November 14 – Presidents’ Roundtable (Local Presidents)
- November 15 – THE MECHANICS OF NEGOTIATIONS (O, NT, BR)
- December 2 – Early Career Member Leadership Conference (Huntington Hilton)
- December 5 – Teacher Negotiations (O, NT)
- January 10 – School Board Elections & Budget Votes (PAC, EB, O, BR)
- Date TBD – Winter Leadership Conference (Crest Hollow CC) (ALL)
- March 7 – State of the State (O, EB)
- March 14 – Workplace Health & Safety (BR, H&S, EB)
- March 20 – LEGAL ISSUES (BR, EB, O)
- April 17 – Presidents’ Roundtable (Local presidents)
- April 19 – Union History (BR, ALL)
- May 1 – Civil Service (O, EB of SRP locals/chapters)
- May 8 – SRP Dinner & Conference (ALL SRP)
- (Date TBD) – Pre-Retirement Workshop (ALL)
- (Date TBD) – Pre-Retirement Workshop (ALL)
- May 31 – Agency Fee: Then & Now (O, EB, BR, IOC)
- June 6 – Tenure (ALL teachers and teaching assistants)

N. Coach pay dates

Fall (both middle and high): 10/27
Middle School Winter I: 12/8 and 1/19
High School Winter: 12/22 and 2/2
Middle School Winter II: 2/16 and 3/16
High School Spring: 4/13 and 5/11
Middle School Spring: 4/27 and 6/8

II. Committees

A. Grievance Committee—Karen Bloom

1. There are no grievances to report at this time.
2. Please contact me if you have any issues that you feel are a violation of our contract.

B. Negotiation Committee—Chief Negotiator’s Report—Keith Harvey

Dr. Natali and I have finished the final draft of the new contract. The next step is to compile all of the documents and then the Board President and I will be able to sign the final copy for print. I will be presenting the potential Sick Bank changes to the Executive Board on November 27. If the Executive Board approves the changes they will be presented at a general membership meeting for ratification.

We reviewed the following topics;

- Special Status of the Union Representative
- Weingarten Rights
- Duty of Fair Representation (DFR)
- Matter of Cadet
- The Purpose of our Union
- Building Reports

C. New Member Committee—Jim Fiola

1. We hope that everyone is off to a great start. Welcome to the teachers brand new to Long Beach. For the returning new member teachers, if you had a mentor, he/she will now become your union buddy as you are guided toward tenure. If you have any questions or concerns, please email Jim Fiola at jfiola@lbeach.org or Alison Katulka at akatulka@lbeach.org.

2. In two weeks we will have the **Fall Buddy/Mentor party on Friday, Nov 3rd** at Ale House in Point Lookout. A reminder email will be sent out shortly. **Please contact us if you don’t have a buddy or mentor.** Please ask questions. There are **many** people here who will help you.

D. Political Action Committee—Beth Prostick

1. We are in the last stretch before the Constitutional Convention election on November 7! I am happy to report that we have distributed all our lawn signs and magnets. Please use the time we have left before the election to have personal conversations with our members, family, friends and strangers who will listen. Let’s continue the discussion and get everyone to vote NO on November 7.

2. Please hand out the talking points for the general public to discuss the importance of voting no for the Constitutional Convention at your building meetings. This is a great resource for our members to use to reach out to others.

3. I will schedule our next PAC meeting after the Nov. 7 election.

E. Public Relations—Amy Powers

“Unity is strength...when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved.” -- Mattie Stepanek

1. Together as a team we raised and donated \$5000.00 towards Breast Cancer Awareness. I cannot tell you how much we appreciate your support for our lifesaving work with the Making Strides Foundation. Thank you to everyone who donated, bought a shirt, made a bracelet, wore pink or walked with us. Your commitment and dedication to this cause has been truly heartwarming. It means the world to us!

2. Look for our LBCTA Ad in the special addition of the Herald (October 26) welcoming our kindergarten families to the community.

3. Save the date for our 2nd Annual Bowling Fundraiser at RVC Lanes on Thursday, February 1st 4-6 pm. If you already know your team name and members you can email me at aleder@lbeach.org. Specific details and information will be sent out soon.

4. November 7th is almost here. Please continue to spread the word to vote NO.



5. We are always looking for new faces to join our PR committee. If you are interested please email me at apowers@lbeach.org. Our first meeting will be Wednesday, November 1st at 4PM at Lido School. Please let me know if you can join us.

F. Social Committee—Elleen Parks

1. I am pleased to announce that the CTA End of the Year Celebration will take place on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at Bridgeview Yacht Club. Please save the date!

G. Teacher Center

1. The LBTC grant arrived in the district last week. We have begun offering classes on MLP. Thank you to the instructors who support the center by offering to run classes. At this time we are seeking those individuals who wish to run classes in the winter session (January - March) to contact us at lbtc@lbeach.org to get their proposals in so we can lock in the calendar and put it out to teachers in November. Classes will go live on MLP in December.
2. The LBTC is also seeking representatives from the High School to join our Policy Board. The obligation is one meeting per month on the second Tuesday alternating between the middle school and Lindell. The meetings last about one hour. If you are a high school teacher and would like to join our board, please contact me at LBTC@lbeach.org.

III. Executive Vice President's Report—Karen Bloom

A. Thank you to Amy Leder for another successful Breast Cancer walk! It was amazing to see all the people and support for such an important cause.

B. APPR

1. At this point, you should have received and acknowledged your composite scores. All teachers in our district were Effective or Highly Effective this year, so we should have no appeals at this point. Remember you can only appeal an Ineffective or Developing rating.
2. Please take an active role in the observation process. Keep in mind that the Danielson framework that we use is based on best practice and observable measures. You should not see opinions from your evaluation team. Be sure to address issues in your post observation conferences.
3. If you have not yet received the document letting you know who your evaluators are, please ask your immediate supervisor. If you are having trouble getting this information, feel free to contact me.
4. In addition, please be sure that you know how you will be assessed at the end of the year. If you have not yet given an SLO or determined how your score will be calculated, please speak to your immediate supervisor.
5. Feel free to contact me if you have specific concerns regarding APPR.

C. Health & Safety Committee

1. The first meeting is scheduled for November 14th at 4:00 pm at the High School.
2. At the last board meeting, a traffic consultant was approved and hired to conduct a study at both the Lido/Middle School complex as well as the High School. We hope that a full study will be conducted, especially in the spring when all of the bikers, skateboarders and walkers are out! The safety of students is our primary concern.
3. The contractor has repaired approximately half of the windows at East School. They are waiting on some more parts so that they can finish.
4. East Playground: The district received a quote to replace the play area. They are still waiting for a quote for the fence repair. Once they receive both quotes they can work with the insurance adjuster on replacement.
5. If you have any Health & Safety issues that you are unable to resolve at the building level, please email me at kbloom@lbeach.org.

D. District Safety Team

1. The first meeting is on November 14th at 4:00 pm at the High School.
2. East Security Vestibule: Mr. DeVito is still waiting for information on why the identification reader is not fully operational. He will follow up and let us know.
3. HS Security Vestibule: The District received the new glass and steel structure on Wednesday. They are supposed to start construction of the walls around the steel and glass structure on Monday 10/23. The work will likely be done by a contractor in the evening.
4. We are still awaiting a plan to address the many different keys used both within and across buildings in the district.
5. If you have any Safety issues that you are unable to resolve at the building level, please email me at kbloom@lbeach.org.

E. Other

1. Please remember to attend School Board meetings whenever possible.
2. Please consider donating days to our District Sick Bank. The form is on our website at www.lbcta.com.

IV. Vice President for Elementary Schools' Report—Beth Prostick

- A. Thank you to all who donated to the Making Strides Walk. A very special thank you to everyone who came out that day for the walk. It was so inspiring to see our members come out and support each other. This event was a success due to Amy's hard work and dedication and I thank her.
- B. Our annual Bowling Event will be held on February 1. Please begin to plan your teams!
- C. Please consider donating a day to our sick bank.
- D. Our next Elementary Council meeting will be on November 6, at 3:45 in Lido room L25.
- E. If you have any questions or concerns I can be reached at bprostick@lbeach.org.

V. Vice President for Secondary Schools' Report—Amy Powers

- A. Our next Secondary meeting will be on Tuesday, November 21st at 3:15 PM in HS Guidance Suite. Please let me know only if you can or cannot make it.
- B. Please send me any outstanding health and safety issues going on in your building so that we can properly address them at the next Health and Safety meeting in November.

VI. Treasurer's Report—Jim Fiola

A. September Financial Results

<u>Expenditures</u>		<u>Revenues</u>	
NYSUT	\$14,572	Union Dues	\$39,537
AFT	8,840		
Taxes and Insurance	107		
Professional Dues	200		
Donations	650	Total	\$39,537
Phone	139		
Meeting Expenses	634		
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Total	\$25,142		

- B. I hope that your school year is off to a great start. Please consider donating a sick day to the Sick Day Bank. I send a **big** thank you to those who walked in the Making Strides Walk at Jones Beach. I also commend Amy Leder and all of those who worked tirelessly to make the event and donation amount a huge success. The entire event is extremely uplifting and rewarding. Please save the date of February 1, 2018 which will be the Bowling Night Fundraiser. Lastly, please try to plan to attend a couple of School Board meetings this year. **If you have any changes to your personal file (address, name, etc.), please email them to me at jfiola@lbeach.org.**
- C. Union dues for 2017/2018 for full-time members will be \$1,014.36. The break-out is \$397 local, \$378 NYSUT, \$231.36 AFT dues and \$8 PTA. \$98.54 will be taken from your first check of the month and will show up under the column "MDED-03." We are determined to keep your dues as low as possible while still meeting our local obligations and making charitable contributions to the Long Beach community.

VII. Building Reports

A. West School

1. Thank you to our Amazing PTA for the magical PARP Show this past week to start off PARP.
2. Get well wishes for Rachel Garrity one of our West School Family members.
3. Welcome back to Sara Enright as our permanent sub for the building.
4. Thank you to Nicole McGahan for initiating a hurricane relief fundraiser. We sold bracelets within the school and raised over \$1,800.00 for schools in Texas and Florida.
5. Thank you to the West School Family in participating in the Making Strides fundraiser as assisting the LBCTA to reach their goal. A BIG thank you to ALL who walked and organized the event.
6. West School went 'gold' to raise money for the Childhood Pancreatic Cancer, special thanks to Anne LaPenna for spearheading the cause.
7. We are in need of sick days in order to rebuild our sick bank and are asking everyone to donate at least one sick day if you can this year.
8. Staff parking continues to be an issue with regards to the new construction of driveways in the West End of Long Beach.
9. Please remember to VOTE NO on November 7th.

B. Lindell School

1. Lindell's SEL Families had their first meeting welcoming old and new students followed by a "Chalk the Walk" allowing students to express what makes them happy around the perimeter of our building.
2. Another successful Lindell Family Walk It Forward fundraiser was held. Students and staff walked from Lindell School to the boardwalk and back cheering along the way. Donations were made to help support hurricane relief in Puerto Rico.
3. A grateful Lindell staff would like to thank our generous PTA for purchasing Lindell T-Shirts for the entire faculty and students.
4. Thank you Amy Leder for organizing another amazing fundraiser for Making Strides Breast Cancer Awareness. Much appreciation for the donations and to the members that walked. We are glad you came out.
5. Fifth grade students sold bracelets, collected donations and donated to a school in Texas. Great work paying it forward.
6. Condolences to Paula Tasevoli on the passing of her father.
7. Please consider donating days to the district sick bank.
8. Lack of substitute coverage for administration of the BAS is an issue.

C. East School

1. Welcome back Rebecca Wesselhoft. Thank you to our permanent substitute Erica Ferretti for starting the school year in such a positive way for the children in Rebecca's class.
2. Thank you to Amy Leder for all the hard work she put in to make the Making Strides Breast Cancer Walk successful. Thank you to all of those who donated and wore pink to show their support.
3. East School had a successful Math Centers PJ night. Thank you to all the staff members who made it a fun night for our kids!
4. Technology issues continue to be left unresolved in our building. Work orders are being closed without the problem being fixed. Also, we have old Dell desktops that take a very long time to load-up, if they do at all. It is difficult to use the required websites with the children (for example, RazKids) when computers are not starting.
5. Busses are still arriving late to East School, therefore they are not leaving on time.
6. The lack of substitutes in the district is a concern. Teaching Assistants are being pulled from their position to cover classes.
7. Please consider donating days to the LBCTA sick bank.

D. Lido School

1. Condolences to Theresa Schwartz-Polivy, our School Nurse, for the loss of her brother.
2. Congratulations to Denise Callahan on the birth of her granddaughter, Aubrey.
3. Condolences to Cabrina Tasevoli on the loss of her grandfather.
4. Congratulations to Marisa Lorenzo on the birth of her son, Javier.
5. Kudos to students, staff, and families for organizing a donation drive for students in Houston, Texas devastated by Hurricane Harvey. Backpacks with school supplies, boxes of socks and pajamas, along with notes of encouragement were sent.
6. Students participated in Courageous Kids Day by displaying various examples of courage.
7. Students are engaged in various activities based on making healthy, positive life choices during Red Ribbon Week.
8. Thank you to all who generously donated and participated in the American Cancer Society Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk. Thanks to Amy Leder, Secondary VP, for organizing the positive efforts in member participation for this worthwhile cause.
9. Thanks to members who have donated sick days to the LBCTA District Sick Bank. Please consider donating.
10. Remember to vote NO on the 2017 Constitution Vote on November 7, 2017. Spread the word to family and friends the importance of this vote.

E. Pre-K

1. Thank you to all who wore pink and contributed to Making Strides Against Breast Cancer. A special thanks to Amy Leder for all her hard work.
2. Congratulations to Marisa Lorenzo on the birth of her son, Javier.
3. Welcome to our new TA Bhamanee Persaud.
4. Thank you to our PTA for sponsoring our book fair.
5. Thank you to our PTA for providing T-shirts to our staff.
6. Thank you to all who donated money and/or supplies to the hurricane relief drives.
7. Condolences to our nurse, Teri Schwarz-Polivy, on the loss of her brother.
8. Please vote no on the proposal for a Constitutional Convention.
9. Our students participated in Courageous Kids Day. We created posters to display when we all felt COURAGEOUS.

F. Middle School

1. Thank you to everyone for a successful Back to School Night. We appreciate the support we received from Mr. Romanelli, Mr. Beisma, and Mr. Emmons to make the night a success.
2. Thank you to our librarians, Mrs. Van Loon and Ms. Ferrante, for successful 6th grade Library Orientations.
3. Thank you to all club advisors for a successful Club Fair. There was a great turnout. It was a great way to introduce and welcome students to the many clubs offered at LBMS.
4. Kudos to our National Junior Honor Society (advisors: Mrs. Kile, & Mr. Santoro), Student Organization (advisors: Ms. Kalfin, Ms. Smith), Multicultural Club (advisors: Mr. Gartung, Mrs. Montoya), Team 7-1 and Mrs. Berman's classes for coming together to fundraise and create an awesome mural and quilt for Hurricane Relief. Together they raised \$738!
5. 6th grade students and chaperones reported the Frost Valley trip was a tremendous success. Kudos to Stacy Goodwin, Liz Chimenti and Keith Beisma for all of the hard work and dedication they put into planning this great trip.
6. A special thank you to Amy Leder for all of her organizing and fundraising efforts for the American Cancer Society's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer campaign. Thank you to everyone who walked, donated, wore pink or participated in the many fundraising and awareness events. Your efforts and generosity toward the search for a cure are greatly appreciated.
7. Thank you to Girl Scout Troop 2296 for our beautiful Kindness Rock Garden.
8. Congratulations to Tara Gubelli on the birth of her son, Brayden James.
9. Congratulations to Stacey Rice on her engagement to Zack Mason.
10. Welcome back to Melanie Scott.
11. Condolences to Rob Hendrick on the loss of his uncle.
12. Thank you to members who have donated sick days to the LBCTA District Sick Bank. Please consider donating if you have not done so already.
13. Please remember to continue to spread the word to your family and friends to vote **NO** against a NYS Constitutional Convention on November 7th.
14. The New Member Buddy Party will be on November 3rd at 4:00pm at the Point Lookout Ale House. All new members and "buddies" are encouraged to attend!

G. High School

1. Congratulations to all the clubs and advisors on spirit week and homecoming carnival. Thank you to Dr. Morand and the Student Organization for all of their hard work on creating a wonderful pep rally and homecoming experience.
2. Congratulations to Mr. Bragino, Mr. Marks, and the Marching Band at the Newsday Music Festival.
3. Congratulations to Dr. Morand on the birth of his twin daughters.
4. Thank you to Amy Leder for coordinating this year's successful Making Strides Against Breast Cancer
5. Condolences to Lauren Anderson, a Special Education Teacher, on the passing of her grandmother.
6. Thank you to Mr. Myers for assisting teachers in processing their help desk tickets dealing with the many technical issues that have come up in classrooms, from broken projectors to computer malfunctions. We appreciate the teamwork and hope that the district will look into appointing both a director of technology at the district level and a tech liaison at the building level.

7. We are excited for the roll out of Go Guardian in the high school in the coming weeks. We had been hoping to use the technology from the start of the school year when it was purchased, but as of yet no teachers have been trained and it is not available to the high school faculty and some teachers are not aware of its existence.
8. We look forward to a faculty wide update on how the detention system is functioning this year in order to prevent more in-school suspensions for those students who don't attend detention.
9. The new field trip software, at this point, requires attention as teachers are unable to enter a field trip before 8:45 am. Teachers have to rely on the field trip application being thoroughly read at transportation. Teachers' only option is to put the wrong times into the field trip form and hope that the notes at the end are read.
10. Thank you to the custodial staff for their efforts in attempting to address the multiple concerns of the staff. Many of the rooms are experiencing inconsistent heating and cooling and there is no air movement in some of the rooms due to malfunctions of various units within the building. We hope that the district will address any malfunctioning units before the springtime. Stagnant air and excessive warmth or cold becomes a distraction to learning. Most of our rooms do not have any access to any outside air and rely on the units to be functioning.
11. There are a number of rooms experiencing leaks from the roof in the high school science area and a temporary fix has been put in place to divert the leaks, but the fix itself does not capture all of the water leaking in and itself has developed issues. We hope that the repairs to the roof that are needed are done so there would be no need for any temporary fixes. Water has already damaged some of the desks in the affected classrooms.
12. The faculty bathrooms require a lot more attention. They sometimes seen superficially cleaned. In addition, some bathrooms have mold and mildew.
13. We appreciate the efforts on behalf of the Building Administrative team to look into providing the proper support for all students in elective courses. We are very concerned about the lack of co-taught classes for our electives. Currently the school does not offer co-taught programs in the electives. For certain students, science electives are necessary for graduation. We hope that next year the proper support for those students can be put into place.
For this year, we hope that it is possible that the district can appoint a teacher to meet the needs of the students currently in the affected classes.
14. We are happy to hear that the district has hired a consultant to look into safety concerns in regards to the traffic pattern.
15. We are appreciative of the continuing open dialog between administration and the building reps and hope that the actions that result improve the quality of teaching and learning in the building.
16. Please consider donating days to the sick bank.

IV. New Business

- A. A motion was made by Amy Leder to make a donation to Mustaches for Kids. It was seconded by Stacey Rice.

At 5:40pm, a motion was made by Amy Leder to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Alison Katulka.

In Attendance:

West: Cheryleann Fontenot, June Schechter

Lindell: Susan Simons, Heather Puckhaber, Lisa Rundo

East: Jeanne Richards, Jennifer Maggio

Lido: Dorothy Lopez, Dana Monti, Marilyn Pilo

Pre-K: Elizabeth Fichtelman

LBMS: Jennifer Garrett, Camila Gamboa, Alison Katulka, Stacey Rice, Jason Zizza

LBHS: Anthony Balsamo, Jonathan Bloom, Chris Brown, Neil Campbell, Elena Frishman, Jay Spitz

Retiree: Frank Volpe

Officers: Keith Harvey, Karen Bloom, Beth Prostick, Amy Leder, Patricia Van Loon, Jim Fiola, Elleen
Parks

Respectfully submitted by Patricia Van Loon, Recording Secretary.

Have you had your financial check-up lately?

NYSUT Member Benefits launches the new Financial Planning Center!

NYSUT Member Benefits is excited to announce the launch of our NEW online Financial Planning Center. This enhanced site will assist NYSUT members and their families with making a variety of important financial decisions.

The NYSUT Member Benefits Financial Planning Center provides helpful tools and resources to assist members with a number of crucial decisions regarding financial wellness and retirement planning.

This new site includes more than 100 modules on different financial topics along with a financial fitness check-up to see where members stand with their financial knowledge.

Whether it's planning for retirement, saving for college for your children or considering purchasing a home, the choices we need to make on a regular basis are never easy. If you're already enjoying retirement, you may be dealing with long-term care needs, managing your investments and estate planning.

NYSUT members can get assistance with these questions and more with our NEW Financial Planning Center.

To access the Financial Planning Center (and more than 100 planning modules), visit the NYSUT Member Benefits website at memberbenefits.nysut.org and click on "Financial Planning Center."

To learn more about Member Benefits-endorsed programs & services, visit memberbenefits.nysut.org or call 800-626-8101.



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