



West Genesee Teachers' Association
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Meeting Minutes
Wednesday May 11, 2016

Meeting called to Order: 4:03om

I. Roll Call

<u>Executive Officers</u> John Mannion Mary Weaver Jeanine Stables Matt Bolha	<u>East Hill</u> Heather Thome	<u>Split Rock</u> John Lawrence	<u>WGMS</u> Matt Bolha
	<u>Onondaga Road</u> Kathy Gauthier Kristen Hudson	<u>Stonehedge</u> Allyson Winters Marcia DeMartini	
<u>CMS</u> Dale Keida Sharon Bush	<u>High School</u> Chris Paoli Greg Allen		

II. Secretary's Report (Jeanine Stables)

- a. April minutes were reviewed for accuracy
- b. Motion to approve minutes as read- Allyson Winters
- c. Seconded- Dale Keida
Minutes approved as written

III. President's Report (John Mannion)

- a. Upcoming Dates
Diner of 100 Wed 22nd - everything is free to the first 100- bring a friend/s
- b. Elections- June 2nd. Stay tuned for emails with details.
- c. NYSUT at the Fair- sign up to work the fair Sunday the 4th
25\$ and free ticket to the fair.
- d. EDC- Monday
Core Knowledge- already been voted on at Lit Institute. John has a survey ready to go to ask for input from members. Has not decided on sending it.
RtI- people will be presenting on the direction of rti
- e. SLC and EDC- need to make sure we have union people on these committees
- f. Involuntary and voluntary transfers- This is a tough time of year. Keep in mind- How it's supposed to happen- if building is in excess and one is in need- they can take one and move them to another. Then, post positions internally after those moves are made. Sometimes there is an interview, sometimes not. Then externally posted.
If asked if you want to move and you say no, they can still move you but not more than one grade level.
- g. Elections: Tuesday June 7th – Leaders. Reps and Delegates.
- h. Vote Cope- Leaders will be receiving materials in district.
- i. Scholarships- form will come around asking for people to sign if they would like to give a dollar amount for our Scholarship Fund

IV. Treasurer's Report (from Mary Gotham, presented by John)

- a. Monthly financial report- expenditures reflect retiree gifts
- b. Lease is up in June- look to sign another
- c. Summer audit will be done internally- after June 30
- d. Executive officers still need to be reimbursed for attendance at Rep. Assembly
- e. Sue Marshall will do 990's again for next year

V. Membership Chair (Matt Bolha)

Nothing to report

VI. Vice President's Report (Mary Weaver)

- a. Directing Council- collegial cafe seemed to go over well. Leadership conference at drumlins- 25 spots.
- b. SLC- not yet gotten the minutes from the April meetings
Highlights- concerns about teachers moving; Admin seems to be looking ahead at possibilities for dealing with enrollment decline and staffing.
Next week- May 18th

VII. VP Grievances/Negotiations Chair (Keith Newvine)

- a. Final Contract Revisions- have been submitted to Karen Fredericks. Looks good. Hoping to have it out to members soon.
- b. Proposed Constitutional Amendments
A member has proposed two amendments to address concerns as not having all info. Amendments were distributed and read before cabinet before discussion. First, no other union in NYSUT has a requirement that every detail of every of change in contract be specifically discussed. Question- would this amendment also apply to APPR agreement- as it would be very unmanageable.

As VP- Keith's opinion is that both amendments make the job of execs officers overwhelming, and are both unfeasible and impractical

Leaders and reps must distribute proposed amendments by May 21st. On May 24th, we will hold general membership meeting at the HS Auditorium.

VI. Building Level Reports

OR- Kindergarten class sizes seem to be getting large: questions about playgrounds being equitable

ST- taken care of

EH- Questions about TEACH registration- IN THE MONTH OF YOUR BIRTHDAY starting in July must go on to website and provide information. Late fee of 10\$ for every month you are late.

SR- people are expressing concerns about ELA problems; staff feel we should be counting the kids from BOCES who push in to reg. ed. classroom as part of the number of students, as they often significantly impact the classroom.

CMS- special are teachers concerns over Library- John will address

WGMS- none

HS- none

Motion to Adjourn-Keith Newvine; Seconded-Kristen Hudson

Meeting adjourned- 5:25pm