



West Genesee Teachers' Association

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Cabinet Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2017

Call to Order- 4:40pm

I. Roll Call:

<u>Executive Officers</u> John Mannion Jeanine Stables Mike Perkins Mary Gotham Mary Weaver	<u>East Hill</u> Heather Thome	<u>Split Rock</u> Melanie Callahan	<u>WGMS</u> Matt Bolha MaryBeth Smith
	<u>Onondaga Road</u> Kathy Gauthier Kristen Hudson	<u>Stonehedge</u> Allyson Stalter Stephanie Skardinski Dawn Personte	
<u>CMS</u> Dale Keida	<u>High School</u> Theresa Mosey Chris Paoli Rob Manipole		

II. Secretary's Report (Jeanine Stables)

- a. March minutes were reviewed for approval. Motion to approve minutes: Dale Keida. Seconded by Kathy Gauthier
- b. By-Laws Committee report- the committee met to discuss potential addition to the WGTA constitution/By-laws. Amendment was presented for review and discussion. Proposed amendment attached to minutes
- c. Motion to approve wording of amendment: Mary Weaver, seconded by Allyson Stalter. Approved
- d. May 16th there is a general membership meeting where this will be voted on at ST

III. President's Report (John Mannion)

- a. RA-Newly elected NYUST President is Andy Palotta (former VP) Resolutions presented and passed can be found on NYSUT Website
- b. Learner's Edge- We agreed to something- it's better than what was proposed initially. NYSUT ELT- VESI, National Board Certification courses are all good options as an alternative to Learner's Edge courses
- c. Elections will be held June 7th the day of cabinet meeting, and votes will be counted by cabinet members.
- d. Leaders and reps, as well as executive officers will be on the ballot
- e. Nominating committee members appointed are- Dawn Personte, Allyson Stalter, Melanie Callahan, Chris Paoli, Mary Weaver, Heather Thome, and MaryBeth Smith. John Mannion is committee chair.
- f. Motion to suspend meeting for Nominating committee meeting- Allyson Stalter, seconded by Mary Weaver 5:10 pm. Motion carried
- g. Meeting called back into session 5:20 pm

- h. Allyson Stalter reports for Nominating Committee the following candidates for executive office-
 President- John Mannion
 Vice President- Mike Perkins
 Treasurer Mary Gotham
 Secretary- Jeanine Stables
 Motion to accept slate of candidates- Stephanie Skardinski, Seconded by Kristen Hudson
 Motion carried.
- i. Have to elect delegates and alternates for NYSTRS and RA
- j. From NYSUT- Constitutional convention awareness is the major focus- keep pushing out there that we do not want this- bad for us and public employees
- k. Important
 4/29 Highway cleanup
 6/21 Dinner of 100
- l. Motion to endorse Shawn Mitchell for WG School Board of Education, Theresa Mosey, seconded by Dawn Personte. Unanimous approval

IV. Treasurer's Report (Mary Gotham)

- Monthly report – not much difference, with the exception of money for member relations, which was for the mugs. Plus money to pay the lawyer for arbitration of grievance
- Reimbursement for conferences, including committee of 100
- Balance- \$88,772
- Scholarship balance 23,000. Since 2012, all recipients have been actively pursuing degrees

V. Membership Chair (Matt Bolha)

- a. Keep an eye out for new hires and let Matt know so he can get in touch with them

VI. Vice President's Report (Mary Weaver)

- a. SLC- see minutes. Concerns because students were missing special area classes due to practicing for the state computer tests
- b. Directing Council- Collegial café may 11th

VII. VP Grievances (Mike Perkins)

- a. Nothing new
 Grievance arbitration June 12th

Building Level Reports

STG- Lack of tech in the building- is being constantly expressed by members

ST-B TA evals – teachers do not fill out evals. May offer feedback and observations

Will there be periodic updates to the sick bank? Yes end of year
No day off before Memorial Day due to snow days

OR time spent in support of music over ela is a concern

SR- none

EH- amount of time to administer and score unit assessments- concerns about using Linkit

ST none

CMS- none

WGMS- none

HS none

Motion to adjourn meeting, Mary Beth Smith, seconded by Kathy Gauthier
Meeting adjourned 5:35pm

Proposed Amendment/Addition to the WGTA By-Laws

Addition----- Article V.B

Minor adjustments in the number of Representatives from each building can be made based on the following: building student enrollment, building staff enrollment and the number of Executive Officers from each building. A minor adjustment is typically one Building Representative above or below what is stated in Article VII. This adjustment must be suggested by a representative or officer and a motion must be made and seconded. The adjustment will be discussed and voted upon by the Cabinet. Approval of the adjustment requires a 2/3 majority with a quorum (50% of the Cabinet) being present. Typically adjustments to the number of Building Representatives will be voted upon at the June, August or September Cabinet meetings.

