BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MINUTES  
March 11, 2009  
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Meeting was called to order: 4:20 PM
Approval of Minutes February 11, 2009 Meeting
Moved: J. Nee
Seconded: S. Minard

Motion Passes (8-0-1)

President’s Report
1. Interviews for Board Candidate endorsements will take place on April 21st.
2. Lawn signs, buttons and stickers are being worked on for the budget vote.
3. The NTA President has begun regular meetings with the NTA President-Elect.
4. Payment was released to two Pendulum writers and one layout artist for their work. The Pendulum is posted on the NTA website for members to read.
5. There have been two special meetings of the Board of Education for the budget. The District has been doing research on staffing issues.
6. The NTA is concerned that the District will get funds back and still lay off staff.
7. The NTA President will meet with the Superintendent and Mike Pacella Assistant Supt. of Finance on March 17th. The next public meeting will be March 19th at 5pm.
8. A worksite will go to a NTA sponsored mediation on March 18th.

Vice - President’s Report
1. NYSUT has endorsed Scott Murphy for the 29th Congressional District.

Treasurer’s Report
Report given at meeting.

Unfinished Business

NEW Business
MOTION #1
Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors approve the employment contract for Office Assistant Lorraine Mahon.
(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)
Moved: D. Liebman
Seconded: K. Roberts
Passed Unanimously

MOTION #2
Whereas, the new member initiative serves to inform members of the working of our union, and

Whereas, North Junior High has submitted a new member initiative which has been reviewed and approved by the new member initiative chair and committee as well as the NTA President, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors approve the North Junior High new member initiative proposal.
(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)
Moved: D. Liebman
Seconded: W. Lastowski

Motion to table until a revised document can be circulated electronically:

Moved: N. Sparacio
Seconded: A. Sartori
Passed Unanimously

MOTION #3
Whereas, the new member initiative serves to inform members of the working of our union, and

Whereas, Temple Hill Academy has submitted a new member initiative which has been reviewed and approved by the new member initiative chair and committee as well as the NTA President, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors approve the Temple Hill Academy new member initiative proposal.
(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)
Moved: J. Nee
Seconded: S. Minard

Motion to table until a revised document can be circulated electronically:

Moved: P. Hunter
Seconded: K. Roberts
Passed Unanimously
MOTION #4
Whereas, the new member initiative serves to inform members of the working of our union, and

Whereas, Newburgh Free Academy has submitted a new member initiative which has been reviewed and approved by the new member initiative chair and committee as well as the NTA President, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors approve the Newburgh Free Academy new member initiative proposal.
(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)
Moved: D. Liebman
Seconded: W. Lastowski

Motion to table until a revised document can be circulated electronically:

Moved: N. Sparacio
Seconded: A. Sartori
Passed Unanimously

MOTION #5

Whereas, the new member initiative serves to inform members of the working of our union, and

Whereas, Balmville School has submitted a new member initiative which has been reviewed and approved by the new member initiative chair and committee as well as the NTA President, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors approve the Balmville School new member initiative proposal.
(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)
Moved: J. Nee
Seconded: S. Minard

Motion to table until a revised document can be circulated electronically:

Moved: P. Hunter
Seconded: V. Pittman
Passed Unanimously

MOTION #6

Whereas, the Glenn Hines Center remains a beacon for children in the City of Newburgh, be it

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors approve the purchase of a table to their annual dinner dance.
(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)
Moved: S. Minard
Seconded: P. Hunter
GOOD AND WELFARE:

The NTA was chosen to pilot a NYSUT two year program “Professional Learning Communities” which will provide on-site professional development. NYSUT’s Education & Learning Trust will implement the pilot program and provide professional development and ongoing support. The pilot is made possible through a grant from the National Education Association (NEA)

On April 7th, a meeting will take place with NYSUT, NTA President, NTA President-Elect Patricia Van Duser, members of the Board of Education Curriculum Committee, Teacher Center Director John Eitel, the Superintendent, and Curriculum & Instruction to discuss implementation of the program.

LAP Committee needs members of the Board of Directors to attend the Healthy in Newburgh Fair on April 25th.

Discussion took place about the Friend of Education Dinner.

Motion to adjourn: 6:00 PM
Moved: W. Lastowski
Seconded: P. Hunter
Passed Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Roberts
NTA Secretary