THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
April 17, 2013


Call to Order
Meeting called to order 5:00 PM

Approval of Minutes
March 6, 2013

Moved: S. Warren
Second: J. LeRoy

Abstain: S. Moran

Passed

President’s Report:
1. NYSUT Representative Assembly April 11 - 13, 2013: There were several great speakers at the RA and they included Randi Weingarten, Tom DiNapoli, Chuck Schumer, and John Nichols, who writes for the Nation, as well as NYSUT officers. The basic message was Talk Truth to Power; we have told it like it is; now it is time to let us teach. It is time to take back public education. There will be a rally in Albany on Saturday, June 8th, for support of public education. We need to get teachers, teaching assistants, parents, and grandparents etc. involved and attend the rally in Albany.
2. Negotiations: We have told the District that we would only accept a change in our health insurance as an option for those who would like to save some money and think the MVP PPO plan would be beneficial to them; everyone else would keep their present insurance. The District has asked me to survey our members and see how many would consider a switch to the MVP PPO insurance program, on a voluntary basis.
3. We are trying to make revisions to the APPR plan that will make it better for teachers as we go forward. The District is well aware that this must be ratified by the membership and it must be fair and reasonable to teachers.
4. I attended the AFT Executive Leadership Conference in March, and 16 newly elected presidents from all over the country met in Washington, D.C. to discuss issues and strategies for locals in the new political and economic environment. It was a positive experience.