BOARD OF DIRECTORS Minutes
April 3, 2012

Present: Patricia Van Duser, Ellen Hart, Jeanne Daley, Josh Conn, Carol Franklin, Sherri Hall, J. Nee, Matthew Scully, Susan Warren.

Call to Order
Meeting called to order at 4:37 PM

Approval of minutes
March 14, 2012

Moved: J. Nee
Second: J. Conn
Passed unanimously with corrections

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

1. Contractual bargaining has begun. Time spent comparing membership numbers from NTA agreeing with Human Resources.
2. Sick Bank figures reconciled. NTA keeps folder and records of sick bank usage.
3. Met with Superintendent to re-iterate concerns over projected layoffs.
4. Mr. Frank Skartados has sent $250,000 of appropriated funds to NECSD. Thank you note sent.
5. NECSD will be receiving $1.2 million due to $125 Million being removed from competitive grant proposal of Governor Cuomo.
6. Preparations for the Friends of Education Dinner June 8, 2012 at Osiris Country Club have begun.
7. Seniority numbers are being distributed to Teachers and Teaching Assistants.
8. NTA Notebook has been published, encouraging members who qualify to get paperwork in to become Tier 5 members.
9. AFT/ NYSUT election materials were done in house with significant savings seen.
10. Reviewed payroll schedule from Mr. E. Lastowski and Mr. M. Pacella.
11. Narrative “snapshot” of financial details given to NTA from Mr. M. Pacella, which reflects the 2% tax levy cap.
12. The next contractual bargaining session is April 4, 2012 with Mr. A. Plichta and Ms. J. Daley joining the bargaining team.

TREASURER’S REPORT

NTA 2012-2013 initial budget figures presented.
NEW BUSINESS

MOTION # 1

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the NTA to adopt an operating budget yearly, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors approve the first round of the 2012-2013 NTA Budget as presented.
(Submitted by NTA Treasurer E. Hart)

Moved: J. Nee  
Second: J. Daley  
Passed unanimously

MOTION # 2

Whereas, Lee Cutler is the Secretary/Treasurer of NYSUT which represents more than 600,000 people who work in, or are retired from, New York’s schools, colleges, and healthcare facilities, and

Whereas, Brother Cutler has taught middle-level English/language arts teacher for more than 24 years in Nanuet, Marlboro and Tarrytown, and

Whereas, Cutler’s role as secretary-treasurer has expanded to overseeing the NYSUT social justice agenda including child slavery, women’s rights, anti-bullying and many others, and

Whereas, the Newburgh Teachers’ Association has had a long and positive relationship with NYSUT Secretary/Treasurer Cutler through working closely lobbying, attending workshops and policy setting meetings, participation in pro-union and labor led activities and programs, and

Resolved, that we honor a great leader by awarding our union’s highest honor, the 2012 NTA Friend of Education, to NYSUT Secretary/Treasurer Lee Cutler.
(Submitted by NTA President P. Van Duser)

Moved: C. Franklin  
Second: J. Daley  
Passed unanimously

MOTION # 3

Resolved, that the NTA’s Board of Directors approve the 2012-2013 NTA Calendar as amended.
(Submitted by NTA President P. Van Duser)

Moved: M. Scully  
Second: S. Warren  
Passed unanimously
MOTION # 4

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors approve the contract of the NTA Office Executive Assistant/Webmaster.
(Submitted by NTA President P. Van Duser)

Moved: J. Nee
Second: S. Warren

Motion to Table for May 2012 BOD Meeting
Moved: J. Nee
Second: J. Daley

7 Yea, 1 Nay
Passed

MOTION # 5

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors immediately approve the appointment of Mr. A. Plichta and Ms. J. Daley to all NTA bargaining teams.
(Submitted by Board of Director J. Nee as appointed by NTA President P. Van Duser)

Moved: J. Nee
Second: C. Franklin

Passed unanimously

GOOD AND WELFARE

2. Half day for scoring tests discussion.

ADJOURNED:
Motion to adjourn at 5: 34 PM

Moved: J. Nee
Second: S. Warren

Passes unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne M. Daley
NTA Secretary