THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
May 11, 2005

Present: Philip Cordella, Vicky Pittman, Angela Sartori, Patricia Van Duser, Dennis D’Alessandro, John Eitel, Stacy Eustance, Philip Gertler, Peter Gonzalez, Donna Liebman.

Absent: Mary Anne Corbett

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 PM

Approval of minutes from April 13, 2005
Moved by: D. D'Alessandro
Seconded by: D. Liebman

Motion carries unanimously

President's Report
1. Committee of 100 May 24, 2005
2. School District Budget Report
3. District interested in entering into negotiations

Vice-President's Report:
1. APPR Survey Results Complied

Treasurer's Report:
Treasurer provided report

New Business:

Motion # 1

Whereas, Thomas J. Kirwan is a lifelong resident of the City of Newburgh, and

Whereas, Assemblyman Kirwan represents the 100th Assembly District, which includes the Newburgh Enlarged City School District, and
Whereas, Assemblyman Kirwan has represented our district and his constituents district with distinction and honor since 1992, and

Whereas, the Assemblyman Kirwan has supported public education and been a friend to the Newburgh Teachers’ Association by his actions, comments and votes on behalf of the people of New York State, and

Whereas, Assemblman Kirwan is a major supporter of defined benefit retirement plans under which our NTA members enjoy their retirement benefits, be it therefore

*Resolved, that the NTA bestow it highest honor, the Friend of Education Award, to Assemblyman Thomas J. Kirwan for 2005.*
(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved by:  J. Eitel  
Seconded by: V. Pittman  
**Motion carries (8-1)**

**Motion #2**

Whereas, the NTA provides up to $700 per school for new teacher initiatives; and

Whereas, Temple Hill Academy has submitted a proposal which has been approved by the New Teacher Committee and NTA President; be it therefore

*Resolved, That the NTA’s Board of Directors approve the New Teacher Initiative Grant for Temple Hill Academy.*
(Submitted by Phil Cordella, NTA President)

Moved by:  J. Eitel  
Seconded by: D. D’Alessandro  
**Motion carries unanimously**

**Motion #3**

Whereas, the NTA provides up to $700 per school for new teacher initiatives; and

Whereas, Gidney Avenue School has submitted a proposal which has been approved by the New Teacher Committee and NTA President; be it therefore

*Resolved, That the NTA’s Board of Directors approve the New Teacher Initiative Grant for Gidney Avenue School.*
(Submitted by Phil Cordella, NTA President)

Moved by:  D. Liebman  
Seconded by: J. Eitel  
**Motion carries unanimously**
Motion # 4

Whereas, the NTA provides up to $700 per school for new teacher initiatives; and

Whereas, Newburgh Free Academy has submitted a proposal which has been approved by the New Teacher Committee and NTA President; be it therefore

Resolved, That the NTA’s Board of Directors approve the New Teacher Initiative Grant for Newburgh Free Academy.
(Submitted by Phil Cordella, NTA President)

Moved by:  J. Eitel
Seconded by: V. Pittman

Motion carries unanimously

Motion # 5

Whereas, the Newburgh Teachers’ Association has established a college scholarship in the name of South Junior High School Math Teacher and former NTA President John DeMiceli, and

Whereas, the award is given to an NFA senior who has demonstrated excellence, leadership and academic ability, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA award this year’s John DeMiceli scholarship to NFA graduating senior Kate McCurdy.
(Submitted by Phil Cordella, NTA President)

Moved by:  P. Van Duser
Seconded by: V. Pittman

Motion carries unanimously

GOOD & WELFARE:
- Thank you to all who participated in the inclusion workshop.
- Fostertown and HOH’s new teacher initiative was a huge success.

ADJOURNMENT:  Meeting adjourned at 4:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia M. Van Duser
Secretary