BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MINUTES
June 11, 2008
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Present: Phil Cordella, Vicky Pittman, David Brown, Patricia Hunter, William Lastowski, and James Nee.

Meeting was called to order: 5:45 PM

Approval of Minutes of May 14, 2008
Moved: W. Lastowski
Seconded: D. Brown
Passed Unanimously

President’s Report
1. Professional Development opportunity (June 27, July 1 & July 2).
2. Letter from NYSUT President Richard C. Iannuzzi re: defeat of the budget.
3. Refinancing the building – current commercial rates higher than what we are paying.

Vice-President’s Report
No Report

Treasurer’s Report
Reports presented by NTA President.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MOTION #1:

Whereas, the safety and smooth operation of the school buildings in the District depends on being able to contact the appropriate resources, and

Whereas, the NTA Substitute Chapter has members who work in a variety of schools and often without the immediate access knowledge of particulars for building resources and contact telephone numbers, such as the main office, the health office, the SAVE room, security, and the administration, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors request that the important contact information be posted in a permanent place near the new telephone locations in all the buildings in a consistent manner that easily identifies each resource.
(Submitted by NTA Substitute Chapter)
Motion was not moved for consideration.

NTA President will write letter addressing concerns for subs and all members.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #1:

Whereas, in the spirit of accurate information in motions which are adopted by the NTA Board of the Directors and, after communication with NTA Retired Teacher Chapter Chairperson Frank G. Colone, the following motion is proposed for reconsideration with corrections duly noted in bold:

Whereas, the Hon. Joseph G. Owen, Supreme Court Justice, County of Orange, has ruled in the matter of Frank G. Colone, Barbara Fogarty, Alan C. Leontovich, and Lenore Smith vs. the Newburgh Teachers’ Association, that

a.”….plaintiffs, as special members of the NTA, and all other special members are entitled to vote in elections for local officers of the NTA, subject to any and all restrictions and conditions with respect to such voting set forth in the NTA Constitution and Bylaws; and
b. “….plaintiffs, as special members of the NTA, and all other special members are entitled to vote on referenda held by the NTA, subject to any and all restrictions and conditions with respect to such voting set forth in the NTA Constitution and Bylaws,” and

Whereas, the NTA Board of Directors have met and reviewed this ruling, be it

Resolved: that for the betterment of the future of the entire Newburgh Teachers’ Association, this decision not be appealed.

(Submitted by NTA Treasurer Angela Sartori)
Note: words in bold reflect the exact wording.

Moved: P. Hunter
Seconded: D. Brown
Passed Unanimously

MOTION #2:

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors approve the committee assignments for the 2008-2009 school year as presented.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved: W. Lastowski
Seconded: D. Brown
Passed Unanimously
MOTION #3:

Whereas, the NTA needs additional clerical help to accomplish the task of re-filing stored documents which were moved during the mold clean up and abatement project last summer; be it therefore

Resolved, the NTA hire a summer employee at the rate of $10 per hour not to exceed 6 hours per day for the period of June 16, 2008 through August 18, 2008.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved: V. Pittman
Seconded: P. Hunter

Passed Unanimously

GOOD AND WELFARE:

NTA Director J. Nee presented Britny Cuilty with the NTA DiMiceli Scholarship at a ceremony at NFA.

Motion to adjourn: 6:56 PM
Moved: W. Lastowski
Seconded: D. Brown

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Cordella
NTA President