BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MINUTES
September 12, 2007

Present: Phil Cordella, Vicky Pittman, Angela Sartori, Karen Roberts, David Brown, Pat Hunter, William Lastowski, Sharon Minard, and Nancy Sparacio.

Meeting was called to order: 4:45 PM

Approval of Minutes of June 27, 2007 as amended
Moved: N. Sparacio
Seconded: V. Pittman        Passed Unanimously

President’s Report
1. Single illness Cancer indemnity plan now available.
2. NYS Comptroller’s Audit of the District was distributed
3. A number of schools have called NTA concerning insufficient training and materials relating to the new elementary reading series.
4. Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk will take place at the Woodbury Commons on October 21, 2007.
5.

Vice - President’s Report
1. Feedback forms for APPR were discussed. Meeting took place over the summer with NTA President, Vice President, Mrs. Leimer, Mrs. Sobel, and Mr. McLymore.
2. NTA Officers met over the summer with Doug Smith, Organization Consultant in conjunction with November Leadership Conference, Mr. Smith will continue to consult with the NTA in the future.
3. Key focus for this year will be to get buildings organized.

Treasurer’s Report
1. NTA Records Inspection Day will take place Tuesday, November 6, 2007.
MOTION #1:

Whereas: the NTA Constitution and Bylaws is a living document and subject to periodic review and revision; be it

Resolved, that the NTA Constitution and Bylaws be amended to reflect the changes as follows:

(text of NTA Constitution and Bylaws Amendments enclosed).

(Submitted by the ad hoc Constitution and Bylaws Committee – Phil Cordella, (NTA), Marilyn Henry (GAMS), Pat Hunter (HJH), Donna Lieberman (HOH), Sharon Minard (FOST), Jim Nee (NFA), Vicky Pittman (NFA), Judith Richards (Retired), Karen Roberts (NWS), Joyce Rollins (Retired), Angela Sartori (NWS), and Nancy Sparacio (MHS).

Moved: S. Minard
Seconded: P. Hunter                               Passed Unanimously

MOTION #2:

Resolved, that the Board of Directors approve the appointment of Lou Stanley, (SJH) as a member of the NTA Grievance Committee, with stipend effective immediately.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved: V. Pittman
Seconded: W. Lastowski                           Passed Unanimously

MOTION #3:

Whereas, the NTA annual Leadership Training Conference had been tentatively approved for a different weekend, be it

Resolved, that the NTA Leadership Conference for 2007 be held November 3-4, 2007 (one overnight) in Pearl River, New York.

(Submitted by NTA Special Events Coordinator Jennifer Laudiero)

Moved: A. Sartori
Seconded: P. Hunter                               Passed Unanimously

MOTION #4:

Resolved, that the Board of Directors approve the purchase of 10 tickets and an ad to the Black and Hispanic Coalition Dinner on Friday, November 2, 2007 for a cost of $600.00.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved: S. Minard
Seconded: N. Sparacio                             Passed Unanimously
MOTION #5:

Resolved, that the Board of Directors approve the purchase of 4 tickets to the 5th annual Glenn E. Hines Celebration and Awards Gala Friday October 12, 2007 for a cost of $240.00.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)
Moved: K. Roberts
Seconded: D. Brown Passed Unanimously

MOTION #6:

Whereas, the NTA continues to receive request for payment by Frank Colone for retirees’ legal services related to a lawsuit against the NTA (see Aug 22, 2007 enclosed), be it

Resolved, that the Board of Directors direct the NTA President to write a letter to Mr. Colone not approving this request and any further voucher requests for payment to Shebitz Berman and Cohen, P.C..

(Submitted by NTA Treasurer Angela Sartori)
Moved: W. Lastowski
Seconded: D. Brown Passed Unanimously

MOTION #7:

Whereas, the NTA Constitution and Bylaws states that procedures for referendum shall be established by the NTA Board of Directors; be it

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors set the October faculty meetings as the date for in-service member voting on changes to the NTA Constitution and Bylaws in each school, and be it further

Resolved, that a mail in ballot system be set up by the NTA Nominations and Election committee for members of the NTA Retiree Chapter and Substitutes and other non in-service voting NTA members with the proper time before and after the October faculty meetings for postmarked ballots.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)
Moved: N. Sparacio
Seconded: D. Brown Passed Unanimously

Motion to adjourn: 6:05 PM
Moved: N. Sparacio
Seconded: D. Brown

[Signature]

Karen Matthews