BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
November 30, 2006

Present: Phil Cordella, Vicky Pittman, Angela Sartori, Pat Hunter, Donna Liebman, Sharon Minard, Steve Schuyler, Nancy Sparacio, William Lastowski.

Meeting was called to order at 4:15 PM

Motion #1
Whereas: the proposed new leased copier machine has added features like direct printing from network computers, scanning and OCR and is nearly a $100 less per month for a total “length of the year lease” savings of $4,896 be it

Resolved: that the NTA Board of Directors authorize the NTA President to sign a 51 month renewal lease for the expired Oce Imagistic copier.

Moved: A. Sartori
Seconded: S. Minard
unanimously

Motion passes

Motion #2
Whereas, the NTA provides up to $750 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 Board of Directors approve the New Teacher Initiative Grant for Gidney Avenue School.

Moved: A. Sartori
Seconded: B. Lastowski

Motion passes (8-1)

Negative vote reflected concern that event took place before Board of Directors approval.

Motion #3

Whereas: the District’s Educational Master Plan is to create new Educational Programs for Pre-K, K-4, 5-8, K-8 and 9-12, and

Whereas: the NTA and the District have collaborated in developing the District’s Educational Master Plan, and

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AFT Local #2867
Whereas: the intern realignment from 2007 through the 2011-2012 school year will include:
- one 9-12 program at two locations (NFA and NJHS)
- two 7-8 programs (SJHS and HJHS)
- two K-8 programs (phased in at Meadow and Temple Hill)
- K-6 programs (in the rest of our elementary schools plus a new elementary school at Chestnut St.)
- 2 Pre-K sites (Washington Street Pre-K Center and St. Francis), and

Whereas: the NTA leadership’s responsibility is to uphold the contract and maintain vigilance over hard fought gains in the areas of seniority, hiring, and voluntary transfers, and

Whereas: the District has met with the head delegates of each building in two, day-long sessions to thoroughly answer questions and explain past and future bond expenditures, and

Whereas: the Building and Capital Improvement Bond is separate from the School District’s Operational Budget and that money raised from borrowing for capital improvements will not be spent on paper, copiers, textbooks, teacher salaries, or educational programs, and conversely, if the Bond does not pass, repairs and maintenance priorities may reduce needed operational dollars, and

Whereas: project labor agreements, building advisory committees, health and safety teams, and educational planning committees have been considered and consulted, where applicable, in developing the $99.5 Bond Referendum, be it therefore

Resolved: that through careful deliberation and input, the NTA’s Board of Directors, in the best interest of the membership and educational community, support the December 12, 2006 Bond and furthermore, be it therefore

Resolved: that the NTA Board of Director’s authorize the NTA President to place into motion the NTA’s formidable and comprehensive Get-Out-The-Vote campaign to pass the Bond Referendum #2, and be it further

Moved: P. Hunter
Seconded: N. Sparacio

NTA Vice President Vicky Pittman assumed the chair

Amendment to the main motion

Resolved: If and when the bond passes, NTA oversight committees will be established to monitor the implementation of the Bond project.

Moved: P. Cordella
Seconded: D. Liebman
unanimously

Main motion

Motion passes

Motion passes (7-2)

NTA President Phil Cordella assumed the chair

Good and Welfare

NYSUT RA assembly is in April this year.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:34 PM

Moved: V. Pittman
Seconded: S. Minard