THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
December 14, 2005

Present: Philip Cordella, Vicky Pittman, Angela Sartori, Patricia Van Duser, John Eitel, Jr., Stacy Eustance, Philip Gertler, Peter Gonzalez, William Lastowski, Donna Liebman and Karen Roberts

Meeting was called to order at 4:15 PM

Approval of minutes from November 9, 2005
Moved: W. Lastowski
Seconded: J. Eitel

Passes unanimously.

President’s Report
1. Insufficient Funds Responses
2. Single issue MOAs (5)
3. No date set for BOE forums
4. Center Based Review Committee – next meeting January 10, 2006
5. Secondary SAC and SAVE Meeting review, elementary review January 10, 2006
6. December 13, 2005 letter from NTA President as a follow up to the Educational Planning Staff Development Day of December 7, 2005.

Vice-President’s Report:
1. Substitute Teachers’ Chapter Negotiations
2. Administrator Survey

Treasurer’s Report:
Treasurer provided report

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:
**MOTION #1:**

Resolved, that the NTA’s Board of Directors appoint Yvette Lewis Newburgh Teacher Center Policy Board Chairperson effective October 1, 2005.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved by: J. Eitel  
Seconded by: V. Pittman  
Motion passes unanimously

**MOTION #2:**

Resolved, that the NTA’s Board of Directors appoint Jim Nee acting NTA Grievance Chairperson effective December 1, 2005.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved by: P. Van Duser  
Seconded by: W. Lastowski  
Motion passes (9-1)

**MOTION #3:**

Whereas, the NTA has a long history of supporting community groups and efforts which benefit the student and teachers of the Newburgh Enlarged City School District, and

Whereas, Tuition Assistance Dinner Dance of the Trowell-Harris Chapter Tuskegee Airmen is one such event which raises money to provide scholarships to our students, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA’s Board of Directors authorize the purchase of 10 tickets at $45 per ticket to their February 4, 2005 event.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)

Moved by: P. Van Duser  
Seconded by: J. Eitel  
Motion passes unanimously

**MOTION #4:**

Whereas, it is in the best interest of the teachers and students that the Newburgh Teachers’ Association support the revitalization efforts of the City of Newburgh, and

Whereas, there is a proposal to site an Orange County Community College campus in the city of Newburgh, be it therefore

Resolved, that the Newburgh Teachers’ Association support the Orange County Community College Newburgh campus initiative and assist in its implementation wherever possible and, that it be further

Resolved, that the NTA’s support is contingent on a Project Labor Agreement being negotiated.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella)
MOTION #5:

Whereas, the NTA Office, 52 Pierces Road, Newburgh, NY houses the Newburgh Teachers’ Association, the Newburgh Teachers’ Association Benefit Trust Fund and various work, meeting rooms and storage rooms, and

Whereas, it is in the best interest of the membership to have the most efficient configuration of building office space, and

Whereas, the NTA Benefit Trust Fund also warrants private space to conduct Fund business and secure locations to maintain files, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA’s Board of Directors authorize:

1. The demolition of an interior wall and construction of a new wall in another location, plus the purchase and installation of a door, 4 additional electrical outlets for the new wall, capping off the wiring from the former wall, plus painting the new wall for $7300.00, and
2. The removal and installation of approximately 150 square feet of new carpeting which includes new base molding strips and the moving of furniture, cabinets and files to new locations for $2525.00, and
3. The relocating of security alarm buzzers for $3167.97, and
4. The relocating of commuter network outlets including resetting all computers for $891.00, and be it further

Resolved, that the budget be amended and the funds for the office reconfiguration project cited above be transferred from the NTA savings account.

(Submitted by NTA President Phil Cordella and NTA Treasurer Angela Sartori)

Moved by: A. Sartori
Seconded by: V. Pittman
Motion passes unanimously

GOOD & WELFARE:
• Questions Regarding Upcoming NTA Officer Elections

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 5:11 PM

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Patricia M. Van Duser
Secretary