DELEGATE ASSEMBLY MINUTES
January 14, 2009

Present: Officers: Phil Cordella, Vicky Pittman, Karen Roberts and Angela Sartori

Additional Attendees: Ed Issues Chair G. Pinheiro, VOTE/COPE Chair: P. Van Duser New Teacher Initiative Chair: M. Henry, Health and Safety: J. LeRoy

Schools not represented: Administration, and Executive Dr.

Meeting was called to order at 4:20 PM

Approval of the Minutes of November 19, 2008

Moved: J. Eitel
Seconded: J. Nee
Move to table to next meeting
Approved: P. Hunter
Seconded: B. Browne

Approval of the Minutes of December 17, 2008

Moved: J. Eitel
Seconded: P. Hunter

Passed Unanimously

President’s Report

1. Cancer Screening Form was distributed and discussed. Each member is now allowed ½ day for a cancer screening which will not be charged to the member’s sick or personal time.

2. Retirement Incentive was discussed. Supplemental Memorandum of Agreement was distributed.
3. Staff movement MOA was distributed and discussed as it pertains to the reconfiguration.

Vice-President's Report
1. On December 15th the last Performance conditions meetings with grade levels and departments were held. The binder is now complete. The committee will meet to make recommendations in hopes that Labor-Management will use these notes for contract negotiations.

2. Treasurer's Report
1. Report given at meeting, check registry was made available.

Committee Reports
- **Labor Management**: Report given at meeting
- **Grievance**: We have ten Stage II that were heard on 12/4 & 12/9 and three Stage II waiting to be scheduled. Committee to meet with Human Resources on January 22, 2009.
- **Health and Safety**: There are still a few schools left that need to send a list of building level members to Jeanne Daley. Mr. Pizzo feels the DRT committee does work and worked well.
- **Educational Issues Advocacy**: Urgent call from NYSUT for and immediate Committee of 100. They are referring to it as an extraordinary session for lobbying. Will take place on February 2, 2009. NTA President Phil Cordella and Teacher Center Chair John Eitel will attend. NTA President will look into a BCC (blind carbon copy) email list to remind members to email their legislators.
- **Teacher Center**: Finishing registrations for in-service courses there were 550 registrations and 250 cancellations. Mentor logs have been on time. Reminder: They are due end of February. Requests for summer and next fall in-service courses are now being accepted.
- **Nomination and Elections**: Karen Roberts will temporarily step down as chair due to her status as a candidate in the NTA Officer Election. Head Delegates will meet on January 21st packets are available announcing the candidates and the Candidate Forum.
- **Sabbatical**: No Report
- **Special Events**: No Report
- **ER&D**: Two people Lou Stanley and Mary Gordon completed training for Middle School Math (Thinking Mathematics) District is considering implementing this program.
- **VOTE/COPE**: Many forms were turned in. Forms only need to be turned in if you are increasing or decreasing your contribution. Money will begin being deducted last pay in January to the first pay in June.
- **Teaching Assistants**: There will be no election for the Teaching Assistants. Defensive Driving course will be announced. 230 holiday wish lists were filled for families at Safe Homes with the help of NTA members. Starting Healthy in Newburgh Fair will be April 25th from 10-2. Please contact an executive member for details.
- **New Member Initiative**: Any questions can be sent to M. Henry at HJH. Applications are due by March 30, 2009
- **Retirees**: No Report
- **Substitutes**: No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS
GOOD AND WELFARE

Family in the district was burned out of their home. If anyone would like to donate clothing, please contact Maryann Corbett at THA.

ADJOURNMENT
Motion to adjourn at 5:06 PM
Moved: J. Daley
Seconded: W. Lastowski
Passed Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Reyes
NTA Secretary