Newburgh
Teachers’
Association

DELEGATE ASSEMBLY MINUTES
January 13, 2010

Present: Officers: P. Van Duser, J. LeRoy, E. Hart, J. Daley
Balmville: S. Quinn, Executive Drive: N. Colon; Fostertown: J. Conn; Gardnertown, E. Welber; Gidney Ave: G. Pinheiro, M. Scully, H. Perez; Heritage: J. Lastowski;
AFT/NYSUT Delegates: P. Cordella; Committee Chairs/ Other Attendees: J. Richards
Schools not represented: Administration, Stewart, West St., Bishop Dunn, Sacred Heart, St. Joseph’s

Meeting was called to order at 4:15 PM

Approval of minutes
November 18, 2009
Moved: J. Conn
Second: W. Lastowski

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
1. NYSUT Leader
2. Race to the Top Application: largest grant $700,000,000.00. 656 out of 700 Districts applied so far. Applications due 1/18/10 to Washington D.C.
3. Email your legislatures to oppose increasing charter school cap.
4. Infinite Campus-hold off on signing release.
5. Congratulations to Shirley Reifenhauser, Social Studies Teacher at NFA who received her National Board Certification.
6. Letter from Superintendent on lesson plans and walkthroughs
7. Pendulum is at the printers
9. Congratulations to Karen Roberts, the recipient of the Mother Jones Award. Award will be given out February 26, 2010.
VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT
1. Continuing to meet with the Teaching Assistant Chapter.
2. NYS TRS sessions

TREASURER’S REPORT
1. Attached

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Grievance: Resolution of 3 out of 4 Stage II received. Discussion on one Stage III continues. Only one Stage II waits scheduling.
Health and Safety: Nothing new to report.
Labor Management: 4 major agendas: (1) Home Teaching sunsets in June (2) Infinite Campus demanded bargaining (3) Retirement incentive on the table (4) February 4th, 2010, next meeting for bargaining ground rules.
Education Advocacy Issues: Go to the link and fax to legislators. Volunteers are needed to formulate questions for Board of Education candidates.
NTC: Report attached.
ER&D: Report attached.
Vote Cope: Payroll deduction started for the 2010 calendar year. Teachers can still contribute by making a check out to NTA VOTE-COPE. So far, $3950.00 more donated than last year.
SAVE: Still requesting training for Administrators and Teachers for consistency in referrals. Any referral problems should be forward to the NTA if the referral is not being handled correctly. Keep a full copy of your referrals. The question continues as to who is teaching the removed student when there is no SAVE room? The next meeting of the committee is January 19th, 2010.
Events: December event took place at My Place where the Reilly Awards were presented.
TA Chapter Safe Homes sent thank you for toys received. Defensive Driving Course will take place on February 20th, 2010.
Substitute Chapter: Next meeting on Wednesday, 4:15pm at the NTA office.

NEW BUSINESS
None at this time

GOOD AND WELFARE
• Sympathies to Helen Zoutis, on the loss of her husband; Jennifer Santana on the loss of her grandmother; Frank Colone on the loss of his father; Raylynne Moore on the loss of her son, Vicky Pittman on the loss of her ex-husband; and James Kavanaugh, retired teacher passed away.

ADJOURNED:
Motion to adjourn at 4:45 PM

Moved: J. Nee
Second: B. Browne

Passes Unanimously

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