DELEGATE ASSEMBLY MINUTES
February 22, 2012

Present: Officers: P. Van Duser, J. LeRoy, E. Hart, J. Daley
Retiree Chapter: R. Leduc, D. Morano, R. Coughlin, J. Eitel Jr., L. Smith;
Substitute Chapter: K. McCrossen; Teaching Assistant Chapter: T. Brady-Lyden;
B. Johnson, AFT/NYSUT DEL: J. Eitel Jr.; NYSUT DEL: M. Riverol;

Schools not represented: Balmville; Gardnertown; Heritage; West St.; Bishop Dunn; Sacred Heart.

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 4:31 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

January 18, 2012

Moved: J. Conn
Second: N. Lorenzo

Passes unanimously

PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

1. Letter and response to Board of Education President Ms. D. Fuchek and Superintendent of Schools, Mr. R. Pizzo discussed.
2. Mrs. Pamela Peterson will have the second in her series of Parent Universities on April 28, 2012. The series covers topics such as strategies for learning and homework help.
3. The first BOE budget meeting is February 29, 2012 in the NFA Main South Cafeteria.
4. The 2012-2013 School Calendar is before the BOE for approval.
**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Nothing new to report this month.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Report is attached.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

**Nomination and Election Committee:** for Karen Roberts, M. Bowe read letter congratulating newly elected NTA Officers and thanking the committee for all their hard work.

**BOE Policy:** B. Browne-Fazio reported on the new attendance policy.

**BOE Curriculum:** N. Morales reported on the presentations of Dr. Shanahan and Mr. Forgit. Next month there will be a Literacy Plan presentation.

**Central Compact:** T. Vidi reported that the committee met at New Windsor School and the Librarian/Media Specialists and the RTI Chairperson made presentations.

**Ed Issues:** G. Pinheiro reported on the items in the news concerning budget cuts from Albany, the Member Action Committee (MAC), Tier 6 proposal. He encouraged members to access the NYSUT website for more information and contacting local legislators with concerns.

**Grievance:** L. Mangan reported February 15, 2012 two Stage II grievances were presented, and anticipates favorable outcome for the members. One Stage II is still pending scheduling.

**Health & Safety:** J. Daley reported on the recent floods at GAMS in the area of construction.

**Labor Management:** J. Nee reported the meeting on March 9, 2012 will be centered on the new APPR.

**Newburgh Teacher Center:** J. Nee reported on the new one credit course being presented at each school on the new writing unit. Spring proposals for courses will be accepted starting next week.

**SAVE:** B. Browne-Fazio reported on the proposal to re-write the Code of Conduct to make it friendlier and the proposed tier intervention system. Reminded members to save gold copies of referrals. Administrators will be asked if more training on referrals is needed for their building.

**Special Events:** P. Van Duser reported for J. Laudiero that the Friends of Education Dinner will be held at the Osiris Country Club in June, 2012.

**VOTE/COPE:** M. Olsen had nothing new to report at this time.

**Retiree Chapter:** D. Morano had nothing new to report at this time.

**Teaching Assistant Chapter:** T. Brady-Lyden had nothing new to report at this time.

**Substitute Chapter:** K. McCrossen reported on the concerns of substitutes about the differences in each building. They would like to explore ways to communicate these differences at the buildings.

**NEW BUSINESS**

No new business at this time.
GOOD AND WELFARE

J. Richards recalled that the BOE at one time would caution speakers to not mention names during their time at the microphone. Could policies in other districts be looked at to compare to Newburgh?

P. Van Duser informed the membership that the construction to create the K-8 program at GAMS is behind schedule and the K-5 configuration will remain until September, 2013. Members reconfiguration rights remain unchanged.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 4:49 PM
Moved: J. Nee
Second: B. Browne-Fazio

Passes unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne M. Daley
NTA Secretary