Delegate Assembly Minutes
April 26, 2006

Present: Officers: Phil Cordella, Vicky Pittman, Angela Sartori, Patricia Van Duser.

Schools not represented: Adm, Gardnertown, St. Francis, Substitutes:

Meeting was called to order at 4:15 PM

Approval of March 15, 2006

Corrections-S. Eustance

Moved: P. Hunter
Seconded: R. Grove

Minutes Approved Unanimously

President’s Report

1. Introduction of NTA Endorsed Board Candidates: Runston Lewis, Pamela Resch, Frank Galli
2. NTA/Board Forum - May 15, 2006 New Windsor
3. 2006 NTA Friend of Education Newburgh Free Library
4. School Budget Vote
5. “NTA for Habitat” Walk Sunday, April 30, 2006 Downing Park 1:00 PM Register under NTA Banner
6. Summer School Rates

Vice-President’s Report

1. Sabbatical Committee
2. Substitute Teachers Negotiation June 2, 2006

Treasurer’s Report
(see attached)
Motion to change the order of business in order to move motion #1

Moved: Patricia Van Duser
Seconded: Karen Roberts

**MOTION #1**

Resolved, that the NTA's Delegate Assembly approve the proposed NTA 2006-2007 budget and dues structure as submitted by the NTA Treasurer.

(Submitted by the NTA's Board of Directors)

Moved: P. Van Duser
Seconded: D. Liebman

Motion Passes Unanimously

Committee Reports:
- Teaching Assistants
- Labor Management
- Grievance
- Health and Safety
- Educational Issues Advocacy
- Teacher Center
- Nomination and Elections
- New Member
- Events
- ER&D
- VOTE/COPE
- Publication

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

**MOTION #2**

Whereas, NTA members will begin the 2006-2007 school year with a settled collective bargaining agreement good through 2009-2010 school year, and

Whereas, it the mission of our union to protect public education by advocating for and assuring adequate staffing, appropriate funding of needed programs, and a commitment to quality education, and

Whereas, the defeat of a school budget and imposition of an austerity budget would wreak havoc on current conditions including but not limited to staff levels, extra curriculum activities, needed supplies, and more be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA advocate for the passage of the 2006-2007 school district and library budget and work diligently to secure its passage.

(Submitted by the NTA's Board of Directors)

Moved: K. Masten
Seconded: P. Hunter

Motion Passes Unanimously
MOTION #3
Whereas, there has been a significant increase in new members since January 1, 2003, and
Whereas, there is a lack of knowledge regarding the July 1, 2002 – June 30, 2006 contract and recent contract extension, and
Whereas, continuing concerns such as health insurance, vouchers and other issues continued to be important to NTA members, and
Whereas, recent concerns such as social security reform and pensions are now major concerns for active and retired teachers and will continue to be in the coming years and
Whereas, the importance of political action and Vote Cope must be continually reinforced, therefore be it
Resolved, that the NTA develop a comprehensive plan to inform and educate the membership regarding the aforementioned issues, and be it further
Resolved, that this plan be developed and coordinated jointly by the leadership and the Vote Cope Committee, Educational Issues Advocacy Committee, New Member Committee and the Pendulum, but not limited to those committees, and be it further
Resolved, that these committees report their progress monthly to the delegate assembly.

(Submitted by the NTA’s Board of Directors)
Moved: P. Gertler
Seconded: J. Eitel
Motion Passes Unanimously

MOTION #4
Whereas, the NTA supports Habitat for Humanity, be it
Resolved that the NTA support the Smiles for Life Foundation by informing its members that they can have their teeth whitened (50% off) for $300 and 100% of the $300 is donated to Newburgh’s Habitat for Humanity.

(Submitted by the NTA’s Board of Directors)
Moved: J. Eitel
Seconded: V. Pittman
Motion Passes Unanimously

GOOD and WELFARE

ADJOURNMENT
* Motion to adjourn at 4:50PM

Moved: J. Nee
Seconded: P. Hunter

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]
Patricia M. Van Duser