DELEGATE ASSEMBLY MINUTES
June 13, 2012

Balmville: A. Healey; Gidney Ave.: B. Glynn, C. Malcolm, G. Pinheiro, M. Scully,
B. Underhill, V. Marin; Heritage Middle: J. Laudiero; Horizons: N. Lorenzo, D. Brown;
Meadow Hill: T. Cadden, S. Warren, M. DeGraw; New Windsor: M. Bowe, J. Logerfo,
K. Roberts; NFA M: J. Borgia, B. Browne-Fazio, S. Hall, S. Moran, A. Plichta; NFA North:
L. Colacchio, B. Rubin; South Middle: D. Crisci-Rodriguez; Temple Hill: M. Corbett,
L. Puma, K. Wingfield; Retiree Chapter: J. Eitel; Committee Chairs: Grievance: L. Mangan,
A. Sartori; Board of Education Curriculum: N. Morales; VOTE/COPE: M. Olson;
Other Attendees: C. Johnson-Cromer.

Schools not represented: Administration; Fostertown; Gardnertown; Vails Gate;
West St.; Bishop Dunn; Sacred Heart; Substitute Chapter: Teaching Assistant Chapter;

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 4:32 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
May 16, 2012

Moved: K. Roberts
Second: D. Brown
Passed Unanimously

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. June 12, 2012 met with 27 of the 30 laid off teachers.
2. NYSUT Survey on Tax Cap showed 78% of NYSUT members agree with Tax Cap legislation. 98% of NYS School budgets passed, but at the expense of Teachers, Teaching Assistants, and programs.
3. June 8, 2012 Department of Labor personnel here to assist laid off teachers.
4. June 18, 2012 meeting with displaced teachers to pick open positions according to the Seniority list.
5. Great turnout for the Friend of Education Dinner held June 7, 2012 at Osiris Country Club.
6. Committee of 100 met in the middle of May with Sen. Larkin and Councilman Skartados to discuss mandated reforms, and tax cap reform issues.
7. NYSUT is protesting the publishing of teacher’s APPR scores. The central issue is balancing teacher privacy with parent’s right to access.
8. Congressional and Senatorial endorsements are heating up since May, 2012.
9. Staff Development attached to half days given the last week of June, 2012.

VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

Nothing new to report at this time.
Thank you address given.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Attached.

SECRETARY’S REPORT:

Board of Education Curriculum: N. Morales reported the meeting was cancelled.
Board of Education Policy: B. Browne-Fazio reported the next meeting is June 18, 2012.
Educational Issues: G. Pinheiro reported on phone banks for the election primary of Sean Patrick Maloney will be help for one night June 25, 2012 from 6-9 PM. Phone banks will also be held at the Stone Castle Teamsters Hall June 20 and 21, 2012. Door to door campaigning will occur June 23, 2012. All volunteers are welcome.
Nomination and Elections: K. Roberts reported that B. Rubin won the run-off election for the twelfth NYSUT Delegate seat. Thanks to office staff L. Giansante and L.Mahon, the Nominations and Elections Committee, as well as retirees who manned the voting polls.
Grievance: L. Mangan reported no new grievances at this time.
Health and Safety: J. Daley reported on the awarding of prizes to the Hand Washing Poster Contest winners. There will not be a meeting for June, 2012.
Labor Management: P. Van Duser reported the committee met before the Memorial Holiday break and the next meeting is TBA.
Newburgh Teacher Center: P. Van Duser reported the NTC Coordinator position is posted through Human Resources.
SAVE: B. Browne-Fazio reported the committee met June 12, 2012. Head Delegates are invited to send members for one day training in August. Code of Conduct was reviewed and mixing of RTI and behavioral issues with educational issues continues to be a concern. Discussion continues on how to embed Dignity for All Students (DASA) in Code of Conduct. There is no job description, policy, or procedure for the Dignity Act Coordinator. The last meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2012 before the BOE makes a recommendation for this position.
Special Events: J. Laudiero reported on the successful Friend of Education Dinner. The next event will be our annual Welcome Back Bash with details TBD.
VOTE/COPE: M. Olson reported that the campaign will begin anew in the fall with emphasis on payroll deduction option.
NEW BUSINESS

MOTION # 1:

Resolved, that the NTA Delegate Assembly accept the results of the NYSUT/AFT/NEA Election held on May 21, 2012 and the results of the June 12, 2012 run-off election.
(Submitted by the NTA Board of Directors)

Moved: L. Colacchio
Second: K. Roberts Passed unanimously

MOTION # 2:

Whereas, the NTA has a long history of political endorsements and political success and;
Whereas, NTA member Christopher Eachus, is running for the New York State Senate, 39th District and;
Whereas, he has a “new energy” and “new ideas” to help solve the problems of New York and;
Whereas, he comes out of the classroom to offer his valuable talents to get New York back on the right track, be it therefore
Resolved, that the Newburgh Teachers’ Association endorse Christopher Eachus to the New York State Senate, 39th District.
(Submitted by the NTA Board of Directors)

Moved: S. Hall
Second: B. Browne-Fazio Passed unanimously

MOTION # 3:

Whereas, the NTA has a long history of political endorsements and political success and;
Whereas, Democrat Sean Patrick Maloney has been fighting for middle class Americans his whole life, and served as a key advisor in President Bill Clinton’s White House and,
Whereas, Maloney was part of the team that ran a budget surplus, helped grow the economy, and create opportunities for all Americans, be it therefore
Resolved, that the Newburgh Teachers’ Association endorse Sean Patrick Maloney for 18th Congressional District.
(Submitted by the NTA Board of Directors)

Moved: L. Colacchio
Second: G. Pinheiro Passed unanimously
GOOD AND WELFARE:

D. Brown spoke to thank P. Van Duser and J. LeRoy for their service. P. Van Duser gave thanks to the Delegate Assembly for the honor and privilege of serving them.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 4:55 PM
Moved: D. Brown
Second: L. Mangan
Passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne M. Daley
NTA Secretary