DELEGATE ASSEMBLY MINUTES
September 19, 2007

Present: Officers: Phil Cordella, Vicky Pittman, Karen Roberts. Alt. Program
@Stewart: J. Daley. Balmville: C. Franklin. Executive Dr.: N. Colon.
Altmann, M. Corbett, R. Grove, M. Higgins, W. Kostenblatt, K. Wingfield. Vails Gate:
C. Moriello, M. Wiley Pre K @ Washington St.: G. Luloff, D. Mahusky. Pre-K @
St. Francis: E. Hart. AFT Delegates: P. Giansante, B. Lastowski. NYSUT Delegates:
N. Karnavezos. Retirees: J. Richards Teaching Assistants: S. Manning, J. Mongelli,
Finnerty, NFA.
Schools not represented: Administration, Chestnut St., Substitutes

Meeting was called to order at 4:15 PM

Approval of Minutes of June 20, 2007
Moved: W. Lastowski Passed Unanimously
Seconded: J. Mongelli

Unanimous consent to change agenda

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #1

Whereas, the NTA Constitution and Bylaws is a living document and subject to periodic
review and revisions be it,

Resolved, that the NTA Constitution and Bylaws be amended to reflect the changes as
follows with the proposed Bylaws amendments only becoming effective when, and if, the
Constitutional Amendments are ratified.
MOTION #2

Whereas, the NTA annual Leadership Conference had been tentatively approved for a different weekend, be it

Resolved, that the NTA Leadership Conference for 2007 be held November 3-4, 2007 (one overnight) in Pearl River, New York.

President’s Report
1. Aflac Cancer Policy forms are due through Preferred Group
2. Audit of NECSD by NYS Comptroller’s Office available on the NYS website
3. Insufficient training and materials related to the reading series
4. Professional Development: Lesson Study in three schools.
5. Awaiting copy machine improvement plan by District

Vice-President’s Report
1. Meetings to take place to discuss performance conditions with each grade level and subject area.
2. Leadership conference theme is to improve effectiveness and participation in the union

Treasurer’s Report
1. Records Inspection Day will be held November 6th

Committee Reports
- Labor Management- Report given at meeting
- Grievance- Report given at meeting
- Health and Safety- First meeting of the school year will be September 20, 2007.
- Educational Issues Advocacy- CLC backing local candidates
- Teacher Center- Balmville, Vails Gate, and Temple Hill to have lesson studies. Reading Coaches will be involved, Policy Board is working on Professional Development Plan revisions, shortage of mentors. Training for new mentors was requested, 2 new courses coming soon,
- Nomination and Elections- Constitutional Amendment vote to be held at October faculty meetings. Delegate/Alternate elections October 2, 2007 in your building. Nominations/Elections Chair will meet with Head Delegates to give more information.
- Special Events- Leadership Conference to be held at the Hilton in Pearl River November 3 &4.
- ER&D- One person went for National Training, New Teacher Orientation, Substitute training and TA Orientation were successful.
- VOTE/COPE- $42,000 collected. Follow up campaign will be October and November.
- Teaching Assistants- Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk will be held Oct. 21, 2007, Safe Homes Baskets for a fundraiser, Defensive Driving Class will be held again.
- New Member Initiative- Money for delegate, alternate, new members for dinners to discuss union issues. These should be held early in the year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

GOOD AND WELFARE
Issues with lesson plans again in some buildings.
Sub System- issues with requesting subs
Sub list not updated,
Wage and Salary statements coming out after October adjustment period
Sick days to be reported quarterly
APPR does not talk about building goals – teacher may agree to but cannot be mandated
Welcome to first year teacher present who is a mentee
Scoring of benchmarks done on a building level, teachers will be grading exams
New scanners in each school
Benchmarks inclusion in grading discussed
No extra time given in schools for grading
Information was rolled out through Central Compact Committee which is problematic
Building Walk-throughs are still in place this year

ADJOURNMENT
Motion to adjourn at 5:40 PM
Moved: B. Lastowski
Seconded: P. Hunter
Passed Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Roberts
NTA Secretary