DELEGATE ASSEMBLY MINUTES  
September 16, 2009


Schools not represented: Gardnertown, Gidney Ave, Bishop Dunn, Sacred Heart, St. Joseph's, Substitutes' Chapter.

Meeting called to order at 4:15 pm.

Moment of silence for members and family members who have passed away this summer.

Approval of minutes
June 17, 2009
Moved: W. Lastowski
Seconded: J. Nee
Passed Unanimously

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
1. Complete a week long training this summer in Albany. Spent countless hours working on “Opening Day DVD.” Work on district PDP with TC Policy Board.
2. Injury to one is an injury to all. Let’s be supportive of one another instead of attacking. Remember to call the NTA first.
3. Rehire of a pre-k teacher and teaching assistant.
4. Improvements to the building and new phone system is up and running.
5. Postings for after school programs: GAMS, HOH, MHS.
7. Need for three teachers on the district diversity committee. Please send a letter of interest to NTA@newburghta.com.
8. Schedule of start and end times.
9. Pendulum is at the printers.
10. School is Cool Program.
11. Our website won 3rd place from International Labor Communications Assoc.
12. Habitat Volunteer Celebration Sept 18 @ the Ritz on Broadway in Newburgh.
13. Flex forms are due September 21 to payroll.
14. Friday attended lunch with the Retired Teachers Chapter. It is always a pleasure to be included and see so many former teachers and colleagues doing well!!
15. Don't forget Welcome Back Party September 25 4-8, Laborer's Pavilion on Little Britain Rd. We have 90 people signed up!

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT
- Worked on Summer School issues at the beginning of the summer.
- Will work as a liaison to the Teaching Assistant Chapter
- Will be the NTA contact person for Making Strides Walk, Oct. 18

TREASURER REPORT
- Reports given at meeting. Check registry was made available

COMMITTEE REPORTS
1. Labor Mgt: Meeting Friday, September 18th.
2. Grievance: 1 Stage 2 open and 1 Stage 2 to be filed.
3. Health and Safety:
4. Educational Issues Advocacy- we will be making phone calls for our Legislatures on Oct 29, 30, November 2 & 3.
5. Teacher Center
6. Nominations and Elections
7. Special Events
8. ER & D
9. Sabbatical
10. VOTE/COPE
11. Contract 101
12. Teaching Assistants
13. SAVE
14. Retirees
15. Substitutes

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #1

Resolved, that the NTA Delegate Assembly approve the revised edition of the NTA calendar.
(submitted by NTA Board of Directors)
Moved:  B. Browne  
Seconded:  D. Brown  
Passed Unanimously

**MOTION # 2**

Resolved, that the NTA Delegate Assembly approve the revised edition of the NTA committees and stipends.  
(Submitted by NTA Board of Directors)

Moved:  D. Brown  
Seconded:  S. Manning  
Passed Unanimously

**MOTION # 3**

Whereas, it is in the best interest of our membership to have a professional, efficient and secure office space, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA’s Delegate Assembly authorize the President to obtain bids from reputable locksmiths to change all exterior locks and install an additional lock on the upstairs door. 
(Submitted by NTA Board of Directors)

Moved:  M. Olsen  
Seconded:  L. Colacchio  
Passed Unanimously

**MOTION # 4**

Whereas, the NTA members who are NYS Teacher Retirement System delegates will be electing a teacher member to the retirement board this November, and

Whereas, NYSUT has endorsed Michael Corn for teacher member to the retirement system, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA endorse the candidacy of Michael Corn and urge the delegates to vote accordingly. 
(Submitted by NTA Board of Directors)

Moved:  J. Eitel  
Seconded:  N. Lorenzo  
Passed Unanimously

**MOTION # 5**

Resolved, that the NTA Delegate Assembly accept the timeline and conditions of the upcoming NTA Delegate/Alternate Election for the 2009-2010 school year as presented by the NTA Nominations and Elections Committee. 
(Submitted by NTA Board of Directors)
 Moved:       J. Eitel
Seconded:    M. Wiley                    Passed Unanimously

MOTION #6

Whereas, the NTA Constitution requires a middle level delegate to be elected to the NTA Board of Directors, and

Whereas, the district’s reconfiguration plan has designated Meadow Hill School and Temple Hill Academy as K-8 buildings and NFA North Campus is part of NFA

Whereas, grade 7 – 8 teachers should be considered middle level teachers, and

Whereas, grade 9 teachers at NFA North Campus be considered high school teachers, be it therefore

Resolved, that Meadow Hill School and Temple Hill Academy be assigned the appropriate number of middle level delegates as per allowed by the NTA Constitution, and

Resolved, that NFA North Campus be assigned the appropriate number of high school level delegates as per allowed by the NTA Constitution.
(submitted by NTA Board of Directors)

 Moved:       W. Lastowski
Seconded:    D. Brown                    Passed Unanimously

MOTION #7

Whereas, the NTA has a long history of political endorsements and political success, and;

Whereas, NTA members: Christopher W. Eachus is a candidate for re-election to the 15th, Anthony Marino is a candidate for re-election the 17th, and Domenic Tebano is a candidate for election to the 16th Orange County Legislative District, and

Resolved, that the Newburgh Teachers’ Association endorse Christopher W. Eachus, Anthony Marino and Domenic Tebano for Orange County Legislature.
(submitted by NTA Board of Directors)

 Moved:       L. Colacchio
Seconded:    V. Pittman                  Passed Unanimously

MOTION #8

Whereas, the Newburgh Teachers’ Association has been a proud and active sponsor of Making Strides Against Breast Cancer and;
Whereas, participation by NTA members, their families and their friends are greatly encouraged to make this year’s event a success be it therefore;

Resolved: That the NTA support and advocate participation at this year’s Making Strides Against Breast Cancer event on October 18, 2009 at Woodbury Common Premium Outlets in Monroe, New York.
(submitted by NTA Board of Directors)

Moved: N. Lorenzo
Seconded: L. Colacchio  Passed Unanimously

GOOD AND WELFARE

- Thanks you to everyone that made the transition a smooth one. The NTA Staff- Lenore and Lorraine; The BTF- Robin and Russ; The officers, new and former. Special thanks to Nelson Colon for all the time working on our computers and Jim Nee for being there to help with his contractual knowledge.
- D. Mahusky asked about clarification between sick vs personal day issue.
- M. Corbett gave kudos to P. Van Duser for the smooth transition.
- B. Johnson added that Pre-K staff was there to assist the bookbag give away.
- V. Pittman praised the idea of bring non-perishable foods to the Welcome Back Bash.

ADJOURNED:

Motion to adjourn: J. Nee
Seconded: R. Morrow

Meeting adjourned at 5:45pm

Respectfully submitted: J. Daley