DELEGATE ASSEMBLY MINUTES
November 16, 2011

Fostertown: J. Conn, J. Komondorea, D. McDonough; Gardnertown: R. Phillips;
Horizons: J. Catalano N. Lorenzo; Meadow Hill: T. Cadden, E. Colon, J. Ellingson, K Gunsch,
S. Warren; New Windsor: M. Bowe, J. Loderfo, M. Petruncola, K. Steel; NFA: J. Borgia,
B. Browne-Fazio, S. Hall, S. Moran, A. Plichta, T. Stuart; NFA North: L. Colacchio; South
Middle: M. Bell; Temple Hill: M. Corbett, L. Mills, L. Puma; Vails Gate: M. Smith, T.
Buffamante; West St.: N. Colon; Substitute Chapter: K. McCrossen; Retiree Chapter:
P. Gertler, R. Leduc; Teaching Assistant Chapter: S. Manning, B. Johnson, T. Brady-Lyden;
NYSUT DEL: M. Riverol; Committee Chairs/ Other Attendees: A. Sartori,
L. Mangan.

Schools not represented: Administration; Balmville; Heritage Middle; Bishop Dunn; Sacred Heart.

CALL TO ORDER:
Meeting called to order at 4:35 pm.
Moment of Silence.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

October 19, 2011
Moved: B. Browne-Fazio
Second: J. Conn
Passes unanimously

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:
1. NTA received thank you notes from NYSUT Disaster Relief Fund for our contribution and
   from Mrs. P. Peterson the District’s Parent Coordinator, for the School is Cool program
   donation.
2. Health Insurance Benefit information is Friday, November 18, 2011 in the auditorium at the
   Board of Education.
3. Board of Education Public Notification of meetings changes distributed.
4. C&I grade level specific Assessment List for 2011-2012 school year distributed for
   information regarding taking sick days during testing days.
5. Senate Bill 5 in Ohio was repealed by voters.
6. Shout out to Orange County Legislator C. Eachus for his part in fighting for Valley View Nursing Home.
7. November 22, 2011 at the Tarrytown Regional Office there will be a meeting for anyone who needs certification information.
8. Dr. Brower wants to contribute to Teacher Appreciation Day with hints on how to relieve stress and improve your nutritional status.
9. New APPR based on Danielson’s Framework for Teaching 2011 Revised Edition was distributed. There are still aspects that are subject to negotiations. The District and the NTA are in the process of negotiating training for all to use the Rubrics.

**VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT:**
1. Congratulations to C. Cotton and K. Stafford from the Liberal Arts and Science House at NFA Main Campus and their students who received the Hope Award at the October 27, 2011 Safe Home Dinner.
2. School Related Professionals Day was celebrated at the NTA on November 15, 2011.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**
Report is attached.

**SECRETARY’S REPORT:**

*Ed Issues*: G. Pinheiro had no new report, but encouraged members to support other local unions in their endeavors.

*Nominations and Elections*: S. Warren reported on the time line for officer elections in February 2012.

*Grievance*: L. Mangan reported that there are two Stage II grievances scheduled for December 1, 2011.

*Labor Management*: President Van Duser reported the next meeting will be November 21, 2011 to include discussion on the new APPR and other personnel issues.

*Special Events*: President Van Duser reported that the next Delegate Assembly will be our Holiday Event and Tenure Reception at the Powleton Club December 21, 2011 at 4:30 pm.

*VOTE/COPE*: President Van Duser reported that payroll deduction forms are still available and contributions have increased.

*Chapter Reports:*

*Teaching Assistant Chapter*: S. Manning reported on the Hope Award and the Safe Home Dinner. Project Santa will begin collecting gifts for mothers and children. Buildings can adopt families. Thanks for the support on the gift baskets. More information on Safe Homes can be viewed on the website. Thanks for the recognition on SRP Day. The next Defensive Driving course will be December 3, 2011.

*Substitute Chapter*: President Van Duser introduced the new Chair, K. McCrossen.
OLD BUSINESS

MOTION #2 from October 19, 2011:
Whereas, the Newburgh Teachers Association has been attending conventions at the state and national level for years,
Whereas, it is important to play a role in shaping priorities and the direction of our affiliates,
Whereas, sending delegates is an expensive but worthwhile endeavor, be it therefore
Resolved, that the NTA’s Delegate Assembly adopt a policy for Convention Delegates.
(Submitted by NTA Board of Directors)

Moved: J. Conn
Second: M. Scully
Passes unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #1
Whereas, Marlayna Wiley Pritchard has advanced professionalism in the Newburgh Enlarged City School District, and
Whereas, Marlayna has been an active unionist and leader in her buildings, and shared a willingness to take on other roles that have provided countless union benefits, be it therefore

Resolved, that the NTA Board of Directors name Marlayna Wiley Pritchard the 2011 William G. Reilly Profile in Unionism Award recipient.
(Submitted by the NTA Board of Directors)

Moved: M. Scully
Second: M. Corbett
Passes unanimously

MOTION #2
Resolved, that the NTA Delegate Assembly accept the timeline and conditions of election of NTA Officer Election for the 2011-2012 school year as presented the NTA Nominations and Elections Committee.
(Submitted by NTA Board of Directors)

Moved: S. Warren
Second: M. Bowe
Passes unanimously

MOTION #3
Whereas, NYSUT, through its Disaster Relief Fund, is committed to helping members and colleagues in times of need,
Whereas, the NTA has a long history of providing a helping hand to those who need help,
Whereas, in the wake of every disaster, natural or otherwise, we have been generous in stepping up to help where needed, be it therefore
Resolved, that the Newburgh Teachers Association proclaim November as our month to commit.

t raising money for our brothers and sisters who have struggled through the devastations of

flooding, nationwide and here in our own backyard, be it therefore

Resolved, that each building sponsor an event to raise money for NYSUT Disaster Relief.

(Submitted by NTA Board of Directors)

Moved: N. Lorenzo
Second: J. Komondorea

Passes unanimously

GOOD AND WELFARE
A. Plichta raised the question about Central Administration raises and the NTA’s expression of

outrage concerning these raises.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 5:02 pm

Moved: B. Browne
Second: M. Scully

Passes unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne M. Daley
NTA Secretary