

CONSTITUTION OF THE RETIRED TEACHERS' CHAPTER OF THE NEWBURGH TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

NAME

The name of this unit shall be the Retired Teachers' Chapter of the Newburgh Teachers' Association as provided for in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Newburgh Teachers' Association.

ARTICLE I--PURPOSE

As special members of the NTA, it is our mission to work co-operatively with all other NTA members to promote the interests of retirees, in-service educators and students. We accomplish this through our membership in the NTA, NYSUT, AFT, NEA and the AFL-CIO.

ARTICLE II-MEMBERSHIP

- A. Membership shall be open to all retired unit members in conformity with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Newburgh Teachers' Association. (The phrase "retired unit members" includes "vested members." Vested members are teachers who left the District, retired and are vested in the NYSTRS.)
- B. Chapter members are special members of the NTA as provided for in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Newburgh Teachers' Association.
- C. Social Membership. Social, non-voting membership in the RTC shall be open to retired members of the Teaching Assistants' Chapter and the Per Diem Substitutes' Chapter of the NTA.

ARTICLE III—STRUCTURE

- A. The chapter business shall be transacted under the supervision of an Executive Committee consisting of a Chairperson, who shall serve in a dual role as a delegate to the Delegate Assembly; a Recording Secretary, who shall serve in a dual role as a delegate to the Delegate Assembly; a Corresponding Secretary and two members elected at large.

- B. Meetings shall be held at least twice a year, convened by the Chairperson. Special meetings may be called either by the Chairperson or by a petition of ten members. Twenty (20) members of the RTC shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business.

ARTICLE IV—ELECTIONS

- A. Members of the Executive Committee designated in Article III, Section A shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast. Voting shall take place by mail.
- B. Members of the Executive Committee designated in Article III Section A shall be elected for a three year term to be effective the year elected.

ARTICLE V—COMMITTEES

- A. The Chairperson shall appoint committees as deemed necessary by the Executive Committee.
- B. The Executive Committee may direct the chairperson to appoint committees that are deemed necessary.

ARTICLE VI—DUES

- A. Annual dues are payable to the Newburgh Teachers' Association.
- B. Annual dues are determined by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII—AMENDMENTS

The Constitution may be amended at any meeting by a two-thirds vote, a quorum being present.

ARTICLE VIII—RULES OF ORDER

Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall be the authority on all questions of procedure.

ARTICLE IX—ADOPTION

This Constitution was adopted by a two-thirds affirmative vote of those eligible for membership and present at the meeting on December 9, 1982 and updated on December 3, 2009 and amended effective July 1, 2010. It was later amended on September 19, 2016 to include the provision re. a quorum.