



Executive Board Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2017 ~ Middle School

Present:

Michael Burns
Maura Coghlan
Keri Degnan
Dianne Dunn
Lisa Gagliano

Margaret Glancy
Michelle Golub
Dan Hayden
Linda Kanarek
Edward Kent
Charlotte Loake

Laura Maciag
Maureen Tobin
Jennifer Wemssen

Absent:

John Berry
Meghan O'Connell
James Pollin
Curtis Tripoli
Maureen Sabella
Sue Bennett

- ❖ Laura made a motion to accept March and April minutes as amended. All in favor.
- ❖ Jen Wemssen: Treasurer report
 - Suggested Computer purchase for VP's going into negotiations.
 - Patriot Award donation entitles UTS to Full page ad and 4 tickets.
 - Maura, Margaret, Ed and possibly Jen to attend Patriots Dinner
 - Budget Proposal: (Committee Proposal) Keeping dues the same, increase stipends by contract raise of .25%. PR stays the same. VP's stipend increased by .25% plus \$1000. Raise Office expenses \$500 for 2017-2018 to cover technology issues.
- ❖ Laura made a motion to accept donation of \$2000 for the Patriot Awards Dinner. All in favor.
- ❖ Maureen Tobin made a motion to purchase a computer for each of the VP's (Dan and Maura), up to \$1000 per computer. All in favor.
- ❖ Laura makes a motion to accept the budget proposal for 2017-18. Discussion of VP raise is concern of some executive board members. Motion is tabled until we get information from other locals on their salaries of officers.
- ❖ Ed makes a motion to table motion on budget proposal. All in favor.
- ❖ UTS Scholarships: High School will have theirs June 13th. Middle school done and handed in. Harbor finished, need to tally votes. Manor has 3 way tie for boys. Waiting for results.
- ❖ ARTS Luncheon: Will speak at luncheon on Constitutional Convention. Ed would like to get ARTS to be a chapter of UTS to involve them with Vote Cope and other PAC concerns.
- ❖ BOE: May 5th: Seeking an outside company for to do background checks and drug tests for new hires. We are interested in knowing when they will be told during the interview process.
- ❖ Maura thanked Keri for hosting
- ❖ Building concerns: HS: Curriculum writing-administration is changing courses without discussion with UTS. Contract states discussion will be with members and administration. Manor: Special Ed teachers being pulled to cover absent teachers. Out of compliance with Spec. Ed. (Teachers need to keep track of the dates and coverages) Minutes of Spec Ed meeting- Teachers are being asked to take minutes and present on student. (IEP comments from meeting in comment box and recommendations and whether or not parent was in agreement, not specific or detailed unless there is a disagreement within meeting group. Not minutes, just comments.
- ❖ Having an extension of contract, with raise adjusted. BOE asked what our suggestions are. May be tied to tax cap.

- ❖ PAC: New BOE member, Vote Cope, Christine Pellegrino needs to be elected in AD 89 (State Assembly). Looking to increase Vote Cope to help block Constitutional convention. Ed to attend faculty meetings and speak with members about Vote Cope.
- ❖ Members of UTS attended Picketing and Rally in Lawrence to show support for teachers without contract.
- ❖ Retirement Party: June 13th in Amityville.
- ❖ Laura makes motion to adjourn: All in favor.