

Minutes of the West Irondequoit Teachers' Association  
Governing Council  
January 15, 2019

- I. The meeting was called to order at 3:35 by President Scott Steinberg.
- II. Wendy Boomer-Secretary
  - The minutes from the December 11, 2018 Governing Council meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Tammy Jaynes and seconded by Tami Graham. The minutes were approved by all.
- III. Todd Fleming-Treasurer
  - Todd presented the December 2018 Treasurer's report. A motion to accept the report was made by Howard Dutton and seconded by Mark Pringle. The motion was approved by all.
  - A motion to spend up to \$300.00 on T-shirts for the Adam Milne Game was made by Todd Fleming and seconded by Julie Wolf. The motion was approved by all.
- IV. Steve Schockow-Executive Vice President
  - Steve presented the Board of Education Capsule Summary from the December 20, 2018 Board of Education Meeting. The next Board of Education Meeting will be January 17, 2019 at Dake.
- V. Kate Dobosz-Second Vice President
  - Kate presented the finalized versions of the New Member Materials. Kate reminded members that the New Member Event will take place during the February 12, 2019 Governing Council Meeting. Building Reps should hand deliver invitations to new members to encourage them to attend. Please R.S.V.P to Kate if you plan to attend the Event.
- VI. Jeff Guercio-Grievance Chair
  - Scott announced that there are no grievances at this time.
- VII. Julie Wolf-VOTE/COPE Chair
  - Julie announced that there is no new VOTE/COPE information at this time.
- VIII. Tammy Jaynes-Legislative/Political Action Chair
  - Tammy announced that there will be an MCFT Legislative Forum on February 9, 2019 at the RIT Inn and Conference Center. Please email Scott if you would like to attend. Tammy reminded members that the L.A. Teachers are currently on strike, and that the United Auto Workers may be striking this summer or fall. Tammy announced that there are other Supreme Court cases pending that may impact how Unions operate.
- IX. Jane Beamish-NYSTRS Chair
  - Jane reported that the "Younger" NYSTRS Members Retirement Workshop will be held on March 13, 2019 in the Dake All Purpose Room.
- X. Maureen Bacchetta-PTSA Chair
  - Maureen announced that there is no new PTSA information at this time.
- XI. Scott Steinberg-President's Report
  - Scott gave a contract implementation update. Members should expect to see the next round of retro payment in the upcoming paycheck. Members should be checking their paychecks to make sure retro pay is accurate. Scott announced that the special Open Enrollment Meeting for the High Deductible Health Plan will be upcoming. Scott reported that WITA is currently working with the district to form a TA Mentoring Subcommittee. The updated (printed) version of the contract is in the works.
  - Scott gave an Action Committee Meeting Update. Scott asked that members still attend Board of Education Meetings in support of IESA and WIMEO. The next Board Meetings are January 17, February 14, and March 21, 2019. If you attend, please wear your WITA T-shirt. Buttons supporting IESA and WIMEO will be distributed to members this week. Scott asked that Building Reps please hand deliver them to members to encourage them to wear them. Car signs are available now, email Scott if you would like one. Information on the revised social media graphic will be in the February Action Committee Newsletter. The revised Resolution concerning Board of Education Candidates will be presented at the January 17, 2019 Board of Education Meeting. Scott announced that the next Action Committee Meeting will be held on January 16, 2109 at 3:30, in the IHS Faculty Cafeteria.

- Emily Swanson announced that information about the Cupid's Run on February 10, 2019 will be distributed to members in the next week. Please follow the directions on the flier if you would like to volunteer.
- Wendy Boomer announced that there is no new Excellence in Education Banquet information at this time.
- Scott announced that his winter lunch visits to all buildings will start next week. A schedule was distributed.
- Scott announced that the ED 5/6 Meeting is March 6, 2019. Randi Weingarten will be the Keynote Speaker. More information on this Meeting will be coming soon.
- Scott announced that the NYSUT Regional Leadership Conference is August 20-21, 2019 at the Statler Hotel in Ithaca. More information on registration will be coming soon.
- Scott announced that NYSUT is offering a Workshop on Employee Safety and Dealing with Students with Difficult Behaviors on February 4, 2019. Please use the link on the email Scott sent if you are interested in attending.
- Scott asked that members please email him or Kim Sklenar any Wedding or Birth announcements to be included in the next issue of The Scoop.
- Scott met with Mr. Crane (for the last time) on December 17, 2018. Scott met with Dr. Hunter on January 14, 2019. Their next meeting will be on February 25, 2019.

XII. Building Issues: A few Building Issues were discussed today.

XIII. Dates and Announcements to Remember

- Joint Action Committee Meeting on January 16, 2019 at IHS Faculty Cafeteria at 3:30
- Staff Recognition at Board of Education Meeting on January 17, 2019 at Dake at 7:00
- WITA Logo Shirt Day for Scholarships on February 1, 2019
- WITA Executive Committee Meeting on February 5, 2019 at WITA Office at 3:30
- MCFT Legislative Forum on February 9, 2019 at RIT Inn and Conference Center-registration required
- WITA Governing Council Meeting and New Member Event on February 12, 2019 at IHS Campus Center at 3:30

XIV. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Beth Ford and seconded by Maureen Bacchetta. The motion was approved by all. The meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Boomer  
WITA Secretary