

Minutes of the West Irondequoit Teachers' Association  
Governing Council  
May 12, 2020

- I. The meeting (via Zoom) was called to order at 3:15 by President Scott Steinberg.
- II. Wendy Boomer-Secretary
  - The minutes from the April 14, 2020 Governing Council meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Beth Ford and seconded by Jason Rugg. The minutes were approved by all.
- III. Todd Fleming-Treasurer
  - Todd presented the treasurer's report, including the Trial Balance, for April 2020. A motion to accept the report as presented was made by Mary Theresa Boerman and seconded by Kim Sherry. The motion was approved by all.
  - Todd presented the WITA Budget Proposal for 2020-2021. A motion to accept the budget as presented was made by Leana Palumbo and seconded by Maureen Bacchetta. The motion was approved by all.
  - Todd presented the Proposed WITA Dues for 2020-2021. A motion to accept the proposed dues schedule as presented was made by Noreen Crouse and seconded by Wendy Passero. The motion was approved by all.
- IV. Steve Schockow-Executive Vice President
  - Steve presented the Board of Education Capsule Summary from April 16, 2020.
  - The next Board of Education Meeting will be online, on May 21, 2020.
- V. Kate Dobosz-Second Vice President
  - Kate reported that as of right now, we are going ahead with plans for our New Member Event in August.
- VI. Jeff Guercio-Grievance Chair
  - Scott reported that there are no current grievances.
- VII. Julie Wolf-VOTE/COPE Chair
  - Julie announced that there is no VOTE/COPE update at this time.
- VIII. Tammy Jaynes-Legislative/Political Action Chair
  - Tammy announced that we will be holding Phone Banks in support of the Budget vote and to share Board of Education endorsements.
- IX. Jane Beamish-NYSTRS Chair
  - Scott informed members that NYSTRS Disability Protection information was recently sent via school email.
- X. Maureen Bacchetta-PTSA Chair
  - Maureen announced that there is no new information at this time. Scott announced that he will attend the PTSA meeting at the end of May to share Board of Education endorsement information.
- XI. Scott Steinberg-President's Report
  - Wendy Boomer made a motion to gift Steve Schockow \$1000.00 in recognition of his extraordinary service while Scott was on medical leave. The motion was seconded by Leana Palumbo and approved by all.
  - Scott reported that the Budget Vote and Board of Education Elections will be via mail. Ballots need to be received by the district by June 9, 2020. Scott announced that the Joint Action Endorsement Committee (consisting of members from WITA, IESA, and WIMEO), will hold Board of Education candidate interviews on May 13, 2020. Information on endorsements to follow. Scott informed members that we will show our support of the Budget Vote and endorsed Board candidates through postcards, lawn signs, social media, and phone banks. More information on ways members can help will be coming soon.
  - Scott announced that Coaching and Co-curricular stipend negotiations are ongoing.
  - Scott announced that information about the end of the year calendar will be coming soon.
  - Scott reported that Negotiations are on hold pending budget information.
  - Scott announced that the NYSUT RA will be held online on May 14, 2020. NYSUT Officer elections will take place by mail.
  - Scott reported that the WITA meetings calendar will be emailed to members when finalized.
  - Scott asked that members continue to send wedding and birth announcements to him ([WITAPresident@gmail.com](mailto:WITAPresident@gmail.com)), to be included in the Fall issue of the Scoop.
  - Scott met with Dr. Johnson on April 27, 2020. The new Instructional Guidelines were discussed, as well as the importance of communication between the Superintendent and WITA. They meet next on May 18, 2020.
- XII. Building Issues: Several Home Learning issues were discussed today.
- XIII. Dates and Announcements to Remember
  - Joint Action Committee Board of Education Endorsement Interviews (via Zoom) on May 13, 2020 at 5:00
  - NYSUT Virtual RA on May 14, 2020 at 5:00
  - Budget/BOE Phone Banking is May 18-June 5, 2020

- WITA Executive Committee Meeting, via Zoom, on June 2, 2020
- Budget and BOE Ballots must be received by the District by June 9, 2020

XIV. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Howard Dutton and seconded by Mark Pringle. The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Boomer  
WITA Secretary