

Minutes of the West Irondequoit Teachers' Association
Governing Council
December 12, 2017

- I. The meeting was called to order at 3:34 by President Scott Steinberg.
- II. Wendy Boomer-Secretary
 - The minutes from the November 14, 2017 Governing Council meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Leana Palumbo and seconded by Emily Swanson. The minutes were approved by all.
- III. Todd Fleming-Treasurer
 - Todd presented the treasurer's report for November 2017. A motion to accept the report was made by Tammy Jaynes and seconded by Tami Graham. The motion was approved by all.
- IV. Steve Schockow-Executive Vice President
 - Steve presented the Board of Education Capsule Summary for November 16, 2017.
 - The next Board of Education Meeting will be December 21, 2017 at District Office.
 - Scott clarified that the 2017-2018 calendar adjustment to ensure 180 days of instruction impacts only grades 7-12.
- V. Kate Dobosz-Second Vice President
 - Scott announced that Building VPs should contact Kate Dobosz if there are any new hires in your building. Scott informed members that the WITA office would be updating member records (address, email, etc.) in the near future.
- 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 is no new Legislative/Political Action information at this time.
- IX. Maureen Bacchetta-PTSA Chair
 - Maureen announced that there is no new information at this time.
- X. Jane Beamish-NYSTRS Chair
 - Jane reminded members to make sure the district is accurately reporting your earnings to NYSTYRS by checking your NYSTRS Benefit Profile carefully.
- XI. Scott Steinberg-President's Report
 - Scott thanked all building reps who have followed up with their members by having a 1:1 conversation thanking them for their work on the Constitutional Convention vote, and to ask if they are involved in any community/volunteer activities. WITA is collecting this information in order to highlight additional community activities members are involved in. Scott asked all Building Reps who have not already done so to get this information to him.
 - Scott thanked those involved with SRP day and announced that we will be looking at ways to streamline the SRP day process for next year.
 - Scott clarified computer use and expectations for TAs with the following statement he sent to Tim Terranova, "We are in agreement that TAs who do not have time in their paid day to check email and access to a computer to do so are not responsible for checking or replying to district email". Scott further clarified that TAs should not use their personal phones for district purposes.
 - Scott announced there was an error by payroll in TA longevity pay. This error should be rectified in the next paycheck.
 - Scott announced that the Executive Committee has nominated Tammy Jaynes for the NYSUT Leadership Institute this summer. Maureen Bacchetta made a motion to accept this nomination with a second from Ellen Tuohey. The motion was approved by all.
 - Scott announced that the document on Fair Representation that was given to all Governing Council members would be adapted for new members as well.

- Scott explained that after discussion with Jim Czadzeck, he recommends that for now, we continue to use hard drives and flash drives to store WITA material, rather than cloud-based storage.
- Scott announced that the Negotiations team met on November 28, 2017. The team will meet next on December 14, 2017.
- Scott announced that lunch visits would resume in January 2018.
- Scott met with Mr. Crane on November 27, 2017. Their next meeting will be on December 18, 2017.
- Scott reminded members that the Excellence in Education Banquet would be on May 15, 2018. Mary Beth Lenzi reported that the Banquet would be held at Glendoveers.
- Scott asked members to send wedding and birth announcements for the January issue of the Scoop to himself or Kim Sklenar.

XII. Building Issues: No building issues were discussed today.

XIII. Dates and Announcements to Remember

- WITA Negotiations Team Meeting at WITA Office is December 14, 2017 at 3:30
- WITA Executive Committee meeting at WITA Office is January 2, 2018 at 3:30
- WITA Negotiations Team Meeting at WITA Office is January 4, 2018 at 3:30
- WITA Logo Shirt Day for Scholarships is January 5, 2018
- WITA Governing Council meeting at IHS Faculty Cafeteria is January 9, 2017 at 3:30
- WITA Negotiations Team Meeting at WITA Office is January 18, 2018 at 3:30
- NYSUT Regional Winter Conference at the Hyatt is January 27, 2018

XIV. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mary Theresa Boerman and seconded by Tami Graham. The meeting adjourned at 4:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Boomer
WITA Secretary