Minutes of the West Irondequoit Teachers’ Association
Governing Council
May 8, 2018

I. The meeting was called to order at 3:36 President Scott Steinberg.

II. Wendy Boomer-Secretary
   • The minutes from the April 17, 2018 Governing Council meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Tammy Jaynes and seconded by Wendy Passero. The minutes were approved by all.

III. Todd Fleming-Treasurer
   • Todd presented the treasurer’s report for April 2018. A motion to accept the report was made by Emily Copp and seconded by Mark Pringle. The motion was approved by all.
   • Todd presented the WITA Trial Balance through April 30, 2018.
   • Todd presented the proposed 2018-2019 WITA Budget. A motion to accept the budget was made by Emily Swanson and seconded by Ellen Tuohy. The motion was approved by all.
   • Todd presented the proposed 2018-2019 WITA Dues. A motion to accept the dues proposal was made by Tammy Jaynes and seconded by Kate Dobosz. The motion was approved by all.

IV. Steve Schockow-Executive Vice President
   • Steve presented the Board of Education Capsule Summary for April 19, 2018.
   • The next Board of Education Meeting will be May 10, 2018 at Dake.

V. Kate Dobosz-Second Vice President
   • Kate reported that I-Square has been booked for our New Member Breakfast Event on August 30, 2018.

VI. Jeff Guercio-Grievance Chair
   • Scott announced that there are no grievances at this time.

VII. Julie Wolf-VOTE/COPE Chair
   • Julie asked that all Building Reps hand deliver VOTE/COPE envelopes to members. If contributing for the first time, or changing your contribution, please return envelopes to the WITA Office by June 4, 2018. No cash, checks or payroll deduction only. Scott thanked Julie for her work on the VOTE/COPE Drive.

VIII. Tammy Jaynes-Legislative/Political Action Chair
   • Tammy reminded members to sign up for the NYSUT Member Action Center. This is an easy way to communicate quickly with legislators.

IX. Maureen Bacchetta-PTSA Chair
   • There is no PTSA update at this time.

X. Jane Beamish-NYSTRS Chair
   • Jane asked that members with Retirement questions should feel free to see her.

XI. Scott Steinberg-President’s Report
   • Scott reminded members that the Excellence in Education Banquet is May 15, 2018 at Glendoveers. Mary Beth Lenzi announced that it is not too late to send in your reservation. If you are interested in donating an item for the Raffle, please contact Kim Gardner.
   • Scott announced that notes from the May 2, 2018 Board of Education Interviews were sent via home email. Thank you to Todd Fleming, Emily Swanson, Mark Pringle, and Steve Schockow for taking part in these interviews.
   • Scott distributed the 2018-2019 WITA Calendar of Events. Scott noted that we would be discontinuing Denim Day in order to focus on increasing participation in the Making Strides Event scheduled for October 14, 2018.
   • Scott announced that we are at approximately 97% of our membership signing Recommitment Cards. With the Janus Case, it is important moving forward, to enroll new hires as quickly as possible.
   • Scott discussed including a reminder for new part-time hires about signing up for the appropriate Retirement System, as part of the New Member Checklist.
   • Scott announced that NYSUT would hold a post-Janus Case debrief session with Union Leaders. Scott will disseminate any necessary information as it becomes available.
• Scott reminded Members that any Paraprofessionals looking to be reimbursed for fingerprinting expenses must save receipts and have worked for the district for one year.

• Scott announced that we currently have an MOA with the district concerning Personal Day Buyout. An email will be coming from the district with instructions on how to be reimbursed for any remaining personal days (up to two, as per the contract).

• Scott announced that the next Negotiations meeting would be on May 10, 2018.

• Scott reminded the Governing Council that the June Meeting is cancelled.

• Scott announced that he met with Mr. Crane on April 30, 2018. Scott shared concerns about the TIP process. They will meet next on May 21, 2018.

• Scott asked members to send wedding and birth announcements for the last 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 IHS Principal’s Conference Room is May 10, 2018 at 3:30

• WITA Excellence in Education Banquet at Glendoveers is May 15, 2018

• WITA Negotiations Meeting at District Office is May 17, 2018 at 3:30

• Eagles’ Charitable Challenge is May 24, 2018 at 4:00

• WITA Negotiations Team Meeting at IHS Principal’s Conference Room is May 29, 2018 at 3:30

• WITA Negotiations Meeting at District Office is May 31, 2018 at 3:30

• WITA Logo Shirt Day is June 1, 2018

• WITA Negotiations Team Meeting at HIS Principal’s Conference Room is June 5, 2018 at 3:30

• WITA Executive Committee Meeting at 1517 Culver Road is June 6, 2018 at 3:30

• WITA Negotiations Meeting at District Office is June 12, 2018 at 3:30

XIV. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ellen Tuohey and seconded by Rebecca Berbert. The meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Boomer
WITA Secretary