

**OCVTEA**  
**2015–2016 Executive Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, March 16, 2016**  
**Toms River Center**

**Call to order:** The meeting of the OCVTEA Executive Council was called to order by Vice-President Tiffany Seeley at 3:00 pm.

**Attending:**

Association Representatives: Sharon Giannantonio, Helene Crist, Gerald Horn, Brian Jones, Eileen Verde, John Sweeney, and Sharon Clougher.

Officers present were Vice-President Tiffany Seeley and Treasurer Gerald Luchs, Acting- Secretary Tierney Meeker

Quorum was met to conduct business

**Minutes:** The Minutes from the January 20, 2016 Executive Meeting were read.

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Brian Jones.

Second: Eileen Verde

Discussion: None

Passed unanimously

**Treasurer Report** –Report given by Gerald Luchs. Balance of \$10,899, scholarship \$3,247

**Standing Committees:** N/A

**Membership Committee** – Gerald Luchs stated he is working on membership issues (enrollment).

**Sunshine Report** – N/A.

**Public Relations** –N/A

Social Graces –Nothing to report

Internal Affairs – Nothing to report

Legislative – Eileen Verde gave a report on an OCCEA workshop she attended, where there was a push to acknowledge retired members working tirelessly to keep our pension. Anyone considering retiring should join. Chris Christie stand still, nothing to report on that. Next meeting of OCCEA will be in April and Eileen will try to attend. Eileen encouraged the members present to perhaps join that organization as well.

Election –N/A

Negotiations – The negotiations team met February 21 and March 8. Both sides have submitted preliminary proposals and Eileen reports that they left on good terms. March 21, 2016 is the next meeting.

Constitutional – Nothing to report

Grievance – There is currently one issue in abeyance.

### Old Business

- Tierney Meeker acting secretary until elections
- Discussed the upcoming general meeting and how to organize the upcoming officer elections. Eileen suggested that duties of the officers be explained prior to taking nominations. Since we are having at least one more general meeting (typical in a negotiations year), where Andy will talk about ratification/non ratification, we will do an official election whenever that is.

### New Business

- We need to make sure every new hire in the district gets a dues sheet
- New hires should receive the sheet on opening day at MATES
  - Eileen says that all new hires get a “Welcome” packet (some confusion on whether that actually happens)
  - NJEA roster vs. our Association roster needs to align – right now there are some discrepancies.
  - Tiffany encouraged all to be diligent in setting up/signing up new members

Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 3:34