

**OCVTEA**  
**2016-2017 Executive Council Meeting Minutes**  
**April 19, 2017**  
**Toms River Center**

**Call to order:** The meeting of the OCVTEA Executive Council was called to order by Howard at 3:11 pm, second by Eileen

**Attending:**

Association Representatives: Eileen Verde, Brian Jones, Tierney Meeker, Sharon Giannantonio, John Sweeney, Helene Christ, Andy Dennison

Officers present were: President Howard Polenberg, Secretary Tierney Meeker, and Treasurer Eileen Verde

Quorum was met to conduct business

**Minutes:** The Minutes from the March 15, 2017 Executive Meeting were read.

A motion to accept the minutes was made by: Eileen Verde

Second: Brian Jones

Discussion: None

Passed unanimously

**Treasurer Report** –The philanthropic fund has a balance of \$4324.54, and the checking account has a balance of \$7542.70. Eileen Verde stated that she is still waiting on three signatures.

**Standing Committees**

**Membership Committee** –Nothing to report, Tiffany Seeley will follow up on exact # of professional staff.

**Sunshine Report** – Report given

**Public Relations** –N/A

**Social Graces** – N/A

**Internal Affairs** – N/A

**Legislative** – Brian Jones reports that there is a legislative dinner on May 11, 2017 @ Ramada Inn in TR

**Election** – N/A

**Negotiations-** Andy Dennison spoke to Frank Frazee about meeting about sidebar. Potentially, a meeting will take place in May.

**Constitutional** – N/A

**Grievance** –Currently we have one issue with NJEA, it is out of our hands and in the hands of the lawyers right now. No movement as of yet.

**Old Business:** N/A

**New Business:**

There will be a summer leadership workshop in August 5-7, 8-9, and 9-12 @ Hilton in East Brunswick. Scholarship applications were offered. Our President Howard ordered material from the NJEA for members and building reps. Buttons, window clings, pamphlets, quick reference guides. Building reps should remind members to be aware of their rights and their membership. Howard also spoke about becoming a political activist, getting involved, call our legislatures, and follow the news. Our due money does not go to pay political parties in any way, shape, or form. You may be asked for additional money, but only that additional money, if you donate it, will be used for political action. There was talk about the gubernatorial elections; the vetting

process of whom NJEA supports consists of a committee of over 100 people who decide who we as NJEA should throw our support behind.

Building Reps reminded to please try to get members to volunteer time/attend/support Car Show May 20<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 am.

A possible issue was brought up about some centers' graduation dates being pushed to the teachers' last day; question arose regarding Skills USA/ Career Discovery Day/Mall Show compensation day. Article VI of the constitution discusses this day. Andy Dennison will talk to Bill Hoey.

**Adjournment:** The motion to adjourn- Sharon Giannantonio

Second: Andy Dennison

Meeting adjourned at 3:42