

OCVTEA
2013 – 2014 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Toms River Center
Wednesday, September 18, 2013

Call to order: The meeting of the OCVTEA Executive Council was called to order by President Howard Polenberg at 3:07.

Attending: Building / Unit Representatives Andy Dennison, Mike McNamara, Sharon Clougher, Mark Lamb, Gerald Horn and Tom Rolston were present. Officers present were President Howard Polenberg, Vice-President, Tiffany Seeley and Secretary, Mary Kenny.

Quorum was met to conduct business.

Minutes: The minutes from the June 12th Executive Meeting were read.

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Tiffany Seeley.

Second: Sharon Clougher

Discussion: No discussion

Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: No treasurer's report was given as Gerald Luchs was not present.

Standing Committees:

Membership Committee: Nothing to report.

Sunshine Report: See Sunshine Activity Report.

Public Relations: Nothing to report.

Social Graces Report: The next OCVTEA Dinner Meeting will be on October 23rd at the Tuscan House. Tiffany Seeley is in contact with NJEA for a representative. They would like clarification on a topic: Buyers Benefit Package, upcoming election (who to vote for that supports education), and the upcoming state law affecting our health care contribution.

Internal Affairs: Eileen Verde & Sharon Clougher are our internal affairs committee. Nothing to Report.

Legislative Committee: Nothing to Report.

Elections Committee Chair: Nothing to Report.

Negotiations

Committee: Tom Rolston dropped off the finalized version of the contract to Frank Frazee this morning. The BOE will vote on it on September 24th to ratify.

Constitutional Committee: Nothing new to report.

Grievance Committee: Howard was approached by Related Academic Teachers: Lori Young requiring additional meetings-3 is the maximum amount of meetings in the new contract.

Old Business: See Negotiations Committee Section.

New Business:

- First dinner meeting in October – see Social Graces Section.
- Building/custodial rep replacements needed – Howard Polenberg is working on this.
- 1.5% update, lawyer feels we should take to arbitration - Oct. 17th, we are going back to PERC. Howard would like to have a meeting with NJEA beforehand. Waiting on our new NJEA rep to respond to our questions regarding moving to arbitration. We need to know what the cost of going into arbitration will be.
- Bobby Voskanyan was given some time to address the executive committee - see attached notes. Howard & Tiffany will bring up these issues at their next liaison meeting at the Board Office.
- Building Liaison minutes - Nothing reported yet. All building liaisons are required to send their meeting minutes to Howard Polenberg and Tiffany Seeley
- Revised meeting schedule around faculty meetings - postponed pending the contract ratification.
- Trade advisory committee makeup (5 trade members, a parent and a student) – make sure all centers are getting the same instruction as to what is required for their advisory committee.
- Getting involved in this coming election for education friendly candidates - Howard attended the President's Huddle and presented handouts for Bldg. Reps to bring back to buildings. He encouraged Reps to have a meeting with the members regarding the upcoming election, including NJEA Friends and Family Initiative and Jersey First. Reps should also advertise the upcoming Dinner Meeting at this meeting as well.
- Professional Development hours - Howard has been in contact with NJEA regarding what is acceptable.
 - o PD hours need to be clarified and consistent across the district.
 - o Tiffany will email Administration regarding a specific list of what hours will be accepted.
- Change in Positions:
 - o Andy Dennison is moving to Parliamentarian Position.
 - Motion to Accept: Tiffany Seeley
 - Second: Mark Lamb
 - o Tom Rolston is now the Toms River Bldg. Rep.
 - o NLC will vote on a building rep by Monday, Sept. 23rd.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Mary Kenny.

Second: Andy Dennison

Meeting was adjourned at 4:33 pm.