

**New Haven Teachers Association/CTA/NEA
Representative Council Meeting
Wednesday, September 19th, 2007**

- I. Call to Order** Charmaine Kawaguchi, president
4:05pm
- II. Additions to the Agenda**
A. *Motion: Adopt the Agenda.* Moved: Penny Johnson, Seconded: Jennifer Carini, all in favor.
- III. NHTA Executive Director** Sam DeHaven
Sam is on the fact finding panel for San Mateo elementary teachers. We will have work later as we head into our bargaining time.
- IV. Site Rep. Training** Theo Austin-Smyth & Marta Dragon
Theo: introduction of parliamentary procedures
Marta: role of the association representative
Sam: how to be an advocate
- V. Approval of the Minutes** Jennifer Carini
A. *Motion: Approve the Minutes of June 6th, 2007.* Moved: Jen Nemecek, Seconded: Penny Johnson, all in favor.
- VI. CTA-NCLB Phone Activity**
This activity is on the blue form in packets. We do NOT want pay for teachers based on student test scores. CTA is in opposition to this re-write. Don't use school phones for this, use your personal or cell phone.
- VII. School Reports**
AES: curious about enrollment issues, professional learning activities, interventions, writers workshop issues
EAS: not here
EM: nothing
HVC: music specialist left last year, music specialists are coming over from other sites
Science and media specialists are having to teach music, class sizes are too large, SDC students are being mainstreamed inappropriately, all teachers have to teach teaching subjects at the exact times
KIT: nothing
PIO: nothing
SEA: enrollment issues with home school students.
AMS: nothing
BWMS: nothing
CCMS: back to school nights on religious holidays needs to be addressed, there is a lack of direction about what is supposed to be taught in interventions, this is causing extreme amounts of stress for core teachers. Textbooks – need more history textbooks, need a whole set for each classroom, core teachers feel frustration that they are not getting any support or planning time,
CCHS: not here
LOG: schedule is the worst ever
CAB: have no basic supplies, needs micrograde, need curriculum, needs release time, behavioral support – needs training, modified materials for SDC students, would like to have her own classroom for her own prep

VIII. Officer Reports

- A. President Charmaine Kawaguchi
Elections(Vicky Medina): ballot boxes, take your box and packet, new rosters are there, if someone's name is not there, put name on the bottom, put their ballot in a small envelope with their name on it in the big envelope, then put it in the box. have to be careful about ballots vs. signatures, can only count ballots at the NHTA office
- B. Vice-President Seth Horwitt
introduced himself
- C. Treasurer Jeff Ustick
Motion: accept the treasurer's reports. Moved: Seth Horwitt, Seconded: Paul Hornbrook, all in favor.

IX. Announcements

Income protection, all new members have 120 days to join with no health check, The NEA RA convention was wonderful, heard presidential candidates.

X. Adjournment

6:25pm. Moved: Paul Hornbrook, Seconded: Kimberly DeBono, all in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Carini
NHTA Secretary