

**New Haven Teachers Association/CTA/NEA
Representative Council Minutes
Wednesday, October 2nd, 2013**

- I. Call to Order Paul Stickland, President
3:40 p.m.
- II. Additions to Agenda
- a) Halloween Carnival (V, e)
 - b) Evaluation Task Force (VIII, g)
- III. *Motion:* Adopt Agenda as amended.
- a) Moved: Pace Lash, Seconded: Jeff Ustick
 - b) All in favor
- IV. Approval of the Minutes
- a) Change President from Charmaine Banther to Paul Stickland
 - b) Moved: Jeff Ustick, Seconded: Pace Lash
 - i) All in favor
- V. Executive Director David Hernandez
- a) He is going to arrange an informational meeting regarding the Affordable Care Act.
 - b) Would like to schedule workshops given by CTA for members
 - c) Gave a training on what it means to be a Representative for members.
- VI. Informational/Action Items
- a) Committees
 - i) *Motion:* Approve the Evaluation Task Force Committee.
 - (1) Jeff Ustick explained the history and function and history of the Committee.
 - (2) Moved: Mary McGinnis, Seconded: Kathy Wanzong
 - (3) All in favor

- b) Email Campaign
 - i) The following schools have turned in their email lists and will get a lunch: EAS (got lunch already), AES, CCMS, and KIT.
- c) Notice of Assignments (NOA) have been delivered to the school sites. It was requested that the number of units be on the NOA.
- d) Charter School Application
 - i) An application for the Dashmesh Academy Charter School has been received by the District. The Public Hearing will be on Oct. 15th. The School Board will either approve or disapprove on Nov. 19th.
 - ii) Teachers need to come to the School Board Meeting on Oct. 15th to voice their objections to a charter school in NHUSD.
- e) Halloween Carnival – Oct. 29th at Logan 4-7 p.m.

VII. School Reports

- a) AES – nothing
- b) EAS – no math books, Science Prep class size (Will talk to Principal)
- c) EM – no mathbooks
- d) PIO – grades due by both Gen Ed teachers and Prep teachers on the same day. (Arlando knows and is working on the calendar)
- e) HVC – no math books
- f) KIT – no math books, P.O.'s for RTTT books being returned.
- g) SEA – Office Depot printing an issue – please collect data for the District, so they can get out of their contract with them.
- h) AMS – Back-to-School Night was on Jewish holiday. Wi-Fi in PE not working. Need training for all the new technology we are expected to use. Goose poop on fields.

- i) CCMS – Consult with Mireya went okay. History books are falling apart. Will there be minimum days for Middle Schools?
- j) Logan – Thanks the middle and elementary teachers for laying the foundation of Logan’s rise in API scores. Spanish core books not being ordered.

VIII. Officer Reports

- a) President Paul Stickland
 - i) October newsletter has been sent to all the private email address that we have.
 - ii) Two teachers went to a sub-committee on the District’s Field Trip policy. The District should be sending it to principals soon.
- b) Vice-President/Organizing Team Pace Lash
 - i) Need Site Reps for the Organizing Team
- c) Treasure’s Report Jeff Ustick
 - i) Money from CTA will be coming next month.
 - ii) Notices to transfer money into the PAC account will be going out. We need to do this in preparation for upcoming School Board elections in Nov. 2014.
 - iii) *Motion:* To accept the Treasurer’s Report.
 - (1) Moved: Vince Rosato, Seconded Rodana Breen
 - (2) All in Favor

IX. Committee Reports

- a) Contract/Bargaining Rodana Breen
 - i) Met with the District on RTTT and CCSS. Discussed MOU on the process for consulting on these two items.
 - ii) Starting new bargaining cycle and it is critical for Reps to share information with sites.
- b) State Council
 - i) CalSTRS information is online at www.calstrs.com
- c) Minority-at-Large Director Kimberly DeBono

- i) Minority grants offered to CTA members for various CTA conferences.
- d) Human Rights Chair Peggy Critz
 - i) Absent – she will be attending the CTA GLBT Conference in November and will report back.
- e) Evaluation Task Force Jeff Ustick
 - i) Pilot Evaluation – there are 25 teachers participating at elementary, middle and high school.
 - ii) It is “P-GAP” on steroids.
 - iii) Teachers select some measurement to track progress of students in an area the teacher chooses to focus on.
 - iv) This is not a pass/fail – it is about how you move students in the direction you have chosen.
 - v) Kim DeBono attended the training for the teachers in the Eval Pilot.
 - (1) Attended meeting with reservations, came out of meeting feeling better about the process.

X. Announcements/Adjournment

- a) SEA has a Rep – Heidi McCarty-Forer
- b) Training for SSC in the works
- c) Great job of Robert Eppler for organizing the teachers who attended the Diane Ravitch talk.
- d) AB 484 suspending the STAR Test was signed by the Governor.