

To: Executive Board

From: W.E.A. Secretary

Re: Board Meeting/February 6, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 3:45 by President Lori Lyncosky. The following members were present: (see attached).

REPORTS

MTA

Alex from MTA was not in attendance today.

MEMBERSHIP

Please get in touch with Matt Wroth with any issues regarding membership.

SECRETARY

A motion to accept the January 2017 minutes was made by Kristen Biancuzzo and seconded MaryAnne Sico-DiSanto. A vote was taken and the minutes were accepted.

TREASURER

The budget for January 2017 was presented and Paula Ancelli moved to receive the report. Janet Baush seconded. A vote was taken and the report was received.

PROFESSIONAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Kristen reported that there are currently NO pending grievances. A grievance from the past is currently being investigated.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Scholarship Committee reminder...last year was the final year for the WEA scholarship. The remaining money was donated to the Community Scholarship fund.
2. Negotiations for Unit D are in full swing. Negotiations for Unit B are successfully wrapping up. Unit B voted to accept, awaiting approval from School Committee.
3. Kiwanis Club of Westfield - \$50.00 gift certificate to Westwood donation was made.
4. SEI Info- those who took the free Elms College course many years ago...you need to get that paperwork as it WILL qualify for SEI once you have documentation and send it to the state. Anyone who has or is taking the SEI course, make sure you send a hard copy of the course completion paperwork to HR and the state once you receive it. Make sure to keep a copy for your records too!!
5. Letters of intent for transfer MUST be submitted (in HR's hands) by April 15th. NO EXCEPTIONS! Best way to do this is to HAND deliver the letter to HR. Bring 2 copies, have both date/time stamped, and submit one and keep the other for your records. This helps to avoid potential issues that have occurred in the past.
6. Changes and panic...PLEASE don't...especially when reading the Westfield Evening News. Please keep in mind that when RIF occurs, the first thing that is looked at is area of licensure/certification in hopes of reassignments. Make sure that HR is aware of all of the licenses you hold.

OPEN FLOOR

-Contract question was asked regarding evaluation/observations

A motion to adjourn was made by Kristen Biancuzzo and seconded by Matt Wroth.
The meeting was adjourned at 4:54 pm.

Dues deduction amounts for taxes:

*** Unit A & B- \$741.00**

*** Unit D- \$307.50**

Respectfully submitted,

Aimee Blair

WEA Secretary