

**To: Executive Board**

**from W.E.A. Secretary**

**Re: Board Meeting/September 14, 2015**

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

A motion to accept the June minutes was made by Kristen Biancuzzo and seconded by Aimee Blair. A vote was taken and the minutes were accepted.

Brian Sullivan spoke to the board and asked for support on his candidacy for mayor.

## **REPORTS**

### **MTA**

Alex Lomaglio spoke to the board about petitions being circulated to change the Massachusetts constitution to alter the state income tax on earnings above \$1,000,000. Petitions can only be circulated before or after school. To have this appear on the ballot 69,000 signatures are needed. Send your completed petitions to Aimee Blair at Fort Meadow.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Matt reported that dues for this year will be deducted over 16 pay periods for a total of \$734 for Units A and B. Dues for Unit D are \$303.50 over 15 pay periods.

Longevity is back to bi-weekly; keep checking your stubs; get enrollment forms back to Matt ASAP.

### **TREASURER**

Greg presented the budget through June. Kristen Biancuzzo moved acceptance of the report. Aimee Blair seconded and the report was accepted.

Greg also reported that there is less than \$2,000 in the scholarship account. A decision will be made next month as to continue with fundraising efforts or donate the remaining funds.

### **PROFESSIONAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

There were several grievances filed in June. Two were not supported, two were resolved and ongoing is headed to arbitration.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. New reps were introduced.
2. Please remember to support friends of education in the upcoming election.
3. The mandated online trainings...Bullying etc. are a condition of employment.
4. Everyone must now receive 15 PDP's in SPED to recertify.
5. Maureen Viturale reported on Mass Child. There is school supply money available as well as the winter outerwear and the usual students in need funds.

A motion to adjourn was made by Joanne Miller and seconded by Kristen Biancuzzo. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Furkey

WEA Secretary