

**Minutes for the Meeting of the  
GNTA DELEGATE ASSEMBLY  
April 23, 2015 - South High School Library**

**Call To Order** — President Sheila Scimone called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**Adoption of Agenda** — The agenda for today's meeting was adopted.

**Approval of Minutes** — The minutes of the March 19, 2015 DA meeting were approved.

**Treasurer's Report** — The report is up to date and available as of 4/23/15.

**Executive Board Reports**

- Kim Semder reported that Summer Scholarships are due on 4/25, which is a Saturday; therefore, applications will be accepted until Monday,
- Luci Legotti reported that Elementary BRC Chairs should check their email for an important message that will be discussed at their next Chairs meeting.
- Jennifer Snyder reported that the Activity Index Committee Meeting will occur on 5/14.
- Jim Daszenski reported that GNTA elections will be held on 4/27 in all buildings for GNTA's Officers, Directors, and NYSUT/AFT Delegates & Alternates. BRC Chairs should have already received election materials.
- Maura Carroll reported that the GNTA Retirement Party and Year End Reception is on 5/27 at the Westbury Manor.

**GNTA Proposed Budget** — Maura Carroll distributed copies and explained the proposed budget for 2015-16. The DA will vote on next year's budget at our next meeting.

**GNTA Proposed Calendar** — Sheila Scimone presented the proposed calendar for 2015-16. The DA will vote on next year's calendar at our next meeting.

**Fighting Back** — Sheila Scimone reported on a recent meeting with Sen. Jack Martins and on the current political climate. She stated that we need to join Regent Meryl Tisch in asking our legislators for a moratorium on the implementation of new APPR rules and several other items that she will soon elaborate on in an email to the membership. A subcommittee was formed to create a letter to parents regarding the opt-out movement.

**Other**

- Eileen Kurinkas reported that Teacher Centers were included in the new NYS budget. Our Teacher Center is hoping to create a cohort for National Board Certification and will hold an awareness session before the end of the year. There will be training for new Mentors at our Teacher Center on 5/12 and 5/14 with a refresher training session offered on 6/3.
- Cindy Pavlic of the Internal Organizing Committee reported that a portion of the proceeds from new GNTA hoodies and shirts will go toward student scholarships.

**Adjournment** — The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Daszenski

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