

**OCVTEA**

**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Toms River Center

Wednesday, May 11, 2011

**Call to order:** The meeting of the OCVTEA Executive Council was called to order by President Howard Polenberg at 3:10 pm.

**Attending:** Building / Unit Representatives Colleen Gordon, Tom Pernal, Carol Franzysen, Catherine Ferrara, Sharon Giannantonio, Sharon Clougher and Pete Radford were present. President Howard Polenberg, Vice President Tom Vassallo, Secretary Alicia Carney and Treasurer Mike Clarke were present. Quorum was met to conduct business.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting were read. Errors were noted which will be corrected and Carol Franzysen's attendance will be amended.

Motion to accept: Tom Pernal

Second: Pete Radford

Passed unanimously as amended.

**Treasurer's Report:** Mike Clarke gave the Treasurer's Report. The report was accepted as presented.

**Standing  
Committees:**

**Membership  
Committee:**

Mike is now reporting 196 current members. There is one member reported to be returning from leave next month at which time we will have 196 members.

**Sunshine Report:** Tom Vassallo read the report submitted by Mary Bernyk.

**Social Graces Report:** Sharon Clougher identified all of the retiring members who will be honored at the end of the year dinner on Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The members are as follows:

**Harry Appleheimer**

**Glenn Castaldi**

**Robin DeRosa**

**William George**

**Cynthia Giordano**

**Patricia Wake**

**Charles McConnell**

**Pat Zullo**

It will once again be held at Hemmingway's in Seaside Heights at 6:00 PM.

Sharon had the invitations printed and reps were to place them in the mailboxes.

**Internal Affairs:** Catherine Ferrara stated that there was no new information to report.

**Legislative  
Committee:**

Colleen reported on the NJEA Reporter article where Governor Christie's Educational Reforms are outlined. Members are encouraged to read the article since there are proposed changes to evaluations, tenure, etc.

**Elections Committee  
Chair :**

Still no chair for the Elections Committee.

**Stipend Committee  
Chair:**

Tom Vassallo and Howard Polenberg gave a report on the Negotiations meeting which took place at the board office on Tuesday, May 10. They explained that now that the negotiations phase has begun, there will be no specific details released without approval from both sides on what will be released. The meeting proceeded very well and there has been no new meeting date yet agreed upon.

**Constitutional**

**Committee:**

Tom Vassallo stated that there was nothing new to report in reference to the Constitution.

## **Grievance**

**Committee:** There was nothing new to report. There was a clarification that Tina Held did not accept the Grievance chair position. They felt it was not clear in the minutes from April 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Old Business:** Tom Vassallo reported on the meeting of the OCVTEA and Joan Szlaga with the attorney at the Ocean County Uniserv office to discuss the presentation of the 1.5% grievance at the PERC hearing.

“Lesson Plan” Mapping is on the agenda for next year for Shared Time teachers. The name was changed at the behest of Tom and Howard in the liaison meetings with Bill Hoey, Nancy Weber-Loeffert and Frank Frazee.

Howard reported on the OCVTEA Car Show which was a big success. Marco and everyone else are to be congratulated for a wonderful day. There was great weather as well. Marco is considering trying to make it even bigger next year.

**New Business:** Howard reported on the NJEA workshops including the OCCEA End of the Year Meeting on Wednesday, June 1. There is also the NJEA Financial Literacy Workshop in Trenton on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>.

Howard reported on a discussion he had in which there are requests for Vocational Education exhibits at the NJEA convention.

Election of building reps must take place 10 days prior to the last general meeting. Building reps are encouraged to hold meetings as soon as possible to have elections at the building level.

**General Assembly**

**Meeting Calendar:** General Assembly meeting will be held Thursday, June 9, 2011. The meeting will be at 3:00 PM in Tom Pernal's room at the Toms River Center.

**Executive Council**

**Meeting Calendar:** Next Executive Council meeting is set for Wednesday, June 8, 2011.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn: Pete Radford  
Second: Colleen Gordon

Passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 4:48 pm.