

Monroe 2 - BOCES Teachers' Association

Executive Committee

Agenda for 12/18/2024

Officers: Dave Shalke, Heather Case, Kim Stephenson, Melissa Pound, Chris Gold, Tiffany Feldman

Representatives: Katie Carmina, Laura McNally, Andy Fowler, Mark Straub, Amanda Bianchi

Coordinators: Grace Keegan, Jennifer Montanino, Carrie McKain, Catherine Jackson

NYSUT: Jason Cooney

Absent: Mark, Carrie

1. Review To-Do List
2. Coordinator Updates
 - a. Membership
 - i. 3 new members
 - ii. When people are on leave - how do we track it? Do we send letter even if leave is for a month. Is there a better way to track leaves other than what Anne emails us. Can we have HR send something out? What about people who take non-consecutive leave? Discuss more at next meeting
 - b. Treasurer
 - i. Membership was lower than anticipated
 - ii. Audit committee findings presented by Chris - will be posted to website and facebook
 - iii. November spending report presented as well - one accounting issue has since been fixed from September and October on the November
 - c. Political Action
 - i. School Temperature Law Passed - at 82 degrees in the classroom the schools must implement measures to cool room at 88 degrees or higher must have plans of action for higher heat days
 - ii. New legislation working on book banning
 - iii. Cell phone ban - gone to legislature yet?
 - iv. Can start with Vote Cope donations - how do we want to role it out via email or at a happy hour?
 1. Why is Vote Cope so important - tier 4's retirement improved due to action of lower tiers. Put this on

Karen's agenda in January - how do we link paper copies to payroll deduction.

2. Monthly meetings - disseminate Vote Cope forms/department meetings
- d. Public Relations
 - i. Next happy hour? - discuss at next meeting
- e. Action Committee
 - i. Apparel Sale - Andy looking at new vendor and possible edit to logo. Can we do what SEPTO does with ability for people to order throughout the year?
3. Negotiations Update
 - a. ESY retro pay should be in Friday's paycheck
 - b. Rounding issue - Karen needs to work with payroll for when to correct this
4. Selection Committee
 - a. Canceled - no changes are coming forwards at this time
5. APPR Committee
 - a. Haven't met - can't make changes until the state finishes comment period
 - b. May need to have conversations about supervisors - who is doing observations of itinerant staff who are shared by supervisors? What happens if the admin goes on leave?
6. Teacher Liaison
 - a. Dr. Putnam met with CTE about their letter
 - b. Letter from Exceptional Children shared with Dr. Putnam. Kim and Melissa met with him to discuss it further.
 - c. Need to give Dr. Putnam time to work with Admin about issues
 - d. Remote related services - if you are asked to do remote services - don't do them. We do not have an MOA to protect us or the student.
7. MCFT
 - a. In February Kim is going to Albany for BOCES training - not strictly just BOCES.
8. Newsletter
 - a. Next one in February.
 - b. Topics - Vote cope, LOA information
9. Supervisor Monthly Meetings - to foster relationships with Supervisors to help minimize surprises - reassigned see list START OCTOBER
10. BOCES Board Meeting Updates
 - a. Heather Malone gave presentation about preschool -
 - b. Discussion about pronouns

11. Monthly Membership Meetings

- a. Need to send out a reminder weekly/monthly
- b. Melissa and Kim will send out the agenda prior to then bring back to us with the notes

12. Open Forum

- a. MOA for two stipend positions at CTE -added another skillsUSA and FFA community partners were asking ag teacher about it
- b. WPV - scheduled on Feb 4th at ESC from 3:30-4:30 - incidences in classroom are not necessarily exempt from law just because it can be a part of a student's disability
- c. TCIS - how do educate staff on what is appropriate and inappropriate for use of restraints
- d. SchoolTool reporting system - not appropriately rolled out
- e. Member scholarship - are we interested in creating our own scholarship, what our legal obligations? How do we choose? - consensus is we don't have the ability to do this at this time.
- f. Interested member in open board position from CTE
- g. Chris getting emails from Shannon/HR asking which staff members travel -
- h. Andy - should we do a Supervisor Survey?

Next Meeting 1/15/2024