Monroe 2 - BOCES Teachers' Association Executive Committee

Agenda for 6/5/24

Officers: Mary Etta Chorbajian, Heather Case, Kim Stephenson, Melissa Pound, Chris Gold, Tiffany Feldman

Representatives: Leigh Nenni, Dave Shalke, Katie Carmina, Laura McNally, Jim Jewel, Felicia Robinson, Andy Fowler

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

NYSUT: Jason Cooney

Absent: Melissa Pound, Tiffany Feldman, Jim Jewel, Leigh Nenni, Carrie McKain

- 1. Review To-Do List
- 2. Coordinator Updates
 - a. Membership
 - i. Since last meeting we haven't had many new hires
 - ii. Several people still deciding to join the union reviewed list for us to double check and discuss with them the benefits Jen will email the list to Executive Board to have other people reach out and discuss the benefits
 - iii. Order swag bags for August New Hire Orientation on 8/21
 - iv. Retirees are submitted to NYSUT for certificate and Pins
 - 1. Can send information to NYSUT for those that retire over the summer
 - v. LOA Dues Letters will be created and send out
 - b. Treasurer
 - i. May Financial Statement
 - 1. Should break even in August
 - ii. Next year we will run into issues with mileage and travel expenses due to rising costs
 - iii. Membership NYSUT Roster is up to date to keep dues accurate
 - iv. Next Year's Budget
 - 1. Went over the 3 proposals with current membership numbers and discussed whether or not we would have to increase dues, which we haven't increased since 2016

- 2. What should we increase/decrease that benefits the membership and our knowledge as Executive Board?
- 3. Not enough to vote this meeting, need to conduct it via zoom next week when majority are available

c. Political Action

- i. Keep checking MAC notifications
- ii. Reducing heat in schools and increasing AC
- iii. Vote-Cope look for roll out in the fall
 - 1. May need a MOA for payroll deduction
 - 2. Possible incentive for signing up
- iv. APPR Update anything on signing of bill/law by Governor
- v. Fix Tier 6 changed average of last 5 years to 3 years

d. Public Relations

i. Sunday, October 13th - breast cancer walk

e. Action Committee

i. Just continue to wear our shirts on Thursdays and post for gift cards

3. Negotiations Update

- a. Met yesterday as a team to work on our rebuttal proposal. Will meet with admin again on June 17th.
- b. Due to our by-laws we cannot vote on our contract until September because it states we need to vote by June 15

4. Selection Committee

a. No updates currently - awaiting calls to finalize teacher, mental health, and speech selections

5. APPR Committee

- a. Continuing to look at different programs to support teacher evaluation paperwork documentation
- Looking at companies for wrap around services for the APPR program
 - All the paperwork, documentation, etc. for administration/staff to have a repository to hold all of this (makes it easier)
- c. Next meeting is looking at cost of the various programs to utilize

6. Teacher Liaison

a. Discussion about recruitment and the challenges BOCES continues to face

- b. Supervisors taking over phone calls with families instead of teachers being first line of communication breaking relationships/boundaries (possibly talk with Kerry first)
- 7. MCFT
 - a. End of year gathering at Perlo's. Kim and Dave attending
- 8. Newsletter
 - a. Specific topics re-iterate that Union is not part of the selection process
 - b. Reminder of meeting dates
 - c. Updating personal emails/where do receive mail
 - d. QR code for tier 6 with explanation of why they want people to join the fix tier 6 campaign
 - e. Audit findings will be on website
 - f. Pride coalition
- 9. **Supervisor Monthly Meetings** to foster relationships with Supervisors to help minimize surprises reassigned see list START OCTOBER
- 10. BOCES Board Meeting Updates
 - a. If able to attend let Melissa or Kim know
- 11. Open forum
 - a. Meeting dates for 24-25
 - i. Start 3rd week in September
 - ii. Keep 1st and 3rd wednesday of every month
 - iii. 1st wednesday include zoom link for membership to join
 - b. Do we need a summer meeting?
 - i. Do not need one
 - c. Supervisor Concerns
 - d. Selection first email was sent at 10:35 pm on Friday
 - i. When will we get the phone calls?
 - 1. Starting tomorrow and hopefully done by Friday
- 12. Monthly meetings had one at RTP on Monday allowed for more people who are itinerant or later workers to attend.
 - a. Continue these next year-will have a sign-up for executive board to lead the meetings

Next Meeting via zoom before 6/21/24