

Monroe 2 - BOCES Teachers' Association

Executive Committee

Agenda for 3/1/2023

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

Representatives: Leigh Nenni, Dave Shalke, Catherine Jackson, Laura McNally, Jim Jewel, Felicia Robinson

Coordinators: Andrew Fowler, Jennifer Montanino, Katie Carmina, Carrie McKain

NYSUT: Jason Cooney

Absent: Leigh Nenni, Jen Montanino, Felicia Robinson

1. Review 2/1/23 Minutes - Kim Post to FB and Katie to Website
2. Review To-Do List
3. Chair Updates
 - a. Membership - absent
 - b. Treasurer - on target for spending - we still have another \$700 for an additional social gathering or can draw funds from membership committee
 - i. Have gone over conference budget last few years - may want to increase for next year
 - ii. Would like to try not to raise dues rate for members even with the potential increase in NYSUT dues over the next few years - Chris recommends looking at cutting budget items versus increasing dues
 - iii. Chris will work on the budget for next year to be voted on in May
 - iv. Bank made an error of \$.20 and will issue a check to the recipient so Chris can reconcile the checkbook
 - c. Political Action
 - i. JoAnne canceled going to Lobby day due to the weather was looking at virtual attendance instead
 - ii. Andy - reached out to t-shirt vendor 400 t-shirts would roughly come to \$8.65 for 2 color front one color back (\$1.50 more/shirt for higher quality shirt) and additional cost per shirt for plus sized shirts. Would pair it with an apparel sale. Will send on the listed of inks eligible for print screens. Mrs. Fowler's HaAS room could pack the shirts for staff over the summer. Need 30 day turn around

- iii. Voting for new name will be next week due by the 10th. Then Kim can pass on the new name and color options to the CTE teacher to come up with designs
 - iv. Component districts are coming out with calendars - there is a push to have schools closed on April 8th due to solar eclipse.
- d. Public Relation
 - i. Date and venue for next social gathering - Carrie to get more options for dates (preferably May) and venues
 - ii. Heather requesting to stop the gift card raffle due to lack of staff participation - will use for a raffle at a social gathering
- 4. Selection Committee
 - a. Met on Feb 14 to discuss options in lieu of an MOA, led to other discussions about teacher Selection -
 - i. Currently have MOA - allows for teachers to teach outside of their self-contained room and allow the students to go between rooms to fulfill all of their subjects (i.e. 6:1:1, 6:1:2 English taught by different teacher in same building). Wanting to expand this outside of SAB and Westview.
 - b. Meeting on February 28 was canceled
- 5. Action Committee
 - a. Kim and Melissa met with Jason and Liz on Feb 7. Shared the info with Andy
 - b. Committee needs to create a calendar in September for our Action Plan
- 6. APPR Committee
 - a. Meeting on March 9 - this will be first meeting
 - b. Was created when 30-12 (B now D) came out and helped create guidelines. Now have to negotiate parts of APPR, based on the recommendations of the committee.
 - c. A supervisor is asking to observe a session of self-directed providers - constituent needs to make sure that supervisor has understanding where the observation is not part of the APPR and will not be punitive to provider
- 7. Negotiations
 - a. When should we get our pre-negotiation team together to collect data?
 - b. How to do 1:1 Meetings
 - c. When do we do survey? If possible before break (send out by 3/10 and back by 3/31).

- i. Kim is working with NYSUT on survey to send out
 - d. When do we hand out t-shirts? Need to survey sizes. - wait until we have new name and design.
 - e. How are we going to be meeting our constituents in person to get people more familiar with us. Would like to have this done before June or early fall. Dave proposing option for zoom if we don't have enough flexibility for everyone.
- 8. Teacher Liaison
 - a. Meeting March 14, February meeting canceled
 - i. Kim would like information from the forums with JoAnne.
 - ii. Communication about checkout - is it going to be the same as in years past. Andy heard rumors that they were proposing holding us the full day.
 - iii. Are there any changes to calendar?
- 9. Representative Assembly 2023
 - a. Kim and Mary Etta Attending (end of April)
- 10. MCFT - no one attended
- 11. Name Change?
 - a. <https://forms.office.com/r/fzXYX2J72Q>
 - b. Executive board narrowed down to 5 choices:
 - i. BOCES 2 united (B2U)
 - ii. BOCES 2 United professionals (B2UP)
 - iii. BOCES 2 Faculty Association
 - iv. BOCES 2 Union of Related Services and Teachers (B2URST)
 - v. Remain the same (B2TA BOCES 2 Teachers Association)
 - c. Chris put forth a motion for the listed names and Mary Etta seconded it - unanimous for those present, those not present abstained
- 12. Newsletter - Melissa gave information to Carrie - Dave is featured executive member. Other topics will be job sharing, NYSTRS - making sure you're checking your account and making sure your only speaking to reps only and that you report frauds. Having difficulty getting info from ERS.
- 13. Supervisor Monthly Meetings - to foster relationships with Supervisors to help minimize surprises - reassigned see list START OCTOBER
 - a. Please make sure that you are sending meeting notes either email or interoffice to our Union Office at RTP
 - b. Make sure to at least give Melissa and Kim heads up on information
 - c. Some having difficulty with meetings canceled.

14. Open forum

- a. How can an ITS due job without going into the building to assist with a specific student - due to working on curriculum
- b. Katie proposing some kind of raffle for social gatherings where you get a ticket for bringing a friend

Next Meeting April 19, 2023