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## **Representative Council Meeting January 19, 20112**

The meeting was called to order at 3:08pm by John Manning

**Present:** John Manning, Dean Campiglia, Marc Foti, Joaquim Johnson, Cathy Nolan, Joe Italiano, Fred Criscitelli, Howard Stein, Brenda Avery-Carswell, Charlie Gurnari, Matt Perkins, James Cappello and Victoria Scarpa

**Absent:** Tenaya Bascomb, Alima Williams, Timothy Reilly, Eleanor Murno, and Jesse Schaffner,

### **Minutes**

The minutes for January were previously accepted via a unanimous consent procedure, and then posted to the association's website ([www.PCTVEA.org](http://www.PCTVEA.org) under the link "Meetings").

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Mr. Foti discussed the accounting fees, and explained that he's awaiting clarification on a possible double-billing, if so, it will be corrected in next month's report.
- Mr. Gurnari made a motion to accept the report and Mr. Stein seconded it. The report was accepted unanimously.

### **Sunshine Report**

- No report was submitted but baskets were distributed for Joseph Peterson, Mitch Cilino, Marion Baty and Ron Franchino following inquires by the council last month. The vendor for baskets has been changed to Aiello's.

### **Grievances**

- The NJEA is handling a matter concerning a member seeking health benefits while home caring for a sick-child, and a matter concerning a member that has been suspended with pay. An NJEA consultant will be representing both of these members at the upcoming February Board Meeting.
- An agreement concerning pay for the 6<sup>th</sup> period while on leave was reached with the effected members and the checks were alas issued on 2/15/12. (The three-year saga is over!)

### **Social Committee**

- Mr. Gurnari announced that the Association Bowling Night will begin on March 5. Interested members can bowl at T-Bowl in Wayne each Tuesday from 4pm to 6pm. Members would have to pay \$8/person to play, and the price includes shoe rentals and two games. A flyer is being created and distributed to generate interest for this event.

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### **Old Business**

- Mr. Reilly reported that the Association Night at the local hockey league had to be canceled due to a lack of interest. And all remaining dates for the team are sold out (so apparently a lot of people are interested in this occasion, but sadly that does not include the majority of our members).
- No new information was brought up concerning the Text-messaging plan .
- The County Association is sponsoring its Comedy Night on Thursday, March 29 to raise money for its scholarship foundation. Ms. Scarpa, Mr. Reilly, Mrs. Wacha and Mr. Gurnari said that they'd be willing to attend. Mrs. Murno, Mr. Perkins, and Mrs. Avery-Carswell are being listed as "possible."

### **New Business**

- Elections for the Representative Council will be held on Tuesday, March 27. Ballots for Nominations need to be issued by February 23. Mr. Mix and Mr. Busha will be informed, as they head the Election Committee. It was also suggested that we offer an open invitation to members that wish to assist on this committee, as the help is needed.
- The End-of-the-Year Party needs to be planned. Mr. Manning will contact the Brownstone about a date. The council had recommended sometime in the second week in June. There were no objections to using the same DJ as last year, so Mr. Johnson agreed to inquire on his availability.
- Mr. Italiano brought up the elections for the county Association and wished to endorse Salvadore Gambino (a past-president of our Association) for the office of County Vice President. Discussions concerning the importance of have someone locally affiliated serve within this position would be more beneficial to our members than all other options. Mr. Manning agreed that he'd send out an endorsement.
- Mr. Manning brought up the numerous concerns from members that he had discussed with Mr. Digise in the recent weeks, and stated that Mr. Digise is open to having individual members come to his office to discuss their concerns. The revival of the Liaison Committee is also going to assist with these matters and interested members should sign on to serve on this committee.
- The Teacher-of-the-Year party will be scheduled (at a time of Mrs. Nieve's convenience and following the official announcement by Mr. Digise at our next Principal's meeting.

Jim Cappello made a motion to end the meeting and Brenda Avery-Carswell seconded it.

The meeting adjourned at 3:35pm

Respectfully submitted by,  
Joaquim Johnson  
PCTVEA Secretary