

BEA Executive Board Agenda

3/9/17

Executive Board Members Present:

Allison Hammer, President

Melissa Gonzalez-Becker, Vice President

Tova Margolis, Secretary

Jim Sunderland, BHS

Lauren McCarthy, BHS

Lael Piehl, BHS

Cynthia Slemaker, BHS

Lynda McGraw, JGMS

Nicole d'Entremont, JGMS

Karen Poli, JGMS

Alli Lua, Davis

Meeting was called to order at 3:45pm.

I. President's Report

- a. GIC increase--the GIC voted to increase the rates by an average of 3.8%. More information can be found on the GIC website.
- b. The BESE approved changes that eliminate the separate Student Impact Rating and replace it with a new Student Learning Indicator in Standard 2 for teachers (and Standard 3 for administrators). The changes also eliminate all references to an "impact rating" in the regulations. The MTA will be providing additional information about the significance of the regulatory changes and implications for collective bargaining.
- c. The BESE approved sending proposed changes to the Educator Licensure and Licensure Renewal regulations out for public comment. Public comment is due on April 5, 2017. The vote will take place on June 27. Proposed changes can be found on the DESE website--they are characterized in general as streamlining, closing loopholes, or reducing regulatory burden. Look for links for public comment on the DESE website in the near future.
- d. Online voting is now open for MTA members to elect NEA Directors, Regional/Statewide Delegates to the NEA Representative Assembly, and Regional Ethnic Minority Delegates to the MTA Annual Meeting and the deadline is 4/28 at 5:00. People have received an email and will receive something in the mail explaining the process.
- e. NEA-RA 7/2-7/5 in Boston--call for 2 total delegates by March 15.
- f. MTA Annual Meeting 5/19-5/20 in Boston --call for 8 total delegates by March 15.
- g. BEA donations--Tenacity Challenge at BHS and JGMS: Allison made a motion to donate \$500 to the JGMS Tenacity Challenge and \$1,000 to the BHS Tenacity Challenge and Cynthia seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

II. Vice-President's Report-No grievances.

III. Secretary's Report- Cynthia made a motion to approve the January minutes, Lael seconded. The minutes

were approved unanimously.

IV. Treasurer's Report-The treasurer's report was reviewed by Allison and accepted.

V. Building Reports

- a. Secretaries-Nothing to report
- b. EAs/TAs-Not present
- c. Davis-Some EA/TAs are upset because teachers were not asked to provide input on their evaluations.
- d. Lane-No reps were present due to conferences and there was nothing to report.
- e. JGMS-SPED meetings are running long and there is confusion about co-teaching.
- f. BHS-There are concerns about teaching in the current political environment and how to handle political situations as they arise in the classroom. How can we support our most vulnerable students?
- g. New Members-Nothing to report.

Ten Minute Meetings:

1. GIC rate changes can be found on the GIC website.
2. Student Impact Rating has been replaced with a new Student Learning Indicator in Standard 2.
3. Public comments for proposed changes to the Educator Licensure and Licensure Renewal regulations will be due on April 5, 2017.
4. Online voting to elect NEA Directors, Regional/Statewide Delegates to the NEA Representative Assembly, and Regional Ethnic Minority Delegates to the MTA Annual Meeting will close 4/28 at 5:00. People have received an email and will receive something in the mail explaining the process.
5. NEA-RA 7/2-7/5 in Boston--Let Allison know if you are interested by Friday 3/17.
6. MTA Annual Meeting 5/19-5/20 in Boston--Let Allison know if you are interested by Friday 3/17.

Lael made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Melissa seconded. The meeting adjourned at 4:48pm.

Minutes taken by Tova Margolis