

BEA Executive Board Agenda

2/11/2020

Meeting called to order at 3:40pm

Jim Sunderland, President
Tova Margolis, Secretary
Jill Beers, Davis
Colleen Farnham, Lane
Carlos Caprioli, BHS
Alli Lua, Davis
Jen Foster, Davis
Karen Poli, JGMS
Lenore Zavalick, Lane
Jill Butler, BHS
Pat Culhane, BHS

I. President's Report

- A. Bingo for Books (Tabled until March since James is not present)
- B. Nicole Myles will be a building representative at Bedford High School
- C. The 17 members of the superintendent search committee met last night. Four of whom are BEA representatives.
- D. BEA Scholarship update-Guidance has been informed of the scholarships, which are for seniors that are aspiring teachers.
- E. ESP Conference: April 3-4, Falmouth-Lenore made a motion to allow surplus funding to cover hotel costs up to budgeted amount and Pat seconded. The vote was approved unanimously.
- F. MTA Annual Meeting: May 1-2, Springfield-Please advertise this at 10 minute meetings and everyone should attend at least once.

II. Vice-President's Report

- A. Melissa is currently at the negotiations meeting
- B. No grievances

III. Secretary's Report- Pat made a motion to approve the January minutes and Karen seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

IV. Treasurer's Report-Jim reviewed the budget.

V. Building Reports

- A. Administrative Assistants-Nothing to report.
- B. EAs/TAs-Nothing to report.
- C. Davis-Nothing to report.
- D. Lane-Nothing to report.
- E. JGMS-Not present.
- F. BHS-Nothing to report.
- G. New Members- Kevin is currently at the negotiations meeting.

Lenore made a motion to adjourn and Carlos seconded. The vote was accepted unanimously. We adjourned at 4:10.

Minutes taken by Tova Margolis.

Ten Minute Meetings:

1. A lot of people have been asking about "What if I miss one of the PD days?" Article 9-01a, does state that if someone misses a PD day due to unavoidable circumstances, they can still earn the inservice credit (based on an indiv. basis, and at the discretion of the superintendent.)
2. The MTA ESP Conference is April 3&4 at the Sea Crest Beach Hotel in Falmouth and registration is now open. If interested search "MTA ESP Conference 2020". BEA has some funding to support registration.
3. On April 6th the Lexington Education Association will be hosting a seminar on managing student debt. Todd Friedhaber, an extraordinary presenter from Cambridge Credit Counseling, has helped many members in many MTA locals get a handle on the difficult- to-access loan forgiveness programs. If you think that you may be interested in attending, email presidentbedford@gmail.com by the end of February.
4. MTA Annual Meeting is May 1&2 in Springfield. For more info, search "MTA Annual Meeting 2020". If interested in being a BEA delegate, email Jim Sunderland at presidentbedford@gmail.com. BEA has some funding to support attendance.
5. "Take Action" to undo Betsy DeVos' misguided policy to protect predatory for profit colleges. Contact your senators to encourage them to support S. J. Res. 56 to protect student borrowers. Goto senate.gov for contact info.