

# Connetquot Teachers Association, Inc.

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**MINUTES OF THE:** Connetquot Teachers Association Board of Directors Meeting of Tuesday, December 13, 2022

## **PRESENT:**

Tony Felicio, Jr., Brad Lindell, Chris Dolce, Ellen Perz, Rob Bachisin, Jeff Vitale, Joanna Zalewski, Kevin Keane, Christine Dassler, Rob Lehnert, Leslie Sewell, Rob Burger, Christine Constantine, Shannon Lehnert, Frank Saladino, Diane Boyle, Charlie Hafner, Nichole Johnson, Beth Caiola, Gina Cerulli, Diane Boccio, John Zambriski, Jennifer Ronayne, Paul Rondinella

## **ABSENT:**

Anita Ekstem, Lisa Manzo, Stefanie Litchult

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 4:37 pm

## **MOTIONS:**

**Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report 4:38 pm**

- Motion made by Brad Lindell and seconded by Chris Dolce to approve the November '22 Treasurer's Report: **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Motion to Approve Emergency Fund 4:49 pm**

- Motion was made by Leslie Sewell and seconded by Shannon Lehnert to approve \$1050 for the Emergency Fund: **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Motion to Approve Go Fund Me 4:50 pm**

- Motion was made by Rob Burger and seconded by Brad Lindell to approve \$250 for Debra Collier's Go Fund Me for her fiancé: **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Motion to Approve PR Boost 5:06 pm**

- Motion was made by Ellen Perz and seconded by Kevin Keane to approve up to \$300 for Public Relations to boost holiday card and positives teachers toward the Connetquot community **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

### **COMMITTEES:**

- 4:38 pm: Health and Safety
  - Nothing new to report. District meetings seem to be unproductive.
  - Issue with heat at John Pearl yesterday
  - John Pearl – at end of one hall, hall vent and fire alarm are behind new security doors. District was told and responded won't be fixed until end of year.
  - Temperature cannot go below 65 degrees
- 4:47 pm: Political Action
  - Nothing new to report
- 4:48 pm: Public Relations
  - Preparing gifts for central office secretaries
  - Positive response from Happy Holidays card
  - Retirement Party June 20, 2023 at Land's End
- 4:49 pm: Emergency Fund
  - Nothing new to report

- 4:52 pm: Technology
  - Nothing new to report
  - District committee meeting this Thursday
- 4:53 pm: PR/Media Specialist
  - Committee has met and developed job description
  - Extensive knowledge of Facebook/Instagram (increasing followers, reach, knowledge of metrics, understanding of how to boost toward Connetquot community, monitor comments, press releases)
  - Gain information from teachers
  - Stipend remains to be seen
  - Email will go out with letters of interest, respond to Rob Bachisin (bachisin@gmail.com)

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 5:07 pm: Arbitration & Grievances
  - Nurse arbitration concluded. Waiting for response from arbitrator.
- 5:10 pm: Negotiations
  - Waiting to hear what comes out of Fact Finding
  - Team is still working behind the scenes
  - Many contracts out there that support our position
- 5:21 pm: Other
  - Chris gathered information from Board of Directors and will present to Christina Poppe.
    - Elementary: Suggest a district wide basic plan
    - Secondary: No system in place for new occurrences, spotty record keeping, benefits of eschool tab. Need consistency among grade levels (Psychologists at HS have access)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 5:31 pm: Other
  - With the colder weather upon us, unity walk-in on Tuesday mornings only
  - \$10,000 grant from NYSUT to order buttons and shirts. Emphasis supporting children.

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:54 PM**

Respectfully submitted by Rob Bachisin, CTA Secretary