

## Minutes – 5/9/2013

Present: John Arcese, Peter Bellanti, Dana Besch, Joseph Borgisi, Michael Capuana, Paul Cary, Jen Cordon, Lynne Crawford, Elizabeth Dunne, Sue Ellis, Lynn Fisher, Lisa Graves, Greg Heer, Cheryl Keller, Nancy Lalley, Teresa Lawrence, Heidi Salva, Meri Tomasulo-Pello.

Absent: Deb Cary, David Hall, Judi Roberson, Nicole Roberson

Dana Besch called the meeting to order at 8:31 am.

Minutes: Dana Besch called for a motion to accept the 3/3/13 minutes. Heidi Salva made the motion to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul Cary. Motion carried.

Budget Report: Peter Bellanti - Monies collected and deposited from classes offered between July 1, 2012 thru May 9, 2013 - \$45,467.74.

### Director's Report

Far West & State News – The Far West Meeting has been rescheduled to May 21, 2013. Peter will have more information after this meeting. Far West courses will be once again offered in the fall and they are looking forward to adding a couple of new courses to the fall lineup.

NYS Budget & 2013-2014 Grant Award – Grant application is out, as of this meeting the budget allotments have not been sent out by the state yet. Once the allotment is received Peter will email the amount we are to receive to all board members.

### Old Business

New Policy Board Update – No interest has been shown by either Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary School or St Mary's Elementary in having a school representative on the Teacher Center Board.

### New Business

#### Winter/Spring Course Breakdown

- 61 workshops offered between 1/13/2013 and 5/3/2013
- 34 classes ran
- 305 teachers registered
- 301 attended

Summer/Fall 2013 Course Proposals – Peter asked members to review the Course Proposals. After a short discussion on some of the courses Paul Cary made a motion to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nancy Lalley. Motion carried.

Election of New Chair and Co-Chair – Motion was made by Heidi Salva to nominate Dana Besch as Chair and Nancy Lalley as Co-Chair for the 2013-2014 school year. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joseph Borgisi. Motion carried.

2013-2014 School Year Meetings – Members were given a proposed schedule for meeting dates. Peter Bellanti asked each district present to choose a date they would like to host a meeting and let the Teacher Center know date they have chosen. A request was made that one of the BOCES dates be scheduled at the Harkness Center.

Tonawanda/Grand Island Consolidation Proposal – Peter Bellanti brought to the board a tentative consolidation proposal between the WNY Teacher Center and the Tonawanda/Grand Island Teacher Center. After quite a bit of discussion it was agreed (members are not opposed to this consolidation) that more information to address this proposal is needed and it will be tabled and brought back for discussion in the 2014 – 2015 school year.

Meeting closed at 10:36 am with a motion by Joseph Borgisi, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sue Ellis. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: Thursday October 3, 2013 – E1B Campus Room A-3 – 12:30 PM.