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MINUTES OF THE: Connetquot Teachers Association Board of Directors Meeting of
Tuesday, April 13, 2021

PRESENT: Tony Felicio, Jr., Brad Lindell, Chris Dolce, Ellen Perz, Rob Bachisin, Diane Boyle, Beth Caiola, Rob Burger, Diane Boccio, Christine Constantine, Paul Rondinella, John Zambriski, Nichole Johnson, Peter Leis, Leslie Sewell, Jeff Vitale, Christine Dassler, Frank Saladino, Charlie Hafner, Stefanie Litchult, Lisa Manzo, Joanna Zalewski, Kevin Keane

ABSENT: Laura Getman-Vaca, Jennifer Ronayne, Shannon Lehnert, Carolyn Paul

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 4:36 pm

MOTIONS:

Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report 4:37 pm

- Motion made by Rob Burger and seconded by Peter Leis to approve March '21 Treasurer's Report: **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

COMMITTEES:

- 4:38 pm: District Health & Safety Committee
 - Brad reported there was a last minute meeting, but nothing new.
- 4:38 pm: Political Action
 - Committee 100 Jeff met with Phil Boyle and Alexis Weik, both said they support teachers and were pro education. Phil left early, Alexis sympathized with what teachers were going through. However, she would not comment on how to fund education, will not support millionaire tax or the marijuana tax.
- 4:41 pm: Public Relations
 - Birthday in a box material was sent to the high school, National Honor Society members will assemble.
 - Cohalen center still closed.
 - Next month elementary awards.
 - Approximately 10-12 retirees. Building reps will report back to union what each building is doing to advise to all membership.
- 4:49 pm: Emergency Fund
 - Nothing to report.
- 4:49 pm: Technology
 - Nothing to report.
 - Congratulations to Alise Pulliam, new director of Director of Digital Learning, Innovation, and Instructional Technology.
 - Elementary Kids aren't getting consistent access to certain reading apps (Diane Boyle).
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OLD BUSINESS:

- 4:52 pm: Arbitration & Grievances
 - Withdrew grievance regarding Brad and special education director

- Others pending Impact Bargaining MOA. District has documents, just hasn't had personal to release it.
- 4:54 pm: CTA Elections
 - May 21st is the deadline for anyone who would like to run for a position.
 - President, Vice-Presidents require a written petition with 50 signatures along with a personal bio.
 - All other officers require a written petition with 25 signatures along with personal bio.
 - Building Representatives only require a nomination (anyone can nominate, including nominating oneself).
 - May 28th candidates will be announced.
 - June 11th Election, will run in same manner as in the past.
 - Absentee ballots need to be requested from Jeff 2 weeks in advanced before the election.
 - Peter will send email out to retirees, to request volunteers to man the election boxes.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 5:02 pm: Student Eating Situation
 - Tony has sent emails to the district regarding 3ft distance and eating situation with no response. Complained barriers do nothing from side to side. Eating (lunch and snack) must be 6 ft apart.
 - High School cafeteria changed from tables back to desks. Middle school recently changed.
 - Elem still eating in classrooms. Tony spoke with Reza today. Elementary schools may possibly use atriums. Cafeterias are currently being used as storage facilities in Bosti, Slocum.
- 5:12 pm: Staffing for next year
 - At this moment there is no talk about excessing anyone. Hopefully everything will be absorbed through attrition.
- 5:17 pm: Schoolboard Elections
 - Thanks to Jeff, Brad, and Chris who met with possible schoolboard candidates. CTA will support Marisol Mallon and Brian Murphy (both from OBM side of district). Election May 18th.
- 5:20 pm: Other
 - Hold off on CTA apparel until next year

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:23 PM

Respectfully submitted by Rob Bachisin, CTA Interim Secretary