

PDTA Representative Assembly & General PDTA Meeting
June 12, 2006
Minutes

Present: P. Abkowitz, C. Bader, A. Balch, S. Bertrand, K. Boardman, M. Brown, B. Burrows, B. Canfield, D. Cerbone, L. Chaput, E. Ciccone, J. DiBrango, M. Donner, J. Drake, G. Drooz, S. Gager, B. Gibson, B. Girouard, M. Hart, D. John, A. Johnson-Credit, S. Johnston, L. Khalil, D. Krenzer, M. LoRe-Geigel, M. Maland, A. McCarthy, J. Menchel, G. Mulkeen, B. O'Brien, C. Sackett, A. Shannon, B. Shapiro, K. Shield, N. Sorrentino, S. Stein, S. Tontarski, L. Traynor, P. VanGraafeiland

Other Members Present: L. Shemancik, S. Smith, K. Jordan, L. Riley, K. Matychak, M. Humphreys, L. Crawford, C. Burton

Absent: M. Biondi, B. Collins, K. Dolan, J. Duntley, L. Ehrlich, C. Glassman, H. McAulliffe, D. Nichols, D. Sanfratello

1. **Minutes:** Minutes from the May 8 R.A. meeting and June 5 Executive Committee meeting were approved.
2. **Treasurer's Report** was distributed and approved.
3. **Installation of 2006-07 PDTA Representative Assembly:** B. Shapiro thanked members for their work this past year and then introduced the new members of next year's R.A.

OLD BUSINESS

4. **Memorandum of Agreement re: Health Insurance Coverage:** P. VanGraafeiland distributed the final wording for the memorandum. She reviewed its contents. R.A. voted on and approved the MOA.
5. **Professional Standards Review Board:** The following were voted on and approved by the R.A. to next year's PSRB: Lina Maine-HS, Veronica Johnson-MS, Suzanne Johnston-Elementary

NEW BUSINESS

6. **2006-07 PDTA Budget Proposal:** Copies reflecting changes suggested at last month's R.A. meeting were distributed and reviewed. R.A. voted to approve the budget proposal.
Suggestions for future: Change PSRB stipend from \$250 back to \$500, now that they are working more. E. Ciccone requested that we double check the membership numbers for next year for accuracy. If there are more, thus more income, it will be placed in "Unappropriated Funds" section of the budget.
7. **Negotiations:** B. Shapiro suggested a new format to the Negotiations team. We would continue to have one large group with all schools represented. But, for the face-to-face negotiations, we would have a core team of about 5 members from the Negotiations team. This team could change members, as certain topics are negotiated. R.A. approved the change of format. It will be brought up again in the Fall. PDTA continues to collect issues/concerns for negotiations sent in by members.

- 8. Extracurricular Committee:** K. Boardman reviewed what has been done this year. The committee is collecting year-end reports from club advisors and will make adjustments as needed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 9. Professional Advancement (P. VanGraafeiland):** No report
- 10. Professional Growth (D. Nichols):** Her report will be in June's *Speak Out!*
- 11. Communications (B. Burrows):** Bret thanked those who helped this year.
- 12. Public Relations (J. Drake):** 1645 items were collected for the Pittsford Food Cupboard. Our goal for next year: 2000! The committee will look into several suggested options for changing collection for next year.
- 13. New Member (C. Glassman):** The committee will be dissolved. Duties will go through the Building Representative.
- 14. Special Events (K. Dolan):** C. Glassman will take over next year. B. Shapiro thanked A. Shannon for her help while K. Dolan was out on leave. The committee will look into changing venue for next year's retirement party.
- 15. Political Action (P. Abkowitz):** Very successful VOTE/COPE drive this year. Also, we did a phone bank for the school budget in May.
- 16. Membership (E. Ciccone):** we continue to grow!
- 17. Health & Safety (L. Khalil):** The committee looked at 16 initiatives this year, including: wellness, new health and safety issue form.

SPECIAL REPORTS

- 18. President:** goals for 2006-07:
- Successfully negotiate new contract
 - Increase education of members about what PDTA does
 - Develop PDTA leaders
 - Focus on cooperative decision making process
- 19. V-P:** DPT meets this week to review committee charters. This summer Administration and some PDTA reps will meet at Beaver Hollow to continue working on Professional Development.
- 20. Grievance:** Report is in June's *Speak Out!*
- 21. Retirees:** The May issue of *Retired Times* was distributed to all Building Reps. The PDRA meets twice a year.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrew Balch
PDTA Secretary