

Delegate's Assembly  
BOCES United Professionals

4:00 PM  
START/ALA Library  
December 3, 2013

- I. Call to order at 4:03pm
- II. Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - A. November 5, 2013 - unanimous approval.

III. Correspondence/Reports

A. Treasurer's Report - A. Lord

Presentation of financial report - All in order. Extension has been asked for to complete tax form 990. By January meeting, we expect to have paperwork in order to complete that, based on upcoming either internal or external audit/review.

13 charities we are continuing to give to this holiday season. Motion made to discuss continuing these 13 organizations - A. Lord, T. Farnum, 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Advent House	Alternatives for Battered Women
Boy Scout Troop 26	Center for Youth
CURE Childhood Cancer	Farm Sanctuary
Hillside Special Santas	Lollipop Farm
Open Door Mission	Perinton Food Shelf
Special Olympics	St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center
Veteran's Outreach at Canandaigua VA	

Question asked why give to so many organizations?

Treasurer reports that this has been budgeted for, for years. These are organizations that our families/students benefit from. If membership feels strongly about reducing the charitable donations, the discussion can be continued.

E. Andrieu - motion to amend the list to replace the Farm Sanctuary with the EquiCenter 2<sup>nd</sup>. T. Farnum.

Motion to vote - K. Moxley, 2<sup>nd</sup> B. Jones - passed.

Motion to approve 13 organizations with Equicenter substituting for Farm Sanctuary -K. King, 2<sup>nd</sup> K. Moxley - passed.

B. Negotiations Committee - J. Alati

Committee has combed through contract, most areas need further review. Next meeting will continue discussion, survey monkey survey on horizon to determine most pressing issues. Members should voice or e-mail topics of concern to their BUP representatives.

C. NYSTRS Conference Report - P. Yaeger/B. Walker

Nov. 3-4 conference in Saratoga. Not a lot of change to report. Pension was described as secure and "ideal" by one presenter. Any questions about retirement - members should set up NYSTRS account on-line - Brett Walker is happy to help with this or any other questions regarding retirement. Easy to do. First step in gaining information on this topic.

If a member (24 years or more into the organization) becomes sick or goes in for major surgery - contact NYSTRS - file for disability protection. Makes a huge difference in coverage and lump sums paid.

Sign up as soon as possible to gain info on retirement - conferences are available in Power Point format. Inform yourself!!! Read your profile yearly, check beneficiary yearly.

Very user friendly - also can call 1-800 # - very easy to talk to representatives. Answered all questions thoroughly.

IV. Old Business

Motion (Executive Committee): to suspend the rules for the purpose of discussing audit options as presented by The Bonadio Group at the November 5 Assembly Meeting. A. Jordan - so ordered.

Constituents seem to want to wait the full year before fully auditing, feedback varied. Money for audit will come from our savings account.

Questions asked regarding settlement money paid back - how decisions will be communicated to members regarding what to do with that money - A. Jordan responded that money is safe in savings account for now, gaining interest - negotiations are priority.

We have been unable to do anything with money returned until we received an official tax status from the IRS. That has been received. After negotiations, decision re: how to use that money will be surveyed, researched.

Members should feel free to email or call Admiral or Andrew/Joe in order to have questions answered, individually or in groups.

V. New Business

- A. Motion (Elections Committee): Fill a delegate vacancy in the Speech Department by special election. (**requires 2/3's majority approval.**)  
Election will be by mail – motion to vote K. Moxley, M. Brady 2<sup>nd</sup> – motion passed.

Kelly O'Brien Fairley has resigned as Creekside delegate. The elections committee will meet to review options, and present a motion for Delegate's consideration to fill the vacancy at the next Assembly meeting.

Wear Blue Day – Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> – supports funding for public schools and colleges, a 3 year moratorium on high-stakes consequences for standardized tests and a focus on teaching and learning, not testing.

Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> Wayne county budget hearing. Wayne County trying to eliminate a portion of county sales tax that is contributed to school districts in that county – a huge deficit would be incurred if this passes. Contact legislators to denounce support of this potential offering.

Mailing from BC/BS – health insurance is not being cancelled!! – only program going away is Simply Blue. No one is affected, as it was cancelled before Open Enrollment and members never had the option of selecting this plan.

VI. Announcements

- A. The Executive Committee wishes all members a safe and happy holiday season. Please know that the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is always available to BUP members during this holiday season and throughout the year. Its use is always 100% confidential.

Meeting adjourned 5:00pm

**Next Delegates Assembly Meeting: January 7, 2014  
4:00 PM**