

**Delegate Assembly Minutes
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Report on **Lobby Day** February 15th – Cindy Baker went with Dan White and John Walker. They met with two lawmakers and four other staffs concerning education and BOCES issues.

Officers attended the **NYSUT negotiating workshop** on January 29th. Deidra Miller did a presentation on safety language in union contracts.

BUP received a **thank you note** from Bianca, a student that BUP supported by buying her a work uniform for a job promotion.

A brochure with **talking points to counteract the anti-teacher and anti-public employee rhetoric** was distributed and can be downloaded By Clicking the Back arrow and Selecting **Talking Point**

Nancy Hoskins suggested that she felt that it was time for BUP, Board of Education, and Administration to **collaborate to safeguard education funding**.

An information sheet on the “**105 benefit plan**” was distributed. It is somewhat different from the “125 plan” that people pay in to. This information sheet is available by Clicking the Back arrow and Selecting **105 Benefit Plan**

10 tips for combating stress were distributed – this sheet is available by Clicking the Back arrow and Selecting **10 tips for combating Stress**

Information on a grant program called PACT for people who are **career changers into teaching** was distributed and is available by Clicking the Back arrow and Selecting **Grant Program**

Information concerning **moves due to summer construction** is available. Teachers moving due to summer construction will be compensated for the move per union contract. If you have questions, talk to your administrator.

The Central-Western Zone NYS Retired Teachers Association is offering **grants to teachers** with Bachelor’s degrees pursuing advanced study in education. Information is available at www.cwzretiredteachers.com or by Clicking the Back arrow and Selecting **Grants For Teachers**

The Harry **Karpinski Scholarship** forms will be available soon. They will be forwarded to all members.

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