

West Genesee Teachers' Association  
MONTHLY MEETING OF THE WGTA CABINET  
November 18, 2009

**I.** The meeting was *called to order* by John Christian at 3:59 PM

**II. Cabinet Members Present**

<u>Executive Officers:</u>	<u>Camillus Middle School</u>	<u>East Hill</u>	<u>Onondaga Road</u>
John Christian	Dave Crawford	Heather Thome	Allyson Winters
Bonnie Young	Lisa Tamiso		Ginny Madden
Susan Giannini			
Andrea Moore			
Danielle Tuttle			

<u>Stonehedge</u>	<u>Split Rock</u>	<u>West Genesee</u>	<u>West Genesee</u>
Terry Lindsey	Janet Campbell	<u>Middle School</u>	<u>High School</u>
Christine Rust	Melanie Callahan		Pat Andino
			Margie Thiele
			Patti Sullivan

Past President: Mike Cost

Also present: Ray Fuller

**III. Secretary's Report**

- a. Minutes from September's and October's meetings accepted as corrected (two corrections)

**IV. Treasurer's Report** - Bonnie Young reported:

- a. Balance as of 9/30/2009 – 43,315.57
- b. September dues paid
- c. October dues not yet paid
- d. Treasurer's Report was filed as submitted

**V. President's Report**

- a. Benchmarks issue will be addressed and will have answers tomorrow
- b. Spelling at Elementary Schools – no consensus
- c. NovaNET – no steadfast plan – a work in progress
- d. Issues with time –
  1. some districts have ½ days (8)
  2. Superintendent supports ½ days, but board must be involved in decision making – it's a work in progress

- e. Sick Banks needed
  - 1. Michele Lepak – 10 days
  - 2. Stacey Gunnip – 10 days
  - 3. Lisa Tamiso will make sure that requests get to right people
- f. John thanked all involved in helping with the Health Benefits vote
- g. John needs all home e-mail addresses and cell phone numbers from building leaders
- h. John and Andrea presented a slogan idea for our local
- i. John received a thank you note from board member, Donna Scrimale, for engraved pens given to board members for Board Appreciation Day
- j. John and Sue reported that in a Contract Comparison with other districts– we are in pretty good shape
- k.

## ***VI. Committee Reports***

### **A. Grievances – nothing to report**

### **B. Member Relations – Margie Thiele reported:**

- 1. WGTA will have a Christmas Food Drive
- 2. Suggested looking for needy organizations for our donations

### **C. Teaching Center – Sue Giannini reported:**

- 1. Six Technology Pet Projects approved
- 2. 7 Action Research projects approved
- 3. There will be ‘Flip Chart Training’ for Promethean Boards in December
- 4. Rob Leo has an online Blackboard course (3 credits) scheduled for Spring
- 5. Lots of money is available
- 6. Money is available for Building level PDC grants

### **D. Social Committee**

- 1. WGTA Christmas Party will be held Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at McNamaras

### **E. Superintendent’s Liaison – John Christian reported:**

- 1. December 2<sup>nd</sup> – ½ day idea will be discussed

### **F. OCTA – nothing to report**

### **G. Membership – nothing to report**

### **H. EDC**

- 1. December 8<sup>th</sup> is the first meeting – Brian has some things already
- 2. Hope to re-instate old process

### **I. Scholarship Committee – nothing to report**

***VII. Building Leader Reports***

1. Elementary - issues involving ½ days, Early Literacy, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade graduation at Onondaga Road
2. High School – Pat Andino reported that Principal’s Liaison was very productive  
Pat made a motion to nominate Sarah DeCapio for Shared Decision Making  
Patti Sullivan seconded - motion carried.

***VII. New Business***

1. No new business

***VIII. Meeting adjourned at 5:10***

Submitted by:

Patti Sullivan for  
Michele Lepak, WGTA secretary