

## LINDEN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

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Representative Council Minutes

June 12, 2003

**I. Call to Order at 2:00 PM:** The following units were represented: # 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, Soehl, McM, LHS, Academy, Special Services, AA Field, Custodial, Maintenance, and Special Subject Teachers.

**A. Introduction of Buddies:** Kathy Volker with Rep Diana Affsa,(LAST); Jenn Mazarella with Rep Mary Ann Rosivach,(SpServ); Nicole Zambell with Rep Margaret Novalany,(#4); Elaine Gutherz and Bunny Padula with Rep Tanya Cooper,(#2); Doreen Franco with Rep Pam Boright,(#10). Margaret and Nicole were the winners of "Goodie Bags".

**B. Announcements:** The following items were presented to council:

1. Copy of LEA Rep Council Minutes – 5/22/03
2. LEA Rep Council Agenda – 6/12/03
3. Superintendent's Liaison Committee Minutes – 5/19/03
4. NJEA – URGENT flyer – Protect Post-Retirement Medical Benefits
- 5."Highly Qualified" Teacher info
6. Liberty Home Mortgage flyer

**II. Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Tom Monaco to accept the minutes of Rep Council meeting of May 22, 2003, with a second by Guy Peluso. Council passed motion.

**III. Correspondence:** *Please send all correspondence to Betty Ogureck at Soehl 486-0550 or 486-7799. Email address ([bettyo47@yahoo.com](mailto:bettyo47@yahoo.com)) Please continue to contact Betty during the summer.* The following letters/notes were received: Thank you for expression of sympathy from Linda Drake; thank you to the LEA and Scholarship Committee for Scholarship selection from William Turbett; thank you for an invitation to LEA Luncheon from Kathy Gaylord. The following cards were sent: Joann Donaachy,(#5), death of uncle; Janet Drozdowski,(#6), marriage of daughter; Pat Evans,(#6), birth of grandson; Bev Poskay,(#6), illness; Christine Herbert,(#9), illness; Lisa Cahill,(#2), death of grandmother; Yvonne Padula,(#2),marriage of daughter; Tara McHugh,(#10),marriage(Oct); Lisa Ingate,(#10),marriage(July).

**IV. Treasurer's Report:** *Sally Stevens*

**A. Current Balances**

Checking:	\$ 32,707.27	Luncheon:	\$ 2278.00
Philanthropic:	\$ 5697.87	Money Market:	\$ 7,163.18

**V. Standing Committees:**

**A. Negotiations:**

1. *Cindy Apalinski*- Teachers/Sec/Paras: The Committee has met with NJEA Rep Mary Lou Mitchell to discuss surveys that will go out to the membership. Several members will be attending the Summer Leadership Workshop.
2. *Tom Monaco* - Custodian/Maintenance: The Committee also with Mary Lou to prepare surveys.

**B. Membership:** *Betty Ogureck* –**Members are reminded to inform Membership with a change of name, address or phone number.**

**C. Legislative/UCEA:** *Nancy Garafola* – Refer to NJEA flyer concerning Post-Retirement Benefits – Members are requested to send letters to Legislators

**D. Newsletter:** *Joanne Ferrara*- Final issue to be out before the end of the school year.

**E. Grievances:** *Jo Anne DiPaola* –There are no new grievances.

**F. Philanthropic:** *Virginia Milan* – The WALKATHON was a great success and thanks to

all who participated.

- G. Superintendent's Liaison:** *Nancy Gavan* – A thank you to all the concerns for the year.
- H. LEA Luncheon:** *Academy/LHS* – *Diana Affsa* – At this time there are 152 members attending. Suggestion was made to perhaps discontinue the Luncheon and return to an evening function.
- I. Scholarships:** *Margaret Novalany* – Names of those receiving scholarships will be listed in the June minutes.
- J. LPDC:** *Joann Bolduc* – The first two days back in September will be planned by the Supervisors and the Superintendent.
- K. Web Master:** *Sally Stevens* – No report

## **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

- A.** LEA Committee Surveys – Anyone wishing in becoming an active member of the Association is asked to forward the survey form to JoAnne.

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A.** Horizon Dental – There will be an informative meeting for all members at LHS on Tuesday, June 17, 2003, at 2PM. Please attend.
- B.** ESEA – No Child Left Behind – *Mary Lou Mitchell* – *Mary Lou* reported on all info concerning the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. The ESEA's Major components consist of 1. Testing 2. Adequate yearly progress (AYP) 3. Sanctions 4. Teacher quality 5. Paraprofessional quality 6. Unsafe schools 7. Social agenda. See your Rep for further information.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:40 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

*Elizabeth A. Ogureck*