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Representative Council Minutes

March 20, 2003

- I. Call to Order at 3:45 PM:** The following units were represented: # 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, Soehl, McM, LHS, AA Field, Custodial, Maintenance, and Special Subject Teachers.
- A. Introduction of Buddies:** There were no buddies in attendance.
- B. Announcements:** The following items were presented to council:
1. 3/20/03 Rep Council Agenda
 2. 2/20/03 Rep Council Minutes
 3. LEA Superintendent's Liaison Committee Meeting Minutes 3/10/03
 4. Legislative/UCEA – report from standing committee
 5. Borders Education Weekend Discount flyer
 6. GVS Optical Program flyer
- II. Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Len Sobel to accept the minutes of Rep Council meeting of 2/20/03, with a second by Bill Simonitis. Motion was passed by Council.
- III. Correspondence:** *Please send all correspondence to Betty Ogureck at Soehl 486-0550 or 486-7799.* Email address (bettyo47@yahoo.com) There was no correspondence received. The following cards were sent: Brenda Hall,(HS), death of father; Beth Ross, (Soehl/McM), death of father; Jan Flannegan,(McM), death of uncle; Lynn Beriont,(McM), death of great aunt; Leighton Sams,(McM),illness; Danie Orelie,(McM), death of grandmother; Eugene Chapman,(#1), death of aunt; Sue Bladzosky,(#8), illness; Lisa Cahill,(#2), death in family; Howard Schulz,(#2), death of grandfather; Danielle Pitts,(#2), death in family; Lisa Zucker,(#4), birth of son; Margaret Novalany,(#4), death of aunt; Sylvia Smith, (Soehl), death of grandmother; Michael Manning,(Soehl), death of father; Carol Schiffman,(Soehl), surgery; Dorothy Segarich,(Soehl/McM), illness.
- IV. Treasurer's Report: Sally Stevens**
- A. Current Balances**
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| Checking: \$ 28,671.77 | Luncheon: \$ 765.00 |
| Philanthropic: \$ 4148.47 | Money Market: \$ 7,158.40 |
- V. Standing Committees:**
- A. Negotiations:**
1. *Cindy Apalinski*- Teachers/Secretaries/Paraprofessionals: Applications have been submitted. A committee will be appointed by May 15, 2003.
 2. *Tom Monaco* - Custodian/Maintenance: Applications have been submitted and a committee will be formed.
- B. Membership:** *Betty Ogureck* – Please sign all NEW employees. Please check with building secretary for new additions to the staff. **Members are reminded to inform Membership with a change of name, address or phone number.**
- C. Legislative/UCEA:** *Nancy Garafola* - Legislative information was distributed.
- D. Newsletter:** *Joanne Ferrara*- Please submit all articles to Joanne (Media/McM). Articles reflecting “Read Across America” activities are requested.
- E. Grievances:** *Jo Anne DiPaola* –There are no new grievances.
- F. Philanthropic:** *Virginia Milan* – Virginia was absent, no report.
- G. Superintendent's Liaison:** *Nancy Gavan* – Minutes from the 3/10/03 meeting were distributed to the Membership. Concerns for the next meeting should be sent to Nancy Gavan (LHS) by **May 2, 2003.**
- H. LEA Luncheon:** *Academy/LHS* – Diana Affsa –Committee has booked NUNO's (Linden) for the Luncheon – 6/18/03.
- I. Scholarships:** *Margaret Novalany* – Scholarship forms are available at the office.
- J. LPDC:** *Joann Bolduc* –There are 2 paid (ELECTED) positions available on the

committee. Interested members are asked to contact Bill Simonitis (LHS).

K. Web Master: *Sally Stevens* – No report

L. Nominations: *Bill Simonitis* – Bill opened the floor for nominations for the position of Secretary. JoAnne DiPaola nominated Elizabeth Ogureck, second by Joann Bolduc. There were no other nominations. Nominations were then opened for the position of Treasurer; Sally Stevens nominated Judy Vacca second by Joann Bolduc. There were no other nominations. Nominations were opened for the position of Vice President; Cindy Apalinski nominated JoAnne DiPaola, second by Joann Bolduc. There were no other nominations. Nominations were opened for the position of President; JoAnne DiPaola nominated Cindy Apalinski, second by Esther Harris. There were no other nominations. Nominations were closed. A single vote was cast by Secretary Elizabeth Ogureck to accept the slate for the school year 2003-04.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A.** Party/Dennis Grieco – 3/21/03 – Amici's (4-9)
- B.** Linden BOE Elections – 4/15/03 – Programs in the buildings are encouraged in order to get the parents out to visit the schools and to VOTE.
- C.** NEA Delegate- New Orleans – Anyone interested in attending the convention, please inform JoAnne.
- D.** UCEA Nevele Workshop Weekend – Linda Ruppert reported that the workshop was well organized and informative.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A.** Report from BOE –Cindy informed Council of new hires and members retiring.
- B.** LEA/LINCS Walkathon – Meeting being held 3/20/03, report to council next month.
- C.** Linden PBA Local 342 - Golden Gloves- Bill Knapp, President of Local #42 has asked for our support for the annual Golden Gloves Night. Sue Coren motioned that the LEA continue their support by donating a TV for Raffle and a full page ad in the Souvenir Program. A second was given by Ginny Sleiger, motion was passed by council. The Golden Gloves Event will be held at Nuno's on April 25, 2003.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth A. Ogureck