

Nassau TRACT Teacher Center - Minutes
Regularly Scheduled Policy Board Meeting
Zoom
January 21, 2021

Present:

Nassau BOCES: K. Moleti; D. Schneider; **West Hempstead:** W. Heckler, **Garden City:** J. McAleese; **Oyster Bay:** A. McDonald, J. Iles; **New Hyde Park- GCP:** S. Schlueck, J. Scamell, **Carle Place:** D. Cecere, M. Donnelly; **E. Rockaway:** C. Castellano; H. Kreit, **Locust Valley:** S. Zindman; **Mineola:** E. Cormack; T. Campbell; **Adelphi:** A. Madray; **Diocese:** E. Guarneri; **TRACT: B. DelliCarpini;** L. Cohn; J. Ceriano.

Absent:

Hewlett-Woodmere: J. Brown; M. Shannon, **Plainview-Old Bethpage:** J. Graham, L. Markowitz-Able; **Sewanhaka:** M. Contarino; **West Hempstead:** A. Sheridan; **Garden City:** K. Justino;

1. Chairperson's Report:

- A) Call to Order: The Policy Board meeting was called to order at 4:00PM by Jim McAleese
- B) Call for Agenda items:
Motion: To accept the Agenda with flexibility (M.Donnelly/D. Schneider) Unanimous - Carried.
- C) Approval of Minutes November 19, 2020.
Motion: To accept November 19, 2020 Minutes. (K. Moleti/H. Kreit) Unanimous - Carried.

2. Financial Report: (J. Ceriano)

- A) Budget
Motion: To accept the Budget. (K. Moleti/D. Schneider) Unanimous - Carried.
- B) PAR 1
Motion: To accept the PAR 1. (J. Scamell / D. Schneider) Unanimous - Carried.
- C) PAR 2
Motion: To accept the PAR 2. (B. Cormack/K. Moleti) Unanimous - Carried.
- D) FS10A "1"
Motion: To accept the FS10A "1". (M. Donnelly/E. Cormack) Unanimous - Carried.

3. Directors Report (L. Cohn/B. DelliCarpini)

Les and Barbara brought members up to date with **the** many courses and webinars we have planned for ~~now and~~ the next few months. We are all working fast and hard to catch up on missed time this fall. There was a LINC meeting on January 7th with Dawn Graham updating Directors on the state of teacher centers and that we are to proceed as if we will receive 80-100% of our funding.

We have 6 courses running, filled to capacity and several upcoming webinars that are also filling up nicely. TRACT is focusing on addressing many of the current events we are all living through. Some of the topics are Diversity in Education, Essential Questions, Unconscious Bias, Designing and Using Authentic Tasks, Microsoft Teams, and How to Build a Community in a Hybrid Classroom, to name a few etc. In-service courses are also in high demand and are well attended.

- A) Professional Development Workshops

Jay McTighe – will present each of the 3Webinars

January 27, 2021 from 4:00 – 5:15PM

Designing and Using Authentic Tasks and Projects to Promote Meaningful Learning and Access What Matters Most.

February 10, 2021

Teaching for Deeper Learning

March 3, 2021

Essential Questions – Opening Doors to Student Understanding

Motion: To approve Jay McTighe at a cost of 1,000 per webinar, all inclusive for a total of \$3,000. (K. Moleti / D. Schneider) Unanimous -Carried.

February 2, 2021 from 4:00 – 5:15PM

Diversity, Inclusion & Equity in Education – Working to Provide an Inclusive Environment in the Classroom – Tracey Edwards will present.

Motion: To approve Tracey Edwards at a cost of \$500 for the webinar all inclusive.
(E.Cormack/M. Donnelly) Unanimous-Carried.

February 25, 2021 from 4:00 – 5:15PM

Virtual Professional Development from the Nassau County Museum of Art-**Heroines** of Abstract Expressionism – Women artists from the 1950's & 60' – Laura Lynch will present.

Motion: To approve The Nassau County Museum of Art at a cost of \$500 for the webinar all inclusive.
(D. Schneider / H. Kriet) Unanimous-Carried.

March 10, March 17, March 24, 2021

Elementary Math Workshops Grades 3-5 Three 90 minute Sessions

Motion: To approve Michael Joseph at a cost of \$225 per workshop for a total of \$675 all inclusive.
(C. Castellano/A. Madray) Unanimous-Carried.

D) Collegial Circles

Members were encouraged to pursue the creation of collegial circles; topics and content were discussed.

Motion: To approve “Virtual Survival in Education during Worldwide Pandemic”, Nassau BOCES, in the amount of \$575.00, for the purchase of 10 copies of “The Distance Learning Playbook K-12”, The stipend for the facilitator (Kate Moleti) will be \$250. (D. Schneider/ E. Cormack) Unanimous - Carried.

4. New Business

5. Adjournment - Motion: To adjourn at 5:30. (A. Madray/S. Zindman) Unanimous- Carried.

Justine Ceriano

Secretary – Justine Ceriano