

**Nassau TRACT Teacher Center - Minutes  
Regularly Scheduled Policy Board Meeting  
Hofstra University – Hagedorn Hall, Room 140  
January 19, 2023**

**Present:**

**Garden City:** J. McAleese, M. Calemno; **Oyster Bay:** A. McDonald, J. Iles; **New Hyde Park- GCP:** S. Schluack, L. Holzkamp; **Carle Place:** D. Cecere, M. Donnelly; **E. Rockaway:** C. Kavarsky; K. Kreit; **West Hempstead:** W. Heckler; **Hewlett-Woodmere:** M. Lett; **Locust Valley:** S. Zindman; **Diocese:** E. Guarnieri;; **TRACT: B.** DelliCarpini; L. Cohn; J. Ceriano.

**Absent:**

**Nassau BOCES:** K. Moleti; J. Barry; **West Hempstead:** L. Ferguson-Barakat; **Hewlett-Woodmere:** J. Brown; **Sewanhaka:** M. Contarino; **Mineola:** E. Cormack; **Plainview-Old Bethpage:** J. Graham, L. Markowitz-Able; **NCMA:** L. Lynch.

**1. Chairperson's Report:**

- A) Call to Order: The Policy Board meeting was called to order at 2:00 by Jim McAleese
- B) Call for Agenda items:  
**Motion:** To accept the agenda with flexibility (W. Heckler / A. McDonald) Unanimous - Carried.
- C) Approval of Minutes November 17, 2022.  
**Motion:** To accept November 17, 2022 Minutes. (A. McDonald/M. Donnelly) Unanimous – Carried.

**2. Financial Report: (J. Ceriano)**

- A) Budget  
**Motion:** To accept the Budget. (M. Lett / J. Iles) Unanimous - Carried.
- B) PAR 1  
**Motion:** To accept the PAR 1. (D. Cecere/S. Zindman) Unanimous -Carried.
- C) PAR 2  
**Motion:** To accept the PAR 2. (D. Cecere / J. Iles) Unanimous - Carried.
- D) Checking Account  
**Motion:** To accept the Checking Account. (J. Iles/M. Lett) Unanimous - Carried.

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

- A) Full Day Conference at Hofstra University  
TRACT hosted our second conference at Hofstra University on December 6<sup>th</sup> with Dr. Suzie Boss on Implementing Project Based Learning. With over 80 teachers in attendance she received very favorable evaluations. Follow up Webinars on Project Based Learning are on MLP.

On January 18<sup>th</sup> we hosted a full day conference on Education for Sustainability with Jaime Cloud, the conference was well received.

The Directors and Justine have scheduled over 56 Professional Learning Services in the past few months. With a wide range of conferences, webinars, book study groups and in-service courses, our events are attended by educators from all over New York.

- B) New Policy Board Member  
Barbara introduced Margaux Calemno our new Garden City Representative.
- C) PLS Workshop  
Erin Gruwell of the Freedom Writers will present a 90-minute webinar on March 13<sup>th</sup>.  
**Motion:** To approve The Freedom Writers Foundation at a cost of 1,500 all inclusive. (A. McDonald/J. Iles) Unanimous - Carried.

D) Collegial Circle

**Motion:** To approve “The EduProtocol Guide”, in the amount of \$300.00, for the purchase of 10 copies. (M. Lett/W. Heckler) Unanimous - Carried.

**Motion:** To approve \$250 for Theresa Teja who will facilitate the Collegial Circle. (S. Zindman/J. Iles) Unanimous - Carried.

**4. New Business**

A) **Director**

Barbara DelliCarpini our Co-Director announced that she will be retiring in June. After 40 years with Nassau TRACT Teacher Center she will help facilitate transitioning a new Co-Director. An Ad for the position was sent around to everyone and will be sent electronically tomorrow. Members were asked to post in their districts. Jim asked for volunteers to be on a Hiring Search Committee – Lara Holzcamp, Jen Iles, Ann McDonald and Caitlin Kavarsky as well as Jim, Sue and Justine will oversee interviews and make a recommendation to the Board.

**5. Old Business**

No old business

**5. Adjournment - Motion:** To adjourn at 3:30. (A. McDonald / J. Iles) Unanimous- Carried.

Justine Ceriano  
Secretary – Justine Ceriano