

**Nassau TRACT Teacher Center - Minutes
Regularly Scheduled Policy Board Meeting
Hofstra University – Hagedorn Hall, Room 278
November 14, 2019**

Present:

Garden City: J. McAleese; **Sewanhaka:** J. Gordon-Tennant, **Nassau BOCES:** K. Moleti, D. Witt;
New Hyde Park-GCP: S. Schlueck, J. Scamell; **Carle Place:** D. Cecere; **E. Rockaway:** H. Kreit;
Hewlett-Woodmere: M. Schwartz, J. Brown; **Plainview-Old Bethpage:** J. Graham;
Hofstra University: L. Dysart, B. Salemsen; **Diocese:** E. Guarnieri; **TRACT:** B. DelliCarpini; L. Cohn; J. Ceriano.

Absent:

West Hempstead: A. Sheridan; W. Heckler; **Oyster Bay:** A. McDonald, J. Iles; **Carle Place:** M. Donnelly;
E. Rockaway: C. Castellano; **Locust Valley:** S. Zindman; **Garden City:** K. Justino; **Mineola:** E. Cormack;
Plainview-Old Bethpage: L. Markowitz-Able; **Sewanhaka:** M. Contarino; **Hofstra University:** B. Salemsen;
Adelphi: A. Madray;

1. Chairperson’s Report:

- A) Call to Order: The Policy Board meeting was called to order at 2:00 by James McAleese, Chairperson.
- B) Call for Agenda items:
Motion: To accept the Agenda with flexibility (J. Gordon-Tennant/J. Brown) Unanimous - Carried.
- C) Approval of Minutes October 28, 2019.
Motion: To accept October 28, 2019 Minutes. (K. Moleti/J. Gordon-Tennant) Unanimous - Carried.

2. Financial Report: (J. Ceriano)

- A) Budget
Motion: To accept the Budget. (J. Gordon-Tennant/J. Brown) Unanimous - Carried.
- B) PAR 1
Motion: To accept the PAR 1. (K. Moleti/H. Kreit) Unanimous -Carried.

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

A) Conferences

Reminder - November 21, 2019 – Full Day Conference at Hofstra University
Empathy is Academic - over 125 teachers and administrators are registered from all over Long Island.

January 13, 2020 – Full Day Conference at Hofstra University
Lost at School with Dr. Ross Greene, Addressing the Needs of our Challenging Students. Enrollment for this conference is at 150., The conference will allow 200 teachers and administrators from all over New York and surrounding areas to attend. This conference supports the New York State initiative.

B) Professional Development Workshops

TRACT will be hosting a three hour Professional Development Workshop at Hofstra University Museum of Art this afternoon. The workshop will be given by Liz Dysart, the Education Director. The topic will be an Interdisciplinary Exploration of the Hofstra Museum of Art’s current exhibition “Environmental Impact.” Participants will receive professional development hours and explore how the arts support the new learning standards.

C) In-service Courses

Members were asked to send in course proposals for the winter/spring session. All courses will be updated on MLP in December.

D) Collegial Circle

Motion: To approve “Computational Thinking in the Early Childhood Classroom”, Carle Place School District, in the amount of \$325.00, for the purchase of copies of “Playground Programming and Computational Thinking in the Early Childhood Classroom”, The stipend for the facilitator of this collegial circle will be provided by the district. (K. Moleti / J. Gordon-Tennant) Unanimous - Carried.

E) Parent Workshop

Diane Cecere proposed an upcoming workshop for parents and teachers at the Carle Place School District. The presentation will give parents a view into the mathematical experiences of their children.

Motion: To approve Theresa Collalto, Nicole Santos and Jessica Racanelli an honorarium of \$100 each for preparation of materials to present “Home-School Parent Math Connection Workshop” all inclusive. (M. Schwartz/J. Brown) Unanimous - Carried.

4. Old Business

By-Laws

Discussion continued with changes and recommendations implemented at the last meeting. Members were asked to take the By-Laws with them to have a final read through, and vote in January.

5. Adjournment - Motion: To adjourn at 3:00. (M. Schwartz/J. Gordon-Tennant) Unanimous- Carried.

Justine Ceriano

Secretary – Justine Ceriano