

Agenda Rep Council: April 17, 2017 (4:00-6:00)

Present: Mark Janick, Kevin Courchesene, Michelle Killam, Chris Cosma, Noreen Harnett, Heather Goldstein, Leslie Pickman, Shannon Picard, Jay Efland, Mary Halzack, Kelly Meyer

Chris Cosma: Treasurer's Report

- Chris presented our SEA Profit & Loss report
- All records are current as of: 04/17/17

Michelle Killam: Secretary's Report & Membership Chair

- Our final roster will be reconciled before May 1 as required by the CEA.

Kevin Courchesne: VP's Report & PR&R Chair

- 10 min meetings
 - Special Ed Workshop on May 3 – 4PM – 6PM @ SMS
 - TOPIC: Understanding Your Legal Rights and Responsibilities in the Special Education Process
 - Representatives will get Mark the number of attendees from their school.
 - Degrees Not Debt Workshop – May 18TH at SHS - 4PM
 - This workshop will explain how to get rid of debt from college loans for you or your children.
 - Please announce our General Meeting – May 15 at the Shade Bar in Windsor Locks at the DoubleTree Hotel @ 4PM

Mark Janick: President's Report

- CEA/NEA update: Teachers pension, budgets
- PD special education from CEA May 3, 4:00 PM Middle School

- DCF
 - Teachers can lose their license because of a DCF issue.
 - Teachers can be called to be a witness at a DCF trial.
 - SEA and CEA will support you all the way.
 - Degrees not Debt May 18 High School 4:00
 - NEA Members Benefit
 - new travel program
 - car discounts
 - COSTCO membership through NEA gives back more than the membership cost
 - PDEC: Update defining PLCs, Prep Time, Department Meetings, Common Planning, and Grade Level Meetings. (handouts)
 - Talent Ed: End of year
 - Nonrenewal teachers
 - Early Release day discussion calendar update
 - Last day of school
 - 6/16/17
 - Early Release for Students
 - Full day for Faculty
 - Board of Ed budget
 - SEA update emails with CEA (handout)
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- General Meeting 5/15

- Elections will be on May 15 at our general meeting at the Shade Bar in Windsor Locks at the DoubleTree Hotel
 - Chris will email all with a timeline and representatives will post information in faculty rooms and mention this at their 10 Minute Meeting.
 - All information will be on the website.
 - New meetings next year for SEA
 - Building 10 min meetings a must at least once a month!!!!!! • Super meeting?
 - Building Administration meetings?? (chain of command)
- Check our website www.suffieldteachers.org often for updates
- NEXT MEETING: (5/15 -general, 6/5)

Special Education Workshop Professional Development

May 3, 4:00-6:00 PM @ Suffield Middle School

MYTHBUSTERS: UNDERSTANDING YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROCESS

This workshop focuses on the laws of special education with a particular emphasis on regular and special education teachers' rights and responsibilities when participating in the special education process. Participants will learn what the law requires of them as well as what they can and cannot do in such areas as PPT meetings, drafting IEPs and accommodating students in the regular education environment. The impact of special education laws on teachers' working conditions will be integrated throughout the workshop.

Length: 2 hours Presenter: Robyn Kaplan-Cho, Esq. - CEA