

**Springfield Education Association  
Legislative Board Meeting  
Thursday, November 17, 2011**

**Meeting Minutes**

**I. Call to order at 4:20**

**II. Review Minutes from October 20, 2011- Approved**

**III. Vice President's Report by Peter Reese**

Teachers need to document additional, required responsibilities and forward to SEA.  
This data will be helpful to move forward negotiations.

**IV. Committee Reports**

**A. Bargaining** report by Arlindo Alves

Update on current negotiation's in Table Talk  
ILS will work additional days like counselors

**B. Grievance** report by Arlindo Alves

3 Grievances are currently being reviewed by the team

**C. Committee on Political Education** report by Burt Freedman

Topics in state politics  
Pension Bill passed  
Credit for part time presidents  
Revenue will be an issue

**D. Professional Development** report by Mary Chamberlin

Topics of meeting were Aug. PD, orientation for new teachers and the calendar for the next school year.

**E. Sick Bank-Written** report

**F. Superintendent's Report-** no report

**G. New Teacher Committee-** no report

**H. City Wide School Centered Decision Making Team-** Informational flyer and report by Dawna Jenne.

**I. Minority Affairs Committee** –report by Marguerite Foster Franklin

MTA Ethnic Minority Affairs Committee Conference  
December 2-3, 2011  
Natick, MA

**J. Health and Safety Committee-** no report

**K. Election Committee-** no report

**L. MTA Board of Directors-** No report

Committee chair will be attending a meeting to discuss the pension bill, Ohio's victory over their union busting politician, and the new evaluation system, and strategies to increase revenue.

**Motion to approved Committee Reports- Approved**

**V. President's Report**

- A. Communications Chart presentation by Mary Chamberlin.**
  - B. NEA Foundation Grant-** Expanding to include two additional schools.  
Schools need to follow the application process and follow guidelines required by the grant.  
Current schools Dorman, DeBerry, Boland, Sumner Ave.
  - C. Legislative Board Training** is scheduled to take place on March 23-24, 2012 at UMASS.  
SEA is planning to expand the training to members at various levels of interest in the Association.
  - D. Evaluation Training-** Looking for members' interest in attending a Sat. workshop to review the new Teacher Evaluation.
  - E. Storm make up-** Options put forth by Springfield School Committee  
Make up days during
    - 1. Feb. Vacation and Good Friday
    - 2. Feb. Vacation, April Vacation and Good Friday
    - 3. SaturdaysLobby DESE to move the testing calendar back 15 days to account for the storm.  
Also Email, call, write Springfield School committee members
  - F. February L Board** is being changed from Feb. 9 to Feb. 16, 2012
  - G. Buildings** need to turn in Association Rep Election Forms and building lists.
- Motion to approve The Presidents Report-** Approved

**VI. Recommendations from the Executive Board – none**

**VII. Issues (attached)**

**VIII. Treasurer's Report – no report**

**IX. Unfinished Business – none**

**X. New Business – none**

**XI. Motion to Adjourn at 5:45PM**

**Submitted by  
Donna Kells Wagner  
E Board Member**