

# **New York State Retired School Administrators and Supervisors**

Meeting of the Executive Board – June 22, 2011  
Holiday Inn– Plainview, NY

**Present:** Gene Goldwasser, Mario DiSciullo, Ken Forman, Pat Galaskas, Elliott Kigner, David Long, Stu Mortman, Joe Quinn, Stan Opas, Bill Sigelakis, John Wallace

**1.0 Welcome:** Gene Goldwasser, President, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

**2.0 Minutes:** The minutes of the March 31, 2011 meeting were reviewed and accepted. Moved by Mario DiSciullo, seconded by David Long. Passed.

### **3.0 Treasurer's Report:**

Gene presented the report prepared by Jack Zamek. Account balances as of May 31, 2011:

Regular savings - \$3.20 not interest bearing

Share checking - \$2,885.71

Money Market - \$7,044.93

1 year Certificate of Deposit - \$4,431.92 @ 1.04% maturing 10/27/11

All accounts are presently held at the Teachers' Federal Credit Union

Total = \$14,365.76

Disbursements for the June luncheon will include a subsidy of \$8 per attendee. Because the hotel requires a "minimum" we will also pay for 4-5 "phantom" attendees.

**4.0 Correspondence:** None.

**5.0 Announcements:** None.

### **6.0 Committee Reports:**

**6.1 Benefits:** No report.

**6.2 Legislation:** Stu Mortman stressed the need to be pro-active rather than defensive and to have talking points ready to respond to "attacks" in the press or misunderstandings that emerge in informal conversations. The focus group began to compile a series of bulleted speaking points.

**6.2.1** Stu contacted someone in the governor's office who indicated a lack of pressure for a constitutional convention if the economy continues to improve.



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**6.4.1** There is a particular need for informative, factual articles to balance more “creative” pieces. The topics discussed as part of the legislative committee report were cited as potential themes for articles.

**6.4.2** Research topics would also be of interest. It was suggested that graduate students’ papers for courses might be a source. (Students could be offered a small stipend for their work.)

**6.4.3** In addition, doctoral dissertation abstracts might be a source. There was interest in establishing an annual Dissertation Award where the winner would submit a piece for publication in our newsletter.

**6.5 Publicity:** No report.

## **7.0 Old Business**

**7.1 Luncheon Speaker:** Joe Quinn arranged for Joseph Galante, Assistant Comptroller in Tom DiNapoli’s office.

## **8.0 New Business**

**8.1 Executive Board Elections:** To be conducted at the luncheon general meeting following this Executive Board meeting.

**8.2 Member Directory:** Pat Galaskas will prepare “camera ready” copy in an 8½ x 10 inch format with a contrast color cover and a fold for mailing labels. Bill Sigelakis will provide names and addresses and Gene will advise re: format, etc. Our last newsletter asked members to contact the CAS office or Gene if there was information (e.g. e-mail address or phone number) that they don’t want to be published. To date Gene knew of no one who opted out. We will target distribution for the directory at the end of August.

**8.3 Issues for Discussion:** Covered in the Legislative Committee report.

## **9.0 Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 28 at 10:00 a.m. at the CAS office.**

The full 2011-12 schedule of Executive Board meetings will be as follows:

Wednesday, September 28, 2011

Wednesday, December 21, 2011

Wednesday, April 4, 2012

Wednesday, June 20, 2012

**10.0 Adjournment:** at 12:00 noon. Moved by Ken Forman, seconded by Bill Sigelakis, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pat Galaskas