

**Broward Teachers Union Executive
Board Meeting Date May 13, 2015
BTU Union Hall, Tamarac, FL
BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

	Present	Absent		Present	Absent
S. Glickman, Esq. President	x		Kalebra Jacobs-- -Reed FIRST VICE PRESIDENT	x	
Sec/Treasure H. Krantz	X		V. Cruz FIRST VICE PRESIDENT	x	
B. Kemp FIRST VICE PRESIDENT	x		T. Kapela FIRST VICE PRESIDENT		x
C. Fischer PRESIDENT Retirees	X				
S. Atkins	x		S.Pignato	x	
K. Blanks	x		T. Preuss	x	
B. Fischer	x		C. Russell		x
A.Burgess	x		H. Russell	x	
A. Fusco	x	6:00 x	L. Sklar		x
M. Houck	x		D. Theaman	x	
A. Jablonowitz	x		C. Townley	x	
R. Boodloo	x		T. Victor		x
			G. Waller	x	
			B. Warren	x	

Absent

A Fusco

L. Sklar

C. Russell

T. Victor

Proxy

T. Preuss

H.Krantz

K. Jacobs-Reed

B. Fischer

MINUTES OF THE May 13, 2015

MEETING OF THE BROWARD TEACHERS UNION EXECUTIVE BOARD

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Broward Teachers executive board was called to order on Wednesday, May 13, 2015, at 4:50 PM at the BTU union Hall the Pres. being in chair and the secretary/treasurer present.

Approval of April 15, 2015 Executive Board meeting minutes.

The minutes of the April 15, 2015 executive board meeting were approved as corrected-

Financial Report-- BTU accountant Jennifer Reeves, CPA

Ms. Reeves reviewed the financial statements as of March 2015(see handout).

Budget Committee-Hal Krantz Chairman of the Budget Committee.

The report included the review of the proposed budget for 2015 2016.

Hal Krantz by direction of the Budget Committee ~~the role that~~ moved that the proposed budget for the 2015-2016 be adopted.

Pres. Glickman then opened the debate on all sections of the proposed budget and at the conclusion of the debate, the budget would be considered as an entirety.

With the assistance of the budget committee chair and the BTU accountant, the 2015-2016 proposed budget was reviewed in its entirety section by section by the executive board of BTU. At the conclusion of the review, the vote to adopt the budget was held.

The budget was approved by a vote of 15 yes and 8 no.

Presidents report- Sharon Glickman, Esq.

Pres. Glickman did a recap of the students training that was held on May 10 at the Signature Grand and Davie, Florida.

Reported that the special executive board meeting on May 20, 2015 would now be a consideration of the changes in the BTU Constitution and bylaws.

Martha Houck moved to postpone the meeting to go over the Constitution & Bylaws to June 10, 2015 Discussion followed. 13 yes-8 no, motion passed

Hal Krantz-moved that a special meeting to discuss Constitution & Bylaws be called for May 26, 2015 Discussion followed. 14 yes—six no, the motion passed.

COPE Chairperson---Susan Pignato moved to donate \$500 to Nan Rich's campaign for County Commission. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

First Vice Presidents Report—Kalebra Jacobs—Reed

Reported that the BTU has over 1200 new members since the beginning of the year. She also reported that Gloria Waller has recruited five new members.

New Business

Martha Houck moved to investigate the feasibility & cost of creating members only section be added to Union website. The motion was approved by unanimous vote. The chief of staff will report at the June meeting.

Good and Welfare.

Salaries were discussed and how they are not even keeping up with cost-of-living at all steps on the salary scale. Teachers are going through hardship due to the reduced step movement, which has resulted in thousands of dollars being lost in income.

TSP VP Cruz reported on Superintendent Runcie reversing his stance on reducing the TSP staff after acknowledging that once the bond issue was passed no reductions would be needed.(See attached information)

It was reported that during testing students could change font size, which can lead to cheating within the road and put teachers in jeopardy.

It was asked if field staff have cell phones so that members could keep in touch with them. The chief of staff reported that all requests for staff members come through the main office of the BTU, which is forwarded, to the field staff.

A complaint was made to PERK which included a member without their permission, which was very upsetting to that member.

Bullying in schools continues and it was reported that some stewards have become allies and administrators making matters worse at those schools. It was also requested that there be guidelines that stewards must adhere too. To keep their positions at the schools.

Adjournment:

The meeting ~~was~~ adjourned at 8:35 PM

/s/ Hal Krantz

Secretary/Treasurer

Approved:

(Initials / Date)

Attached:

The meeting agenda for May 13, 2015

Professional Support Handout

Balance Sheet as of-March 2015

Statement of Activities, Budget Versus Actual, July- March 2015

Proxies

Sign-in sheets