

**Broward Teachers Union Executive
Board Meeting Date April 13, 2016
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				
K. Blanks		x	K. Minchew	X	
R. Boodhoo	X		S. Nunez	X	
A. Burgess		x	T. Preuss	X	
M. Decker	X		L. Ruido	X	
A. Fusco	X		R. Soffer	x	
M. Houck	X		C. Townley	X	
A. Jablonowitz	X		B. Thompson		x
J. King		x	W. Vazquez	X	
D. Mahoney	x		G. Waller		X
			B. Warren	x	

Absent

J. King
B. Thompson
K. Blanks
A. Burgess
T. Kapela

Proxy

A. Fusco
K. Jacobs Reed
V. Cruz
K. Minchew
D. Mahoney

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Call to Order.

The regular monthly meeting of the Broward Teachers Union Executive Board was called to order on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 4:45 PM at the BTU Union Hall, the president being in the chair and the secretary-treasurer present.

Reading and Approval of the Minutes.

Minutes of the BTU Executive Board regular meeting held on March 16, 2016 in open session were approved as corrected.

Special Order-Steward/ Member Concerns.

- VAM scores.
- Election ballot issue, members not receiving a ballot.
- Building Stewards being harassed.
- A+ money distribution.

Reports of Officers, Boards [BTU Staff] and Standing Committees.

President's report-President Glickman reported on the vermin in the building that were discovered after the spring break. President Glickman reported that we now have a new vendor for our building, Truly Nolan Exterminators. They have been overseeing the eradication problem for the past six weeks. The roofer was called in to examine any entryways into the building and wall holes were closed. The landscaper cleaned the trees around the building.

Cost of sanitizing the building could run as high as \$16,000. It was asked that we get clarification from the FEA as to what procedures of sanitizing the building would be required to meet their recommendations.

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Matt Decker **moved to grant management an amount not to exceed \$20,000 to proceed with the collection of at least two bids for the sanitation of the BTU office.** The motion was approved 14 yes—6 no. Matt Decker volunteered to investigate companies to secure the best possible price to complete the sanitation of the BTU office building.

R. Soffer **moved that we accept the meeting dates of May 18, 2016, June 8, 2016 for the next two executive board meetings.** The motion passed 23 yes, zero no.

Executive Session.

President Glickman announced that the meeting will move into executive session to discuss a confidential issue.

Hal Krantz moved **to discuss the prior confidential issue in an open meeting.** The motion was passed unanimously by a vote of 23 in favor and zero opposed.

The president informed the board members that the attorney had drafted a statement reflecting BTU's position on the Pat Santeromo case. The letter was read aloud for all board members to hear.

R. Soffer **moved to permit President Glickman to read the aforementioned statement at the Friday sentencing hearing on behalf of the BTU's members and executive board.** The motion passed 22 yes—1 no.

First Vice President's Report

First Vice President Kalebra Jacobs-Reed reported on recruitment and informed the executive board that this year's membership will exceed last year's numbers.

Financial Reports – Jennifer Reeves, CPA

BTU accountant, Jennifer Reeves reviewed the financial reports from July 2015 through February 2016.

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It was again suggested that the BTU look into the local landscaper who is willing to trade lawn maintenance for parking which could account for a savings to the BTU.

Chief of Staff report-Brenda Emerson Alford

The chief of staff was not present but the report on negotiations is attached.

Constitution and Bylaws & Standing Rules Committee Report

The proposed amendment to the bylaws regarding retirees voting was referred to the Retirees for their input.

Internal Budget Committee Report

The 2016-2017 proposed budget was reviewed by the executive board and suggestions were made for changing line items which will be forwarded to the budget committee and considered.

Good and Welfare

President Glickman reviewed the Magistrate process and an expected timeline which might accompany that process. If the process is extended to the limit it could mean that teachers will not see any proposed salary increase until June or July. The school board might be willing to extend the process so that the open hearing will occur after the end of the school year whereby fewer teachers will attend.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

/s/ Hal Krantz

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Secretary/Treasurer

Approved:

(Initials / Date)

Attachments

- Meeting agenda
- Financial Reports
- Negotiations Update Report