

BUP Union Updates

October 2009

The following is just a quick update of what your BUP Officers and Delegates have been doing this fall.

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Co-President

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Co-President

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Vice President

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Secretary

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Treasurer

1. We have continued work on issues related to mileage and paperwork needed to submit for mileage reimbursement. There is currently a small group piloting some changes.
2. We have been encouraging our membership to be involved on BOCES-wide committees. These committees are filling up. This is a chance to have a voice in changes, including Technology, Minigrant, and BOCES Steering Committee.
3. Officers set up and conducted introductory delegate training with Shelly Clements, our NYSUT Representative.
4. We have continued work on the third year of the 3-year implementation plan for APPR, a program to make teacher evaluations both compliant with State Ed Law and meaningful to staff.
5. We have continued to respond to members who needed advice or representation at meetings.
6. We have continued weekly meetings with Sheila Wallenhorst and monthly meetings with Dan White to share members' concerns.
7. We have received many member concerns about sick time, such as having to take a half sick day if arriving 10-15 minutes late or having to leave 10-15 minutes early for medical reasons. We have met with both Sheila and Dan on this issue. The inconsistencies among programs are troublesome. *We believe we will have to bring this issue to the table during our next negotiations. If you are told that you have to take a half sick day, please do not come in during that time.*

Thanks for all you have done to get the year off to a flying start!!

Cindy, Dave, Nancy, Admiral, and Deidra

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