

COUNCIL OF DELEGATES

AGENDA
February 25, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

TREASURER'S REPORT

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Presentation – Mike Deely, NYSUT Regional Director

- BTF/NYSUT Action Plan

B. By-Law Change – When quorum present

C. Buffalo Board of Education Elections

- Interviews next week
- Timing of and BTF statements – candidates and others (*iBuffalo News*) in opposition to us are just waiting for endorsements and statements in favor of candidate by BTF or members to use against pro-student teacher candidates.
- Will have special PAC/Executive Committee meeting for endorsements.

D. Negotiations --

- BTF letter - ([Document I](#))
- District Letter ([Document II](#))
- BTF letter to PERB ([Document III](#))
- BTF requests PERB intervention – will use in I. P.
- I. P. negotiations – Brief being prepared. The decision will have a major impact on negotiations.

E. Board of Regents –

We started with the removal of Regent Bennett and said we will work to ensure that pro-student/teacher Regents are elected. NYSUT, in coordination with other locals and organizations, replaced three (3) of the protesting Regents. The majority and, soon to be new Chancellor, are anti-test and punish Regents.

F. Opt-out Resolution adopted by BTF Executive Committee – ([Document IV](#))

- The last resolution was for a NYSUT position – this one reaffirms BTF's position.

G. Receivership –

- Judge assigned Attorney General requested and was granted an extension until **April 22, 2016**.
- With new Regents, we will be advocating for ending it.
- "Conciliation" remaining fine schools.

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H. NYSUT/BTF Lobby Day in Albany – Hundreds from Across New York State

Some issues:

- Funding – Buffalo is owed over \$1 Billion.
- Receivership – repeal the laws.
- APPR – end State mandates – let locals negotiate evaluations.
- Charter Schools – end disparity, ability to remove students, separate source of funding.
- Early Childhood education – fully fund PK and K.
- Class size - targeted funding to reduce class sizes to 15 students.

I. Previous Motion on Receivership passed by Executive Committee

Not voted on -- lack of Quorum.

J. OTHER LATE ITEMS

K. OLD BUSINESS

L. ADJOURNMENT