

President's Report

December 2021

- 1. Correspondence
- a. From the VSCHSD requesting permission for sixth period assignments;
- b. To the VSCHSD granting permission for sixth period assignments;
- c. To the VSCHSD concerning Grievance for Parent Teacher Conferences
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- e. To the VSCHSD, District(s) 13, 24, and 30 request for information regarding negotiations

2. Negotiations

District 13 Teaching Assistants continue and will meet on December 22, 2021. The EOP group is reviewing a written MOA for ratification. The Classroom Aides in District 13 are preparing to enter negotiations. According to the Constitution of the VSTA, the negotiations team for the Teaching Unit have been established and have been listed on the VSTA website. Team members attended an informative NYSUT workshop, *Trends in Negotiations*. It provided an overview of the process, information about recent settlements and discussion with other locals. The Negotiations Committee will be preparing a survey for distribution to the membership in January. Additionally, a representative group will be formed to review survey results, represent district specific issues, and help formulate proposals. Further information will be provided in January.

High School District : 4 members (one per building)

District 13:2 members from district District 24:1 member from district District 30:1 member from district

3 Grievance

There is currently a grievance concerning Parent Teacher Conferences in the VSCHSD which has been denied at the local stage and will be proceeding to the District Stage.



- 4 .Michelle Kennedy, NYSUT Member Services, gave a brief presentation on benefits available to VSTA members. Unit leaders have been asked to schedule opportunities at future unit meetings.
- 7. Retirement Seminar for TRS members has been planned for January 11, 2021. Please mark your calendars. This training is beneficial to teacher members at all stages of their career. Members must register to attend by using the link on the VSTA Website: www.vsteachers.org



In solidarity,
Noele Villa, President
Ginger Calderaro, Vice-President
Ellyn Fitzgerlad, Vice- President
John Reece, Vice-President
Ron Rini, Treasurer

