



General Membership Meeting January 9, 2025 Minutes

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1. Welcome
2. Treasurer's report: Current balance is \$11,017.63
3. Sector Announcements: January Meetings are cancelled
4. District Plans for extenuating circumstances
 - a. There was a discussion about what districts are doing in terms of creating guidelines for extenuating circumstances when students would be exempt from taking a Regents exam in a specific subject. This also applies going back to the 2019 cohort so that there might be students who are now eligible to graduate. NYSED has indicated that they will not be issuing formal guidance. The general consensus was that districts do not want to be the arbiter of these decisions. BOCES will organize a gathering where Assistant Superintendents can come together and discuss further.
5. Member Items
 - a. BOCES Updates
 - i. C&I update:
 1. Diana Beltroni briefly discussed the Instructional Best Practices Workshop that was held last week. The resources are available at this padlet: <https://padlet.com/dbeltrani1/nysed-pk-3-literacy-instructional-best-practices-vewu6yl31xdvzpkb> She is available to support districts in reviewing their literacy practices. The slide deck from the presentation will be posted shortly.
 2. Dr. Carrie Lee Grant reviewed the upcoming workshops being offered by the Nassau BOCES Office of Equity, Inclusivity, and Belonging. The links will be sent with the emailed minutes of this meeting.
 3. Shaundrika Langley-Grey explained that NYSED will be introducing Numeracy Briefs on February 27th. There will also be DEI Briefs released on March 19th. More information to follow on both initiatives. On January 23rd, NYSED Assistant Commissioner for Accountability, Theresa Billington will speak at BOCES about testing, accountability and ESSA. The Sector meetings will be cancelled so that members may attend this meeting. Link to [REGISTER](#)
 - b. Book Club sign up: <https://forms.office.com/r/JdqVZBwPvy> First meeting to be held virtually Tuesday, January 28th at 8 am. The book will be *The Anxious Generation*
 - c. Collegial Circle Presentation Schedule: March - Science of Reading, April - Blue Ribbon Commission, May - Using AI in Education
 - d. NADCON Planning Committee Update:
 - i. Reminders: 1. Invite any Suffolk colleagues; 2. Bring a colleague
 - ii. We have many sponsors this year and are very excited about our speakers.
 - e. Nassau Community College and Dual Enrollment Courses

- i. It was explained that since 1996, there has been a policy where a SUNY school in the geographical location area as the requesting high school has right of first refusal over dual enrollment courses. In the past, districts have been able to offer dual enrollment courses with SUNY Farmingdale and NCC has never exercised its right to disallow this. Currently, NCC has now changed its practices and is refusing to allow dual enrollment courses with other SUNY schools. Courses already in existence are grandfathered in but no new courses will be approved. The law pertaining to this will be attached to the minutes.
- f. For the Good of the Order
- g. Collegial Circle breakouts: Members of the different Collegial Circle groups met for a few minutes to organize. We are still in need of a leader to volunteer to facilitate the AI in Education group

2024-25 CALENDAR

September 2024 • 18, General Meeting, 8:30 AM** • 26, Sector Meetings, 8:30 AM October 2024 • 10, General Meeting, 8:30 AM • 24, Sector Meetings, 8:30 AM November 2024 • 7, General Meeting, 8:30 AM • 21, Sector Meetings, 8:30 AM December 2024 • 13, Holiday Breakfast, 8:30 AM, TBD January 2025 • 9, General Meeting • 23, Sector Meetings	February 2025 • 6-7, NADCON IV Tentative March 2025 • 6, General Meeting 8:30 AM • 20, Sector Meetings, 8:30 AM April 2025 • 10, General Meeting, 8:30 AM • 24, Sector Meetings, 8:30 AM May 2025 • 8, General Meeting, 8:30 AM • 29, Sector Meetings, 8:30 AM June 2025 • 13, Year End Luncheon, 1:30 PM (tentative)
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** September general meeting to be held at Nassau BOCES GC Tech, 150 Abbey Lane, Levittown. All other general meetings to be held at Nassau BOCES Lupinskie Center, 1 Merrick Avenue, Westbury, NY 11590, Conference Rooms 1/2/3

