

A MONTHLY REPORT TO MEMBERSHIP

February, 2017

RETIREE SEMINAR (ERS)

The retiree seminar for ERS members will take place on March 16, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. in the Howell Road School. A light supper will be available. Please pre-register with your Unit Leader by March 9th.

OPT OUT

Two meetings were held with our parent partners. Plans have been finalized. Any member interested in assisting should contact their unit leader.

AFFILIATION STUDY

The officers have held discussions regarding the feasibility of continuing affiliation with NYSUT. The concerns have been widely discussed with the Unit Leaders and shared with the membership in the President's Report. In addition a meeting was held with NYSUT President Karen Magee, the outcome of which has been shared. It is anticipated that a report will come out late winter or early spring. VSTA holds an ANNUAL AFFILIATION REFERENDUM each May. The course of the organization will be directed by the outcome of the membership vote.

ELECTIONS/AFFILIATION REFERENDUM

Notifications regarding the elections and affiliation referendum have been distributed to each member. Any questions should be directed to the Elections Chair, Denise Phillips at the VSTA office (516) 825-6332.

DRIVER SAFETY

The VSTA is co-sponsoring a defensive driving course to be held on March 6th and 7th at Central High School. A flyer was distributed. Enrollment is limited. Pre-register prior to March 2nd with your Unit Leader.

CALENDAR

There is a strong possibility that the school calendar for '17-'18 will include a pre-labor day start or a shortened winter recess. A member survey is being conducted.

APPOINTMENTS

A number of VSTA positions are subject to appointment. They are subject to Regular Review. Unit leaders have been informed of the process which also includes Welfare Fund Trustees.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee has met and an additional meeting has been planned. The Finance Committee will recommend the '17-'18 Budget, dues schedule and comment on other items of financial concern to VSTA. When completed the report will be presented to the Executive Board. As with any Executive Board meeting, all members are invited to attend. The date will be announced upon the completion of the report.

