

**West Genesee / Syracuse University Teaching Center**  
**Directing Council Minutes**  
**April 12, 2021**

**Board Members:**

*Teachers Present: Abbott, Catalino, Ciarla, Finn, Kupinski, Marsh, Newvine, Personte, Uy*

*Others Present: Baca-Gartner, Clark, Kastick, Leo, Simmons*

*Quorum?: YES (14 of 24 members present. 9 of 14 present are teachers.)*

*Others present (non-voting): Kesel - Director*

Chairperson Uy opened the meeting at 3:30 pm.

1. Approval of the March 2021 Minutes
  - a. Mrs. Catalino motioned for the approval of the March 2021 Directing Council minutes. Mrs. Personte seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
2. 2020-2021 Budget
  - a. Director Kesel shared that NYS TEacher Centers are included in the 2022 NYS budget (at current funding levels). We have money left to spend in this year's grant.
3. Syracuse University Graduate Vouchers
  - a. Mr. Newvine motioned that the Center's practice to reserve vouchers for potential graduate courses offered by the Center be eliminated since we no longer offer courses. Mrs. Catalino seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
  - b. Mr. Newvine motioned to approve awarding 19 individual voucher credits for Summer and Fall 2021. Mrs. Personte seconded the motion. The motion passed 12-0-2 (Newvine and Uy abstained).
4. Professional Learning Plan
  - a. The Strategic Planning Team will meet April 19 to finalize 2021-22 Focus Areas. Then the PLP will be revised to include the Focus Areas.
5. 2021-22 Continuation Grant application
  - a. Director KEsel shared the work plan matrix and asked the Council to consider 1-3 objectives. He reminded the Council that one of the objectives is about Mentoring. He suggested looking at social emotional learning and diversity, equity, and inclusivity as objectives. The Council will revisit in May.
6. Collegial Cafe
  - a. Final projects are coming in. Cafe will be virtual this year. Projects are archived on the Teaching Center's google site.
7. Adjournment
  - a. Mr. Newvine motioned to adjourn the meeting at 3:50 PM. Mrs. Abbott seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.