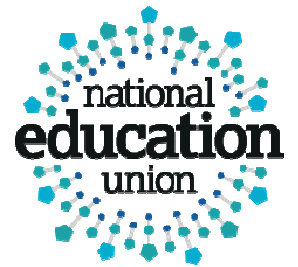




District Meeting



Hackney District NEU

Crumbling schools, low pay, underfunding, school closures...

Defending education: what next for the NEU?

The crises with RAAC has exposed the lack of investment in our schools. We discuss what our campaigning priorities will be for the coming year in terms of pay, funding workload and health and safety



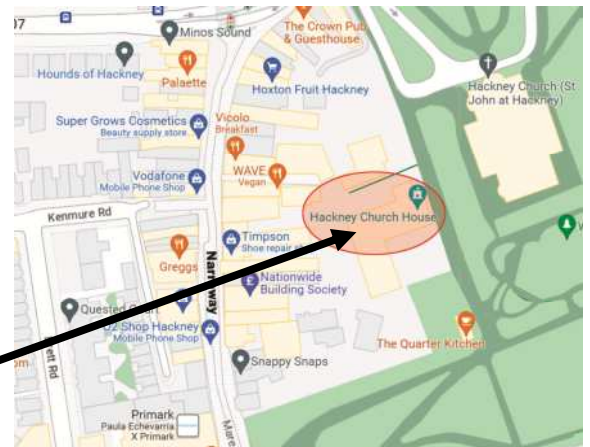
Monday 18th September @5pm

All education workers who are members of the NEU are welcome

Hackney Church House

1 Lower Clapton Rd E8 1FX

(opp St John at Hackney Church, just off the narrowway between Santander and Vicolo down Dispensary Lane)



Childcare expenses and cab fares for groups to the meeting will be paid

Agenda

1. Request for Suspensions to Standing Orders
2. Report back from decisions made at previous meeting
3. Fixed business (see above)
4. Secretary's and Officers' report. Nominations for committee
5. Motions
6. AOB



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Minutes: Hackney NEU GM – 19th June 2023

Request for suspension-none

Minutes from previous meeting and matters arising.-agreed, no matters arising

Fixed business-School Closures crisis in London

Executive member James Kerr led a discussion on why it is happening and what we can do to stop it.

Officers' reports

Dave Davies and others updated us on the campaign, school mergers and closures

Motion 1 Hardship Fund

HNEU agree to transfer a further £5000 to the Hardship fund to support teachers wanting to strike but having additional hardship that makes this difficult. **Passed**

Motion 2 Trust Fund

The pay campaign has made it obvious that many teachers are struggling financially and we have signposted some of our members to this fund which supports members.

HNEU agree to donate £200 to this fund. **Passed**

Motion 3 Supporting Trans Rights

Hackney NEU condemns the proposed reform, by the EHRC, (of the 2010 Equality Act that discriminates against a small group of the population)

Hackney NEU resolves to:

Ask members to individually write to the local MPs and any other MP to point out how discriminatory this proposal is and that the Act should remain as it is

Request that the National NEU condemn the proposed changes and ask them to write to the relevant government bodies to withdraw the change which discriminates a small group of people that I refer to as non-cisgender

Make a donation Trans Pride, July 8th

There was some discussion around this motion but it was **passed** by the majority.

AOB

Send a message of support to those campaigning to support refugees and in particular highlighting the most recent report on the hundreds of refugees who drowned in a boat off the Greek coast.

Motions for GM 18/09/23

Hackney NEU notes

The closure of the building repair programme by the Tory government in 2010 has led to over 100 schools not being able to open this term due to the presence of RAAC

Recent school funding has not made up for the cuts made during austerity

Lack of funding plus falling rolls has led to a crisis of school closures particularly in London

The pay award of 6.5 percent whilst being 3 percent more than what the government wanted to offer is still below inflation

According to the NFER teachers would need a pay award of 16 percent to bring us back to our position re average pay that we held in 2011

Support staff also received a below inflation pay rise which has not addressed the decline in their pay

Hackney NEU believes

The government needs to substantially increase school funding to address the problem of crumbling school buildings, staff recruitment and retentions and lack of resources for students (particularly those with SEND)

That education workers need a significant and above inflation pay rise to address the long term decline in their pay

That the union should relaunch the school cuts website and organised an education funding campaign
Begin the campaign for the 2024 pay award now, focusing on the long term decline in education workers pay

Hackney NEU resolves

To launch a school funding campaign in Hackney along with parents, the local community and the school closure campaigns

To begin publicising with members the need for a significant pay rise in 2024

To send this motion to the executive

Proposed Dave Davies

Seconded Carly Slingsby

