

REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
NOVEMBER 8, 2016

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: James Reilly, Brian Parent, Timothy Skermont, Sonya Murray, Mark Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. William Crankshaw, Dale Turner, Lou D'Ambro, Thomas Waldron, Catherine Chandler, Howard Mettelman, FFA members, RCS faculty members, Remsen community members

Meeting called to order by James Reilly, Board President, at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present.

Anne Reilly of the Remsen Teacher Resource Center present to request board member to be a representative on the RTRC's policy board. Mr. Skermont has served in the past. Mr. Parent offered to be representative, if Mr. Skermont did not want to serve again this year.

FFA members discussed their trip to the national convention in Indianapolis. Slide show presented which outlined some of the many activities that the students participated in while on this trip.

Mary Jane Chambers, Internal Auditor, discussed report for year ended June 30, 2016 as well as the quarter from July – October, 2016.

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Mark Williams:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve minutes from meetings held October 4, October 11 and October 27, 2016; approve agenda dated November 8, 2016, with the following additions:

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Mark Williams:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve warrants for payment; accept Budget Status and Treasurer's Reports for September, 2016; accept Revenue Budget Status Report and Appropriation Status Reports from July 1 – September 30, 2016; and approve Budget Transfers.”

Superintendent's Report to the Board of Education included the following items:

- District Safety Plan
- Draft of Capital Project Newsletter
- Telephone System – December installation
- Professional Development – November 10, 2016

Student representatives discussed the following items:

- Student Council Blood Drive
- Pink Out Day
- Yearbook – Decrease in price

High School Principal's Report given by Mr. Dale Turner included the following:

- Professional Development
- Financial Aid Night
- College Night for Students in Grades 10-12
- Veterans Day Concert

Mr. Turner, Kathleen Nebush (Guidance Counselor) and Linda Smith (CTE Teacher) gave presentation of the HS Master Schedule

Transportation Department Report given by Thomas Waldron included the following:

- Two new 66 passenger school buses now on road
- Transportation Survey

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Sonya Murray:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adopt Board of Education Policies –  
Section 2000 – School Board Operations.” Unanimous vote

Second reading of Board of Education Policies – Section 3000 – Administration

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Brian Parent:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve recommendations of the  
Committee on Special Education from meetings held on September 14, September 16,  
September 19, September 29, October 3, October 11, October 13 and October 17, 2016;  
and approve recommendations of the Committee on PreSchool Special Education from  
meeting held on September 30, 2016.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Brian Parent:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the revised Safety Plan for the  
Elementary School and Junior Senior High School.” Unanimous vote

Lou D'Ambro discussed the BOCES School Lunch Program and costs associated with same.

Tom Waldron outlined the costs of a late bus run.

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Brian Parent:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the transfer of funds from within the  
transportation budget (line item-fuel) to (line item-equipment repair) for payment of said  
bus lift repair.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Brian Parent:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the repair/replacement of the bus garage lift track and be it further RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorize low bidder, Yocum Full Service Inc., to repair/replace said lift track at a cost not to exceed \$15,900.00.”  
Unanimous vote

Motion by Mark Williams, second by Sonya Murray:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept the \$500.00 donation from the Steuben Fish & Game Club’s John L. Williams Memorial Fund for use in the RCS archery program.”  
Unanimous vote

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Timothy Skermont:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept donation of drum set with an approximate value of \$500.00 from Lionel Green and Laurie Green.”  
Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Mark Williams:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Dale Dening as Boys Modified Basketball Coach and appoint Alicia Prunoske as Girls Modified Basketball Coach for the 2016-2017 season.”  
Vote – 4 yes  
Mr. Skermont abstained

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Timothy Skermont:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education grant request of Kathleen Nebush, Guidance Counselor, for maternity leave beginning on or about May 1 through June 23, 2016.”  
Unanimous vote

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Sonya Murray:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Steven Boucher of Remsen, NY and Ian Donaghue of Remsen, NY as substitute teachers.”  
Unanimous vote

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Sonya Murray:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Brian Parent as Board of Education Representative to serve on the Remsen Teacher Resource Center Policy Board.”  
Unanimous vote

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Sonya Murray:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education create the position of Bus Driver/Motor Vehicle Operator.”  
Unanimous vote

Office Specialist I tabled

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Sonya Murray:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint the following as substitute bus drivers: Gustaf Johnson, Matthew Tomasik and Martin Waldron”  
Unanimous vote

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Sonya Murray:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Todd Crego of Rome, NY  
as substitute school bus monitor.”

Unanimous vote

Information and correspondence given to the Board of Education included the following:

- Letter from Dale Dening
- Remsen Teacher Resource Center Policy Board Meeting Schedule
- Letter from Remsen Barn Festival, Inc.
- Schedule of November Town Board Meetings
- Invitation to Bid Farewell to Dr. Crankshaw

Mr. Howard Mettelman, OHM BOCES District Superintendent, discussed the Superintendent Search process.

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Timothy Skermont to go into Executive Session at 9:45 p.m. for the following: Parent Concern

After parent exited Executive Session at 9:45 p.m, Mr. Mettelman went into Executive Session to discuss the Superintendent Search.

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Brian Parent to return to Regular Session at 10:45 p.m.

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Mark Williams to adjourn the meeting at 10:46 p.m.