

REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
APRIL 17, 2018

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brian Parent, James Reilly, Sonya Murray, Mary Lou Allen

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Williams present through videoconferencing

OTHERS PRESENT: Rebecca Dunckel-King, Lou D'Ambro, James VanWormer,  
Thomas Waldron, Catherine Chandler, Kelly Runniger

Budget Session began at 6:00 p.m. Ms. Dunckel-King gave presentation which included mission statement and district goals. PreK enrollment for 2018-2019 is 22 students.

Program Highlights:

- Addition of Agriculture program
- CTE program will be further developed
- Grants and Awards
- Creation of "Rams on the Run"

Lou D'Ambro discussed our expenditures and revenues. Total Budget for 2018-2019 is \$12,232,212.00 which is an increase of \$320,100 or approximately 2.69%.

Proposition for the purchase of two 66 passenger school buses. Total cost not to exceed \$230,000.00. Bus 83 and Bus 84 will be traded in.

Tax Levy Increase of \$92,103 which is 1.81%. The district is tax compliant which allows taxpayers to receive rebate.

One Board of Education seat for 5 year term. Mr. Parent is running for re-election.

Vote is May 15, 2018 from 1-8 p.m.

Meeting called to order by Brian Parent, Board President, at 7:00 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance to the flag recited by all present.

Public Participation – Students from French classes attended meeting. The students thanked the district for continuing French program and asked that a teacher be hired instead of using Distance Learning. Gerald Palen stated it is crucial for students to finish their four year program.

Motion by James Reilly, second by Mary Lou Allen:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve minutes from meetings held March 8 and March 13, 2018; approve agenda dated April 17, 2018 with the following addition: Approve certified substitute teacher Brittney Rose Tucker.”

Unanimous vote

Motion by Mary Lou Allen, second by James Reilly:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve warrants for payment; accept Treasurer’s Report, Budget Status Report, Revenue Budget Status, Appropriation Status Reports for period ended February 28, 2018; approve Budget Transfers; and accept Capital Fund Appropriation Status Report and Energy Performance Contract – Warrant/Expenses.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Mary Lou Allen, second by Sonya Murray:

“RESOLVED, that in compliance with the provisions of Section 3012(2) of the Education Law and Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Alyssa Christ be appointed on tenure to the position of teacher in the Childhood Education Grades 1-6 tenure area, who holds a valid New York State Certificate permitting her to teach subjects in the aforesaid tenure area, the Board of Education of the Remsen Central School District does hereby make this appointment effective September 1, 2018.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Mary Lou Allen:

“RESOLVED, that in compliance with the provisions of Section 3012(2) of the Education Law and Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Daniel O’Bryan be appointed on tenure to the position of teacher in the Secondary Science tenure area, who holds a valid New York State Certificate permitting him to teach subjects in the aforesaid tenure area, the Board of Education of the Remsen Central School District does hereby make this appointment effective September 1, 2018.” Unanimous vote

Motion by James Reilly, second by Mark Williams:

“RESOLVED, that in compliance with the provisions of Section 3012(2) of the Education Law and Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Linda Smith be appointed on tenure to the position of teacher in the Business and Distributive Education tenure area, who holds a valid New York State Certificate permitting her to teach subjects in the aforesaid tenure area, the Board of Education of the Remsen Central School District does hereby make this appointment effective September 1, 2018.” Unanimous vote

Superintendent’s Report given by Rebecca Dunckel-King included the following:

- NYS Education Department – Every Student Succeeds Act
- 3-8 State ELA Assessments – Refusal Rate down from 30% to 24%
- Minimum Instruction Required for State Aid – 2018-2019  
900 minutes for elementary and 990 minutes for JSHS

Jeffrey Klossner reported on the following:

- Utica Coffee Fundraiser
- Spirit Week
- Red Cross Blood Drive

Alexis Tartaglia reported on the following:

- National Honor Society induction
- Community Service project
- Yearbook
- Spring Sports

Mr. VanWormer distributed written report to the Board and discussed the following:

- Student Management
- Attendance
- Testing
- Kudos to staff and students for their efforts during the April 16<sup>th</sup> power outage

Dean of Students Report included PreK Registration and Arbor Day Celebration.

Transportation Report given by Tom Waldron included the following:

- Bus Repairs
- Annual Driver Physicals
- LED Lights installed in Bus Garage

Facilities Report given by Jack Roepnack of Construction Associates included the following:

- EPC
- Lighting completed
- HVAC upgrades
- Project Closeouts
- Flagpole Project
- NYSED Approval will hopefully arrive in May

BOE Facilities Committee

- Neighboring property
- Flagpole

Second Reading of the following polices:

*	Budget Transfers	Policy #4202
	Education Records	Policy #7500
	Education Records Regulation	Regulation #7500.1
	Application to Inspect FERPA Records	Regulation #7500.2
	Student Privacy – Record of FERPA Request	Regulation #7500.3
	Request to Correct FERPA Records	Regulation #7500.4
	Student Privacy FERPA Notice	Regulation #7500.5
	Educational Stability for Students in Foster Care	Policy# to be determined
	Parent & Family Engagement in Title I Programs	Policy # 1200
	Student Attendance	Policy # 7007
	Student Health Examinations	Policy # 7100
	Immunization & Dental Health of Students	Policy # 7101

\*Jim Reilly is opposed to the Budget Transfers policy.

Motion by Mary Lou Allen, second by Jim Reilly:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept recommendations of the Committee on Special Education from meetings held on March 8, March 13, March 15, March 26, March 27, March 28, March 29, April 5, April 6, April 9 and April 10, 2018; and accept recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education from meeting held on March 26, 2018.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Mark Williams:

**WHEREAS**, it is the plan of a number of PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS and the MADISON-ONEIDA BOCES (the “BOCES”) during the 2018-2019 school year to bid jointly for the purchase of various types of computers and technology commodities (the “Commodities”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Remsen Central School District (“the School District”) is desirous to participating in the joint bidding of the Commodities, as authorized by General Municipal Law, Article 5-G; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board of Education has received and reviewed the Cooperative Bid Procedures (“the Procedures”) governing its right and responsibilities should it elect to participate in the joint bidding of commodities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in accordance with Cooperative Bid Procedures the Board of Education agrees to award bid purchase item purchases according to the recommendation of the BOCES if such award is in the best interest of the school district.

Unanimous vote

Motion by James Reilly, second by Sonya Murray:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adopt budget for the 2018-2019 school year in the amount of \$12,232,212.00.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Mary Lou Allen:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adopt the Property Tax Report Card for 2018-2019.” Unanimous vote

Motion by James Reilly, second by Mary Lou Allen:

“WHEREAS, the BOCES tentative administration budget is adopted by public resolution; and

WHEREAS, copies of the tentative administration, capital and program budgets were received on March 20, 2018 and an information meeting was presented at Oneida BOCES on April 11, 2018;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education **APPROVES** the tentative administration budget of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Sole Supervisory District of Oneida, Herkimer and Madison Counties, in the amount of **\$3,690,132.14** for 2018-2019.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by James Reilly:

“WHEREAS, the election of Cooperative Board members is to occur by resolution; and

WHEREAS, notification was received on March 23<sup>rd</sup> of the slate of candidates, and an information meeting was presented at Oneida BOCES on April 11th.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education casts its vote(s) in the annual election of members of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Sole Supervisory District of Oneida, Herkimer and Madison Counties, for the person or persons indicated:

Mrs. Doreen Corbin of Brookfield Central School District  
Mrs. Elaine Falvo of New Hartford Central School District  
Mrs. Evon M. Ervin of Utica City School District  
Mrs. Charlene A. Hartman of Westmoreland Central School District”

Unanimous vote

Motion by James Reilly, second by Mary Lou Allen:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Agreement for Collection of Taxes between the Adirondack Bank located in Holland Patent, NY and Remsen Central School District.”

Vote: Yes: Allen, Murray, Parent  
No: Reilly, Williams

Motion by Mark Williams, second by Mary Lou Allen:

“RESOLVED that, Rebecca Dunckel-King, the Superintendent of Schools, be appointed as the representative to serve on the Oneida County Shared Services Panel.”

Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by James Reilly:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorize Superintendent of Schools, Rebecca Dunckel-King, to approve change orders up to \$5,000.00; for change orders in the amount of \$5,001 - \$10,000 approval by Superintendent Rebecca Dunckel-King and Assistant Supt for Business Lou D’Ambro; for change orders in the amount of \$10,001 - \$20,000 approval by entire Facilities Committee; and any change orders over the amount of \$20,000.00 approval by the Board of Education.”

Unanimous vote

Motion by Mary Lou Allen, second by Sonya Murray:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Francesca D’Ambro of New Hartford, NY, Dyanna Cornacchia of Remsen, NY as uncertified substitute teachers, and appoint Brittney Rose Tucker of Poland, NY as certified substitute teacher.”

Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Mary Lou Allen:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Dale Denning as Boys Varsity Track and Field Coach for the 2018 spring season.”

Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Mark Williams:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Jamie Dening as Girls Varsity Track and Field Coach for the 2018 spring season.”

Unanimous vote

Motion by James Reilly, second by Mark Williams:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint the following Assistant Volunteer Coaches for the 2018 spring season:

Sonya Murray – Varsity Baseball

Rachel Waterbury – Varsity Softball

Marc Charbonneau – Modified Baseball

Vote – 4 yes;

S. Murray abstained

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Mary Lou Allen:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve request for leave of Julia Cooper from September 4, 2018 – October 5, 2018.”

Unanimous vote

Information & Correspondence

- SBI – Annual Dinner Meeting/Distinguished Service Awards

Motion by Mary Lou Allen, second by Mark Williams to go into Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of specific contractual matter.

Motion by Mary Lou Allen, second by Mark Williams to return to Regular Session at 10:15 p.m.

Motion by Mark Williams, second by Mary Lou Allen to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m.