

REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2019

MINUTES

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Rebecca Dunckel-King, Lou D'Ambro, Kristy McGrath, Gary
Winghart, Thomas Waldron, Kevin Roberts, Catherine Chandler,
RCS staff and students

Mrs. Mary Lou Allen, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present. No public participation at tonight's meeting

Motion by Brian Parent, second by James Reilly:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve minutes from meeting held
May 14, 2019 with the following corrections: First resolution approving minutes from
meetings held on March 26, April 8 and April 23, 2019; and approve agenda dated May
14, 2019 - Vote should be 2 yes; 1 no;

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve agenda dated June 10, 2019 with the
following additions: **6.1** –Additions of CSE recommendations from meetings held on
June 7 and June 10, 2019; **6.6**-Electrical Contract Award – Approve the following:
“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education award electrical contract to low bidder, S. C.
Spencer Electrical Inc., in the amount of \$306,700.00 for the smart bond project.”; and
8.2 - OMH-SBI – Area 5 Representative for NYSSBA;

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve warrants for payment; accept
Treasurer's Report for period ended May 31, 2019; Budget Status Report for period
ended May 31, 2019; Revenue Budget Status Report, and Appropriation Status Report;
approve Budget Transfers and accept Capital Fund Appropriation Status Report

Unanimous vote

Question about budget transfers between different categories such as fuel oil to RIC
Line items are sometimes taken from accounts with surplus monies as we are near to the end of
the fiscal year.

Transportation Report given by Thomas Waldron included the following:

- Five buses due for DOT inspection
- Fall Refresher for bus drivers and monitors “Loading at the Bus Stop”
- 2 summer routes – one to Madison-Oneida BOCES and one to Oneida BOCES

- Grounds – difficulty to maintain grounds due to the number of rainy days
- Storage Building next to high school can now be used for storage
- New tractor will be purchased after July 1st. Question if mid PTO will be added to the tractor.

Kevin Roberts gave Facilities Report which included the following:

High School

- Boys locker room – old lockers installed but will be replaced with new ones once order arrives.
- Girls locker room – demo work has begun.
- Storefront door installation and door hardware has begun.
- Roofs and trim work completed.

Storage Building

- Roof and overhead doors have been installed.
- Interior electrical and lighting work completed with exception of overhead door operators
- Waiting for installation of small service doors.

Elementary School

- Electricians have done much of the new fire alarm prep work;
- Work on roughing in conduit for rooftop units and pumps;
- Exterior LED building lights installed;
- Cafeteria/Gym floor replacement began June 3rd
- Storefront door installation has started

Grounds Construction

- Electrical contractors to start installation of new roadway light poles and ditching for electric and fiber optic cable (June 11th)
- Track reconstruction – waiting for company to begin work

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

- Dates to remember: June 11 – JV and Varsity Sports Awards; June 12-Bridges Awards Ceremony at BOCES; and June 13 – CTE Award Ceremony at BOCES;
- Small Rural School Achievement (SRSA) –Calculation award will be received later this summer.
- Opportunity with Harvard and Cornell – Initial application; leadership interview; data interview

High School Principal's Report given by Kristy McGrath included the following:

- Shaun Graves' last meeting is tonight. We thank Shaun for attending and being a part of the BOE meetings.
- June 17 is the last day for JSHS students with June 18-June 25 being Regents exams.
- June 26 – last day for teachers
- June 23rd – Baccalaureate will take place at 9:30 a.m. in the Remsen Methodist Church and graduation at 1 pm in the JSHS gymnasium

Elementary Principal's Report given by Gary Winghart included the following:

- Field trips
- 6th grade orientation
- Olympic Day – June 20th
- Evening of Excellence – June 21st
- June 25th – ½ day for students

Mary Lou Allen, Board President, gave her report. Mrs. Allen is impressed with how lunches are being served to the students in the lobby during the cafeteria floor replacement period. Thank you to Sonya Murray for her years of service to the Board of Education.

Old Business – Continuing Services clause in King + King's contract will be discussed at the July meeting.

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Jim Reilly:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept recommendations of the Committee on Special Education from meetings held on May 8, May 15, May 16, May 20, May 21, May 22, May 29, May 30, May 31, June 4, June 7 and June 10, 2019; and accept recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education from meeting held on May 20, 2019.”

Unanimous vote

Motion by Mark Williams, second by Brian Parent:

BOND RESOLUTION DATED JUNE 10, 2019 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF SCHOOL BUSES, AUTHORIZING BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN CONTEMPLATION THEREOF, THE LEVY OF TAXES IN ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS IN PAYMENT THEREOF, THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH SUMS FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the qualified voters of the Remsen Central School District, New York, at the annual meeting of such voters duly held on May 21, 2019, duly approved a proposition authorizing the levy of taxes to be collected in installments, in the manner provided by the Education Law, for the specific object or purpose hereinafter described; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Remsen Central School District has undertaken or shall undertake certain capital expenditures, as more particularly described in Section 3 hereof.

Section 2. The Remsen Central School District is hereby authorized to issue its General Obligation Serial Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$167,500, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York, in order to finance the specific object or purpose described herein, and such amount is hereby appropriated therefor.

Section 3. The specific object or purpose to be financed pursuant to this resolution (hereinafter referred to as “purpose”) is the acquisition of one (1) 66-passenger school bus at an estimated maximum cost of \$117,000, and one (1) 20-passenger school bus at an estimated maximum cost of \$50,500, all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$167,500.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) the maximum aggregate cost of said purpose, as estimated by the Board of Education, is \$167,500, (b) the Remsen Central School District plans to finance the cost of said purpose entirely from funds raised by the issuance of said Bonds and the Bond Anticipation Notes hereinafter referred to, and (c) no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. It is hereby determined that the purpose is one of the class of objects or purposes described in Subdivision 29 of Paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of said purpose is five (5) years.

Section 6. The Remsen Central School District is hereby authorized to issue its Bond Anticipation Notes in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$167,500, and is hereby authorized to issue renewals thereof, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York in order to finance the purpose in anticipation of the issuance of the above described Bonds.

Section 7. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) there are presently no outstanding Bond Anticipation Notes issued in anticipating of the sale of said Bonds, (b) the Bond Anticipation Notes authorized hereby are not issued in anticipation for Bonds for an assessable improvement.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the Remsen Central School District reasonably expects to reimburse the general fund, or such other fund utilized, not to exceed the maximum amount authorized herein, from the proceeds of the obligations authorized hereby for expenditures, if any, from such fund that may be made for the purpose prior to the date of issuance of such obligations. This is a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation §1.150-2.

Section 9. The faith and credit of the Remsen Central School District, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes as the same respectively become due and payable. And annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all taxable real property of said School District, a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable.

Section 10. The power to further authorize the issuance of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes and to prescribe the terms, form and contents of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes, subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Local Finance Law of New York, including without limitation, the consolidation with other issues, the determination to issue Bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, whether to authorize the receipt of bids in an electronic format, and to sell and deliver said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education or to the Vice President of the Board in the event of the absence or unavailability of the President. The President of the Board of Education and the District Clerk are hereby authorized to sign by manual or facsimile signature any Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes issued pursuant to this resolution, and are hereby authorized to affix to such Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes the corporate seal of the School District and to attest the same.

Section 11. This resolution, or a summary hereof, shall be published in full by the District Clerk of the School District together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed by Section 81.00 of said Local Finance Law, and such publication shall be in each official newspaper of the School District. The validity of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes may be contested only if such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said School District is not authorized to expend money, or the provisions of law which should be complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity, is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or if said obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 12. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.
Duly put to a vote as follows: Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Mark Williams:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept results of the 2019-2020 budget vote held on May 21, 2019 as follows:

Budget - \$13,198,752	Yes-165	No-89
Purchase of 2 buses	Yes-183	No-72
Board Member – Stephanie Karis	214	

Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Jim Reilly:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve tentative list of meeting dates for the 2019-2020 school year as follows: July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12 and December 10, 2019; January 14, February 11, March 10, April 14, May 12, May 19-Budget Vote, and June 9, 2020.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Mark Williams:

“Be It RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Remsen Central School District hereby authorizes the transfer of funds from the General Fund to the established 2017 Capital Reserve (or to the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve) fund up to an amount that leaves the unapplied undesignated fund balance at 4% of the subsequent year’s budget effective June 30, 2019.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Jim Reilly:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education award electrical contract to low bidder, S. C. Spencer Electrical Inc., in the amount of \$306,700.00 for the Smart Bond project.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Jim Reilly:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Amanda Kerr of Boonville, NY as Office Specialist I with the understanding this is a provisional appointment pending the taking and passing of Senior Office Specialist I test which will be given August 21, 2019, at an annual salary of \$27,500.00, effective July 1, 2019.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Brian Parent:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Kate Runniger of Remsen, NY, as certified substitute teacher at a daily rate of \$100.00.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Mark Williams:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has conducted a thorough search process to select a new Superintendent of Schools; and

WHEREAS, after careful consideration and consultation, has determined that **Timothy Jenny**, currently serving as the High School Principal for the Dolgeville Central School District, possesses the necessary qualifications and experience to serve as the Remsen Central School District's Superintendent of Schools and to continue the orderly administration of the District's ongoing programs and projects; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jenny has agreed to accept the Board's offer of appointment for a 5-year term to serve as the Superintendent, effective on July 1, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby appoints Timothy Jenny as the Superintendent of Schools of the Remsen Central School District for an initial term of five (5) years, commencing July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2024 at an initial annual base salary of One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000) and hereby ratifies and adopts a written contract of employment (attached hereto as Exhibit "A"), containing all of the relevant and applicable benefits, terms and conditions of employment for the Superintendent; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the President of the Board, or the Vice President in her absence, to execute said Agreement on behalf of the District and to file same with the District Clerk. Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Brian Parent:

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education create position of Bus Driver/Dispatcher for the Remsen Central School District." Unanimous vote

Information given to the Board of Education included

- Remsen Teacher Resource Center Report
- OMH-SBI – Area 5 Representative for NYSSBA

Motion by Jim Reilly, second by Mark Williams to go into Executive Session at 7:48 p.m. for the sole purpose of discussion of a contractual matter.

Motion by Mark Williams, second by Brian Parent to return to Regular Session at 8:10 p.m.

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Jim Reilly to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m.