



REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
TUESDAY AUGUST 13, 2024
"All Remsen students will Soar to Success"

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tara Kennerknecht, Patrick Nolan, Mary Lou Allen,
Stephanie Karis, Jeannie Scouten

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Timothy Jenny, John McKeown, Gary Winghart,
Olivia Woolheater, Kurt Crossett, Kelly Runniger,
Sanya Pelrah, Dale Dening, Carleen Taylor, Sherry
Taylor, Robert Batson, Laura Roberts, Rachel
Fisherauer, Jody Lamphere

Meeting called to order by Mrs. Mary Lou Allen, Board President, at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present.

Mrs. Allen read the following statement:

Public Participation - We are about to convene into the public comment period of our meeting. Any district resident wishing to speak during public session is required to sign in, stating your full name, address, contact information and the topic that you wish to discuss. If you have not signed in and you wish to speak, the District Clerk will bring the sign-in sheet over to you at this time. We will insist that all speakers and members of the audience maintain civility and respect. As a reminder, discussion or comment about personnel matters, any district employee or any particular student is prohibited. Those concerns should be brought directly to the Superintendent.

The board will now entertain public comments for up to a maximum of 30 minutes. Each individual speaker will be allotted three minutes. Please be reminded that written comments or concerns to be shared with the Board may also be submitted or emailed to the district clerk, Ms. Olivia Woolheater or to the Superintendent, Mr. Timothy Jenny at any time.

No public participation this evening

Motion by Stephanie Karis, second by Tara Kennerknecht:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approved the minutes from the meetings held on July 9, 2024 and July 24, 2024.; and it be further resolved that the Board of Education approve Warrants for Payment; Treasurer’s Report; accept Revenue Status Report; and Appropriation Status Report, and budget transfers.”

Unanimous vote

Elementary Principal’s report given by Gary Winghart: See attached

High School Principal’s Report given by Sanya Pelrah: See attached

Transportation Report given by Kurt Crossett: See attached

Athletic Director Dale Denning shared that summer athletic camps are going well and students are enjoying them. He shared updates about Fall sports and when they are set to begin.

Motion by Stephanie Karis, second by Tara Kennerknecht:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the 2024-2025 tax levy in the amount of \$5,702,271.00.”

Unanimous vote

Motion by Tara Kennerknecht, second by Patrick Nolan:

WHEREAS, Section 30-2.9 of the rules of the NYS Board of Regents requires certification of Lead Evaluator for the purpose of conducting evaluations of teachers and principals in accordance with the requirements of Section 3012-d of the NYS Education Law, which governs annual professional performance reviews; and

WHEREAS, the individual identified below has successfully completed the training requirements prescribed under Section 30-2.9(b) of the Rules of the NYS Board of Regents; now, therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby certify that the following individual has successfully met the requirements prescribed by the NYS Board of Regents as qualified lead evaluator:

1. Jody Lamphere

Unanimous vote

2024-2025 Program Presentations to the Board of Education – Discussion and schedule

Motion by Stephanie Karis, second by Patrick Nolan:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Amanda Kerr effective August 21, 2024.”

Unanimous vote

Motion by Tara Kennerknecht, second by Patrick Nolan:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Renssen Central School District, pursuant to Section 2509 of the Education Law, upon the recommendation of Timothy Jenny, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Sherry Taylor of Renssen, NY to the position Teaching Assistant in said tenure area for probationary period of four years,

to commence on August 29, 2024 and to expire on June 30, 2028; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Sherry Taylor, during her first year of appointment be paid at the annual salary as outlined in the 2018-2026 agreement between Remsen Teachers' Association and the Board of Education at 40% of Step 16, Column R, in the amount of \$29,752.00."

Unanimous vote

Motion by Jeannie Scouten, second by Tara Kennerknecht:

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Charlene Wilcox of Remsen, NY as a substitute Clerical Worker at the hourly rate of \$15.50 retroactive to August 12, 2024."

Unanimous vote

Motion by Tara Kennerknecht, second by Patrick Nolan:

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Benjamin Doty of Forestport, NY as Grounds Worker effective August 26, 2024 at the hourly rate of \$18.00, pending fingerprint clearance."

Unanimous vote

Motion by Tara Kennerknecht, second by Jeannie Scouten:

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Justine Johnson effective August 9, 2024, from the positions of school bus driver and school monitor."

Unanimous vote

Mr. Timothy Jenny said that Ms. Justine Johnson and her family are in our thoughts and thanked her for all that she has done for Remsen.

Motion by Stephanie Karis, second by Tara Kennerknecht:

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Deborah Geci as the District Treasurer for the 2024-2025 school year with an annual stipend of \$10,000.00 retroactive to July 1, 2024."

Unanimous vote

Oath of Faithful Performance in Office was administered to District Treasurer, Ms. Deborah Geci, by Ms. Olivia Woolheater, District Clerk.

Motion by Jeannie Scouten, second by Tara Kennerknecht:

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Katey Secor of Remsen, NY as the Volunteer Assistant JV Boys Soccer Coach for the 2024-2025 season."

Unanimous vote

Motion by Jeannie Scouten, second by Patrick Nolan:

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint retired confidential secretary to superintendent and district clerk, Catherine Chandler, of Remsen, NY, as substitute Clerical Worker at the hourly rate of \$29.73, retroactive to August 13, 2024."

Unanimous vote

Motion by Jeannie Scouten, second by Patrick Nolan:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education provisionally appoint Laura Roberts of Remsen, NY to the position of Office Specialist I, effective August 29, 2024 at an annual salary of \$37,500 pending fingerprint clearance.”

Unanimous vote

Motion by Tara Kennerknecht, second by Patrick Nolan:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education provisionally appoint Rachel Fisherauer of Poland, NY to the position of Office Specialist I, effective August 19, 2024 at an annual salary of \$37,500 pending fingerprint clearance.”

Unanimous vote

Information and Correspondence -

Community Building Use Requests (Information Only)

- Remsen Barn Fota Committee – Visitor Shuttles – 9/28/24 and 9/29/24 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Will pay for driver/bus costs)
- Remsen Barn Fota Committee – Visitor parking and Power for Exhibitors – 9/28/24 and 9/29/24 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Will pay for costs)

Soaring to Success – Board of Education Roundtable Remarks

Board members reflected on and shared their thoughts about activities and events that occurred over the past month:

Mrs. Mary Lou Allen: Mrs. Allen thanked all involved in the summer enrichment programs. Mrs. Allen also thanked Mr. Robert Smith for all of his hard work this summer as a substitute grounds worker and commented on how nice the campus looks.

Mrs. Tara Kennerknecht: Mrs. Kennerknecht thanked Mr. Kurt Crossett for all that he has done for the transportation department. Mrs. Kennerknecht asked if they could see the new bus sometime.

Mrs. Jeannie Scouten: Mrs. Scouten thanked Mrs. Jody Lamphere for all of her involvement with the summer enrichment and said that she is glad that her first month as a principal is going well.

Mr. Timothy Jenny: Mr. Jenny thanked Mr. Robert Smith for all of his help this summer as a substitute grounds worker and commented on how great the campus looks. Mr. Jenny discussed how diverse the summer enrichment programs and camps are that have been happening this summer. He said that the students are learning a variety of different skills and are having a great time doing it. Mr. Jenny said that the volleyball camp that is hosted every summer by Mrs. Amy Piaschyk is a great opportunity for female athletes to gain confidence in the sport. Then, Mr. Jenny thanked Mr. Kurt Crossett for all that he has done for the transportation department and

stated that he is doing an amazing job. Lastly, Mr. Jenny said that he is looking forward to the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion by Tara Kenneknecht, second by Jeannie Scouten to enter executive session at 6:30 p.m. for the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Motion by Stephanie Karis, second by Tara Kennerknecht to return to regular session at 7:19 p.m.

Motion by Jeannie Scouten, second by Patrick Nolan to adjourn regular session at 7:20 p.m.