## **MINUTES: DELEGATES' MEETING**

September 7, 2016 BOCES, Goshen, NY

In Attendance: Martha Bogart (O/U BOCES, Goshen), Bill Boss, Bill Hecht (O/U BOCES), Dottie Slattery (O/U BOCES, NYSSBA Area 9), Sandy Nagler, John Pasichnyk, Frank Sambets (Chester), Barbara Manzari (Cornwall), Meg Sgombick (Florida), Mike Lorenzo (Goshen), Ron Sommer (Greenwood Lake), JoAnn Reed (Marlboro), Vincent Crescenzo, Ed Estrada (Middletown), Joseph Flaherty (Minisink Valley), Peter Agro, Cara Robertson (Pine Bush), Meg Vaught (Tuxedo), Sarah Messing, Sheila Schwartz (Valley Central), Keith Parsons (Warwick), Colleen Doyle (Washingtonville), Susan Doyle, Karyn Meier (OCSBA), plus Guests: Robbie Greene (MHSSC), Jim Drohan, Stu Waxman (TDWPM)

President Ron Sommer called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance. Introductions were made around the room and new board members, new delegates and guests were welcomed.

Call to Order

A motion to approve the minutes of the 5/4/16 and 6/1/16 meetings was m/s/c.

Approval of Minutes

Treasurer Ed Estrada reported that the Executive Committee met in July to conduct an internal audit of OCSBA's 2015-16 financial records. All monies were accounted for and all records were in order. The Cash Flow Report and Budget Report for 2015-16 were distributed. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was m/s/c.

Treasurer's Report

President Sommer reported that a positive meeting was held with a representative from Kiryas Joel to address district concerns. All delegates received a hard copy of the OCSBA Directory; electronic copies will be shared with regular board members. Ron noted future events, and that NYSSBA's Barry Entwistle will attend our October meeting to offer practical guidance on navigating the NYSSBA Convention. All board members are welcome at OCSBA meetings.

President's Report

Susan Doyle reported that OCSBA has received excellent sponsorship for our hospitality suite at the NYSSBA Convention, allowing us to retain some funds for use during the Capitol Conference later. Details for the OCSBA Delegate's Meeting at convention will be announced shortly. Susan asked delegates to check with their board members about attendance at OCSBA dinners. Firm commitments are needed by October.

**Executive Director's Report** 

Attorneys Jim Drohan and Stu Waxman from Thomas, Drohan, Waxman, Petigrow & Mayle, LLP, presented a "Legal Update Regarding School Safety Plans" which detailed recent changes in terminology and new legal requirements that must be incorporated into school district policies and safety plans.

Presentation: Legal Update on School Safety Issues

Executive Director Roberta Greene from the Mid-Hudson School Study Council discussed the renewed purpose of MHSSC and its commitment to improving education by addressing the needs of schools through collaborative research and problem solving. She invited board members to contact her with suggestions, and gave examples of recent, innovative work being done by MHSSC. She noted dates for upcoming MHSSC events.

Presentation: MHSSC Update

Legislative Director, Bill Boss, distributed NYSSBA's 2016 Proposed Bylaw Amendments & Resolutions Book. A preliminary discussion about the resolutions followed, with further discussion to continue during OCSBA's October 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Legislative Report

Further information was requested to explain a 2015 NYSSBA 'ward system' resolution.

Delegates' Concerns

President Sommer thanked all for attending. Motion to adjourn was m/s/c at 9:07 PM.

Adjournment