## **MINUTES: DELEGATES' MEETING**

November 2, 2016 BOCES, Goshen, NY

In Attendance: Bill Boss, Bill Hecht (O/U BOCES), Sandy Nagler, John Pasichnyk, Frank Sambets (Chester), Charlie Frankel (Cornwall), Larry Berger (Cornwall/ O/U BOCES), Martha Bogart, Mike Lorenzo (Goshen), Ron Sommer (Greenwood Lake), Faith Aprilante (Highland Falls), Michael Brooks (Marlboro), Ed Estrada (Middletown), Anthony Anderson (Monroe-Woodbury), Philip Howard (Newburgh), Joe Byrne, Sheila Schwartz (Valley Central), Dave Eaton, Keith Parsons (Warwick Valley), Colleen Doyle (Washingtonville), Susan Doyle, Karyn Meier (OCSBA), plus Guests: Dominic Cordisco (Partner, Drake Loeb), and Josh Sommers (President & CEO, Focus Media)

President Ron Sommer called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance. OCSBA attendees introduced themselves and guests were welcomed.

Call to Order

LEGOLAND representative Dominic Cordisco gave an overview of what the proposed Goshen site would encompass in terms of target audience, size and layout of the park, educational programming and work opportunities available, and LEGOLAND support for the local community. He answered questions regarding PILOT and tax implications, the possibility of planned park growth, and the seasonality of park access.

Presentation: LEGOLAND's Impact

A motion to approve the minutes of the 10/5/16 meeting was m/s/c.

**Approval of Minutes** 

Treasurer Ed Estrada presented the Treasurer's Report for July-September 2016. A motion to accept the report was m/s/c.

Treasurer's Report

President Sommer thanked LEGOLAND presenters, and Bill Hecht for his help in arranging the presentation. Moving into winter months, Ron reminded all to check the OCSBA website on the dates of future meetings for cancellation notices in situations of bad weather. There will be a presentation about trends in negotiations at the December 2nd meeting, and a review of the OCSBA 2016 legislative platform as we prepare for 2017.

President's Report

Susan Doyle reviewed NYSSBA Convention details. OCSBA received excellent sponsorship of our hospitality suite. However, both the suite and the Voting Delegates' meeting were not well attended. This may be due to a dense convention schedule and that many attendees were not staying in the primary hotel, but spread out across the Buffalo area, which made getting to/from the suite difficult. Susan noted that this has implications for next year's convention in Lake Placid which will also cover a wide variety of locations. Highlights of the convention included two sessions, one presented by OU BOCES, and the other presented by Valley Central School District.

**Executive Director's Report** 

Bill Boss noted that the NYSSBA Business Meeting provided a good opportunity for new Orange County delegates to network with veteran delegates. He provided a summary of which resolutions passed/failed, and/or underwent changes.

Legislative Report: Resolutions 2016

Overall, OCSBA members shared that the program offerings at the convention were very good. Valley Central thanked Sue Doyle for coordinating the dinners. Further discussion ensued about LEGOLAND traffic management concerns. The Goshen district has drafted a letter to the County Executive addressing these concerns. This letter will be shared with other Orange County school superintendents who can then decide, with their districts, whether they would also like to send the letter to the County Executive to show support of Goshen's recommendations.

Delegates' Concerns

President Sommer thanked all for attending. Motion to adjourn was m/s/c at 8:42 PM.

Adjournment