DeRuyter Central School 711 Railroad Street DeRuyter, NY 13052

#### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

6:00 PM – Virtually **December 9, 2020** 

**Members Present:** Dean Hathaway, Daniel Degear, Bradley Mierke, Jodi Wiesing

**Members Absent:** Richard Metcalf

Others Present: David Brown, Sandy Welsh, Jim Southard, Jenny Valente, Steve Rafferty, Kim O'Brien,

Amanda Graham-Quirk

## I. Regular Meeting Call To Order/Pledge of Allegiance

The Regular Meeting of the DeRuyter Central School Board of Education was called to order by President Hathaway at 6:02 p.m.

The Pledge of allegiance immediately followed.

II. Establish Agenda

**RESOLVED**, That the Board establish the agenda as presented.

**Motion**: CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Degear 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wiesing

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

**III.** Presentations - None

**IV. Discussion Items** - None

V. Public Comments – None

VI. Board Comments - None

VII. Administrative Comments

#### **Topics**

- Continue to send students home parents very positive great communication from school/district/community. Nothing to report continuing collaboration with families.
- Remote Learning Letter sent to Remote Learning Parents to return to in person Second Semester (Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.
- Must maintain social distancing.
- Very Close in some grades 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>
- Responses trickling in
- Goal to get all students back everyday
- SED revising policy regarding transportation aid while feeding children March-June.
- If long term remote learning looking at a pick-up service, etc. more to follow.

**Call to Order** 

Pledge of Allegiance

Established Agenda

Administrative Comments

- Early go-home drill will be 12/22/20
- Really good collaboration w/Madison County working together especially w/Chittenango, Cazenovia, and DeRuyter
- If we go remote for a long period of time, plan to go remote with technology (chrome books, tablets, etc.)
- Will work with families with connectivity issues
- Staff will be teaching remotely from the building, unless told by the county that we

#### VIII. Board Action Items

#### A. Consent Agenda Items

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve/accept the following Consent Items:

- 1. Approve Minutes -11/18/20 (attached)
- 2. Accept Claims Auditor Report (attached)
- 3. Approve Claims Auditor Claim # 21-005 \$116.25 (attached)
- 4. Accept Treasurer's Reports (attached)
- 5. CSE Recommendations (attached)

**Motion**: CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Degear

**<u>Vote</u>**: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

### **B.** Personnel Items

1. Terminate Agreement - .5 FTE School Business Official

**RESOLVED**, That the Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, terminate the agreement with OCM BOCES with respect to the .5 FTE School Business Official position effective January 1, 2021.

**Motion**: CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Degear

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

#### 2. Create Position

**RESOLVED**, That the Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, create the 1.0 FTE position of School Business Executive 1 (Business Manager) effective December 28, 2020.

**Motion**: CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Degear 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wiesing

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

### 3. Appoint School Business Executive 1 (Business Manager)

**RESOLVED**, That the Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, appoint Amanda Graham-Quirk to a 2.5-year probationary, provisional appointment as School Business Executive 1 (Business Manager) effective December 28, 2020 at a salary of \$77,000 (prorated).

**Motion**: CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Degear

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

Action Items

Approved Consent Items

Terminated
Agreement
w/OCM BOCES .5 FTE School
Business Official

Created Position – School Business Executive 1 (Business Manager)

Appointed A. Graham-Quirk as School Business Exec. ! (Business Manager)

## 4. Appoint Substitute

**RESOLVED**, That the Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, appoint Sarah Snyder as a Maintenance Substitute.

**Motion**: CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Degear 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mierke

**Vote**: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

### C. Financial

**RESOLVED**, That the Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the updated Corrective Action Plan for the External Audit of the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020.

Motion: CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Degear

**Vote**: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

**RESOLVED**, That the Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the Corrective Action Plan for the Extra-Classroom Audit of the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020.

**Motion**: CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Degear 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wiesing

**Vote**: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

#### D. Approval of NYSMEC Resolutions

#### 1. ELECTRICITY

WHEREAS, Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law authorizes municipal corporations to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance or exercise of services, functions, powers or activities on a cooperative or contract basis among themselves or one for the other, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 119-n of the General Municipal Law defines the term "municipal corporation" for the purposes of Article 5-G as a county outside the city of New York, a city, a town, a village, a board of cooperative educational services, a fire district or a school district; and

**WHEREAS**, DeRuyter Central School, DeRuyter, NY 13052 (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Participant") is a "municipal corporation" as defined above; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes for this municipal corporation to become or remain a Participant pursuant to the Municipal Cooperation Agreement For Energy Purchasing Services dated the 1st day of May 2005 (the "Agreement"), among municipal corporations collectively identified as the New York School and Municipal Energy Consortium ("NYSMEC") upon the terms of the Agreement and further wishes to authorize participation as an energy consumer as specified below.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that this Board hereby determines that it is in the interests of the *DeRuyter Central School, DeRuyter, NY* to participate in the NYSMEC, and authorizes and directs James Southard, School Business Official to sign the Agreement/and or the Billing Schedule and Agreement for electricity on its behalf; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to prepare, advertise, disseminate and open bids pursuant to the General Municipal Law and to award, execute and deliver binding contracts on behalf of this Board for the purchase of electricity delivered to the delivery point of the local utility distribution company for the Participant's facility or facilities, on a firm basis, for this Participant to the lowest responsible bidder as is determined by the Administrative Participant at a price for such commodity electricity not to exceed \$0.0736 cents per kWh for a term of at least one year and no more than three years commencing May 1,2021, and other terms and conditions, all as may be determined by the Administrative Participant, or to reject any or all such bids; and

Appointed S. Snyder as Maintenance Substitute

Approved the updated Corrective Action Plan for the External 6/30/20 Financial Audit

Approved Corrective Action Plan for the Extra-Classroom 6/30/20 Audit

Approved NYSMEC Resolutions

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the governing body of the municipal corporation named therein at a duly convened meeting thereof, held upon due notice and in accordance with all applicable laws, charters, by-laws and ordinances, including but not limited to the Open Meetings Law, as follows:

Date of Meeting: 12-9-20

**Motion**: CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mierke

**Vote**: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

1. Gas

**WHEREAS**, Article 5-G of the New York State General Municipal Law authorizes municipal corporations to enter into cooperative agreements for the performance or exercise of services, functions, powers or activities on a cooperative or contract basis among themselves or one for the other, and

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**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that this Board hereby determines that it is in the interests of the DeRuyter Central School, DeRuyter, NY to participate in the NYSMEC, and authorizes and directs James Southard, School Business Administrator to sign the Agreement/and or the Billing Schedule and Agreement for natural gas on its behalf; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes the Administrative Participant (as defined in the Agreement) to prepare, advertise, disseminate and open bids pursuant to the General Municipal Law and to award, execute and deliver binding contracts on behalf of this Board for the purchase of natural gas delivered to the city gate of the local utility distribution company for the Participant's facility or facilities, on a firm basis, for this Participant to the lowest responsible bidder as is determined by the Administrative Participant at a price for such commodity natural gas not to exceed \$0.583 cents per therm for a term of at least one year and no more than three years commencing May 1, 2021, and other terms and conditions, all as may be determined by the Administrative Participant, or to reject any or all such bids; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Participant agrees to advertise said bid as may be directed by the Administrative Participant; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the officers and employees of this Participant are authorized to execute such other confirming agreements, certificates and other documents and take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

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**Motion**: CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mierke

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

**Motion**:

## E. Policy Approval

**RESOLVED**, That the Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the  $1^{st}$  reading, waive the  $2^{nd}$  reading of Policy # 5670 - Records Management.

CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Degear 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wiesing

Vote: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

## F. 2021 Capital Outlay SEQRA Approval

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the DeRuyter Central School District (the "Board") has considered the effect upon the environment of the proposed work at the:

#### 2021 Capital Outlay

**WHEREAS**, the Board has received and reviewed the Scope of the Proposed Project prepared and submitted in connection with the Project, and has further received and considered the advice of its Architects and Engineers with regard to the environmental impact of the Project; now therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education of the DeRuyter Central School District as follows:

- 1. The Board hereby determines in accordance with Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act SEQRA) of the Environmental Conservation Law that the Project is a Type II action which will not have a significant impact on the environment and is not subject to review under SEQRA.
- 2. The Project is hereby approved and the Superintendent of Schools and all officers and employees of the District are authorized and directed to perform all actions and execute all documents necessary or appropriate to obtain the necessary funding, complete the Project and to carry out the intent of this resolution.

**Motion**: CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Degear

**Vote**: Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

### **IX.** Public Comments

Dr. Brown – Thanked Mr. Southard for the last 13 years of service. Best wishes.

Dr. Brown welcomed Mrs. Graham-Quirk

**NEXT MEETING: January 13, 2021** 

## X. Executive Session (If Needed)

Approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading/Waived 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of E 5670

Approved SEQRA for 2021 Capital Outlay project

**Public Comments** 

**Adjournment** 

# XI. Adjournment

**RESOLVED**, That the Regular Meeting of the DeRuyter Central School Board of Education be adjourned at 6:21 pm.

**Motion**:

CARRIED

**Vote**:

1<sup>st</sup>: Degear Yes: 4 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mierke

No: 0

Absent: 1 (Metcalf)

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandra Oluelsh Sandra Welsh, District Clerk