

DeRuyter Central School
711 Railroad Street
DeRuyter, NY 13052

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
6:00 PM – Library/Media Center
February 7, 2023

Public Comments at Board of Education Meetings – The DeRuyter Central School Board of Education welcomes comments from the public. This is why we provide “Public Comments” as part of our regular agenda. In fairness to everyone, we ask the public to please abide by the following conditions: **1)** The Board reserves the right to limit the comments of individuals to **three (3) minutes**; **2)** It is not appropriate to comment on individual staff members or about personnel matters during public session. We ask that such concerns be addressed initially with the appropriate administrator (usually one of our Principals or Business Administrator); **3)** Your next step should be to address this matter with the Superintendent; **4)** If you are still dissatisfied, please ask the Superintendent to request that this matter be discussed by the Board of Education in Executive Session.

Members Present: Melanie Ackley, Lisa Benedict, Daniel Degear, Dean Hathaway, Jodi Wiesing

Members Absent: None

Others Present: David Brown, Sandy Welsh, Stephen Rafferty, Amanda Graham-Quirk, Jenny Valente, Katy Denkenberger
Donald Hathaway, Jen Jones, Rhiannon Wilken, Breanna Hannafan, Haley Sabin

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 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance immediately followed.

*Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance*

II. Establish Agenda

Motion: 1st: Wiesing 2nd: Benedict

MOTION That the Board establish the agenda as presented.

Vote: Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Established Agenda

Presentations

III. Presentations

A. Mental Health Program – Mrs. Valente (Power Point)

Topics

- ✓ Positions/Rolls: Social Worker, School Counselors, School Psychologist
- ✓ Student Support Team
- ✓ Rocket Pride
- ✓ Social Emotional Learning – Leadership Group
- ✓ SAGA (Student founded group)
- ✓ Mental Health First Aid
- ✓ PAWS – Taffy, the therapy dog – will visit students every 2 weeks
- ✓ Upcoming plans
- ✓ Restorative Practices

IV. Discussion Items

Discussion Items

A. ARP Update – Mrs. Graham-Quirk

Topics

- ✓ CRSSA
- ✓ Rescue plan - Kiln, sensory path, iPads
- ✓ Weight Room – will look at Community start date - possibility of fall
- ✓ Looking at new ways to use the money
- ✓ ESF Desk review – ESSR – lightest audit – in May 2023

B. Budget Update – Mrs. Graham-Quirk

Topics

- ✓ Will tie with Tax Cap – Audit
- ✓ 2027-2028 – will be a big drop
- ✓ When a project is needed, will use the voter approved Capital Reserve Fund and will not have to ask voter for more \$\$

C. State Aid Analysis – Mrs. Graham-Quirk –

Topics

- ✓ Explained analysis as per attached

D. Tax Cap – Mrs. Graham-Quirk

Topics

- ✓ Not much we can control
- ✓ Capital Levy exclusion – planning forward
- ✓ Must look at the BAN – looking at 325K – setting stage to be able to borrow the correct amount
- ✓ Will be meeting at BOCES regarding Electric Buses – lots of questions to be answered
- ✓ Infra-structure not able to keep up – Electric buildings will be required in the future
- ✓ Fleet in off-cycle – Maybe 1 bus and student transport van and potentially the trucks
- ✓ Very bleak Tax Cap
- ✓ Confident can build a budget with a tax cap 0.08
- ✓ Ban – 350K

E. NYCLASS – Mrs. Graham-Quirk

Topic

- ✓ Explained about NYCLASS - One way to get more money on bank accounts

V. Public Comments

The Board welcomed Government Students to the meeting

Public Comments

VI. Board Comments

The Board thanked everyone for their hard work. We are on the right path. Thank you for caring about the district.

Board Comments

VII. BOCES Board Updates – Nothing

VIII. Superintendent Updates - Old Business/New Business

Superintendent Updates

Topics

- ✓ Policies – minimal shifts in the policies – will bring to March Meeting
- ✓ Madison County Firefighting EMT Program - Ran into problem – Juniors in Morning/Seniors in pm (Onondaga BOCES run the opposite)
- ✓ AED Locations: Large Gym, Small Gymnasium, Portable for coaches, in PE teacher Office, 2nd floor – will order one for weight Room
- ✓ Next month – will be approving the 2023-2024 School Calendar

IX. Board Action Items

Board Action Items

A. Consent Agenda – Routine Items

Motion: 1st: Degear 2nd: Ackley

*Approved Routine
Consent Agenda
Items*

MOTION, That the Board approve/accept the following Consent Items as set forth on the February 7, 2023 agenda:

1. Approve Minutes: Regular Meeting – January 11, 2023 Regular, January 19, 2023 Special Meeting
2. Approve Claims Auditor Report for January (attached)
3. Approve Claims Auditor Claim # 23-007 (Jan. 2023)- \$195.50 (attached)
4. Approve CSE Recommendations (attached)
5. Tax Collector's Report for 2022-2023 (attached)
6. AIA Agreement with Upstate Companies, LLC as per attached

Vote: Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Consent Agenda – Personnel Items

Motion: 1st: Wiesing 2nd: Benedict

*Approved Personnel
Consent Agenda
Items*

MOTION, That the Board approve/appoint the following Personnel Consent Items as set forth on February 7, 2023 agenda:

1. Leave of Absence

- a. P. Proctor – maternity leave – effective approximately March 20, 2023 through June 30, 2023.

2. Retirement Resignation

- a. P. Camp – Retirement Resignation - from the position as Science Teacher – Effective July 1, 2023 (with the last day of work with DCS being June 30, 2023).
- b. K. O'Brien – Retirement Resignation from the position as Director of Elementary Education and Professional Development effective June 30, 2023.

2. Appointments

- a. J. Sears – Enrichment Program Personnel - \$30/hr.
- b. S. Dorrance – Enrichment Program - \$30/hr.
- c. T. Randall – Substitute TA/Aide, Food Service Worker
- d. A. Creecy – Substitute TA/Aide, Non-Certified Substitute Teacher
- e. E. Stone – Cleaner – Eff. 2/10/23 - \$29,649 (prorated)
- f. V. Paglia – TIP Substitute
- g. Spring 2023 Coaches
 - i. T. Moade – Varsity Track - \$3,916.30
 - ii. TBD – Modified Track
 - iii. R. Barnes – Varsity Softball - \$3,709.40
 - iv. A. Prince – Modified Softball - \$2,164.00
 - v. J. Tiffin – Varsity Baseball - \$3,782.32
 - vi. B. Wright – Modified Baseball - \$2,228.36
 - vii. R. Smith – Golf - \$4,252.44

Vote: Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

C. Municipal Cooperation

Motion: 1st: Ackley 2nd: Wiesing

MOTION, That the Board approve the Municipal Cooperation Resolution with NYCLASS as per attached.

Vote: Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 8, 2023

X. Executive Session (If needed)

Motion: 1st: Degear 2nd: Ackley

MOTION, That the Board adjourn to Executive Session at 7:13 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the employment of a particular person(s) or corporations(s) and contract negotiations.

Vote: Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:25 pm.

XI. Adjournment

*Approved Municipal
Cooperation
Resolution
w/NYCLASS*

Executive Session

Motion: 1st: Wiesing 2nd: Ackley

MOTION, That the Regular Meeting of the DeRuyter Central School Board of Education be adjourned at 8:26 am.

Adjournment

Vote: Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Information provided to the Board: January 2023 Warrants, BOCES Board Member Information

Respectfully Submitted: _____


Sandra Welsh, District Clerk