

DeRuyter Central School  
711 Railroad Street  
DeRuyter, NY 13052

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
6:00 PM – Library/Media Center  
**March 8, 2022**

**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, Daniel Degear (6:24 pm), Dean Hathaway, Bradley Mierke, Jodi Wiesing  
**Members Absent:** None  
**Others Present:** David Brown (6:08 pm), Sandy Welsh, Amanda Graham-Quirk, Kim O’Brien, Jenny Valente, Katy Denkenberger, Donald Hathaway, Pamela Gallerani, Taylor Bass, Emily Elwood, Madelyn Pforter, Keely Worlock, Cameron Barnes

**I. 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 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance immediately followed.

**Call to Order /  
Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. Establish Agenda**

**MOTION** That the Board establish the agenda as presented.

**Established Agenda**

**Motion:** CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mierke  
**Vote:** Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 1 (Degear)

**III. Presentations**

**Presentations**

A. FFA – Preparation Presentation for Sub-States

**FFA**

**Topics**

- Made it through Districts and now on to Sub-States –Agriculture/Pesticides/Ag Issues
- Preparing for presentation at Sub-States Competition
- Gave presentation on the pros/cons of pesticides

B. 2022-2023 Draft Budget – Mrs. Graham-Quirk /Dr. Brown

**2022-2023 Draft  
Budget**

**Topics**

- Revenues increased
- Tax levy/Tax Cap – 2.86%
- Expenditures
- Contractual Obligations
- Required Amounts
- Increased Supplies & Materials
- Included Student Workers for Summer
- Included Capital Outlay
- BOCES Additions – Compliance: Asset Management and Diversity Equity Inclusion (**NOT** CRT) CoSer and Planetarium
- Shared items that contributed to savings

Mr. Degear arrived at 6:24 pm

C. Summer School Presentation – Mrs. Valente

**Topics**

- Will be referred to as “Rocket Land”
- Gave program Overview, Components, Misc. Information
- Question - How many do you anticipate? Between 60-70
- Question - Data – how did those that attended last year’s program –how did the kids do doing the first quarter? Much back sliding??
- Good way to “restart”

IV. Discussion Items

A. April 6, 2022 BOE Meeting – OCM BOCES Annual Meeting

**Topics**

- BOCES Annual Meeting will be in person and will be held on April 6, 2022 at the Main Campus
- Change DCS Board meeting to April 5, 2022
- District Clerk will advertise the change in date

B. Convene a meeting May 17, 2022

**Topics**

- For the purpose of accepting the results of the May 17, 2022 Budget Vote/Board of Education Member Election
- Board Agreed
- District Clerk will advertise this additional meeting

IV. Public Comments - None

V. Board Comments

**Topics**

- Mrs. Wiesing - Cincinnatus likes our newsletter
- Dr. Brown - Elementary Newsletter
- Mr. Degear - Thank you teachers/staff – appreciate it – glad to see faces – great team – thank you
- Mr. Degear - DeRuyter has handled things better than some
- Mr. Rafferty - Students want to wear hats/hoods – researched – 11 out of 16 schools allow hats – would like to update code of conduct to include this.
- Board of Education - Must remove hats/hoods for pledge/national anthem and if a staff member requests it

VI. Superintendent Updates/Administrative Comment

**Topics**

- New COVID guidance – if positive – Home for days 1-5; days 6-10 can return, but must wear a mask. Almost back to 100% normal
- Opening up district
- Play - maskless

X. Board Action Items

A. Consent Agenda – Routine Items

**Presentations**

**Summer School -  
“Rocket Land”**

**Discussion Items**

**OCM BOCES Annual  
Meeting**

**Meeting – 5/17/22**

**Board Comments**

**Superintendent  
Updates/Admin.  
Comments**

**Action Items**

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve/accept the following Consent Items as set forth on the March 8, 2022 agenda:

1. Approve Minutes – February 9, 2022 Regular Meeting and February 16, 2022 Special Meeting
2. Accept Claims Auditor Report – February 2022
3. Approve Claims Auditor Claim - # 22-008 - \$143.38
4. Budget Transfer Dated 2/28/22 in the amount of \$232,782.92
5. Accept Treasurer Reports
6. CSE Recommendations

**Motion:** CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Degear 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mierke  
**Vote:** Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0

**B. Consent Agenda – Personnel**

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve/accept the following Personnel Consent Items as set forth on the March 8, 2022 agenda:

1. Accept the retirement resignation of Pamela Walters from the position of Reading Teacher effective June 30, 2022.
2. Accept the retirement resignation of Michelle Stalder from the position of Teaching Assistant effective June 30, 2022.
3. Appoint Ana Novkovic and Erica Simmons as Substitute Teachers through the OCM BOCES/SUNY Cortland Teacher Immersion Program.
4. Appoint Spring Coaches:  
Varsity Baseball – Jared Tiffin - \$2,839.06; Paul Barnes - Volunteer  
Modified Baseball – Brian Wright - \$2,153.00  
Varsity Softball – Ric Barnes - \$2,783.67  
Modified Softball – Sheri Smith - \$1,689.67; Amy Prince – Volunteer  
Varsity Track – Tom Moade - \$3,041.79  
Modified Track – Pete Camp - \$2,153.00  
Golf – Russ Smith – \$3,247.11

**Motion:** CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mierke  
**Vote:** Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0

**C. Financial**

**1. Memorandums of Agreement**

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve Memorandums of Agreement with the CSEA Local 1000 AFSCME, AFL-CIO regarding wage differential for Teaching Assistants (as attached) and regarding Mentoring of new unit members(as attached).

**Motion:** CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Mierke 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wiesing  
**Vote:** Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0

**2. 2022-2023 Initial Legal Notice**

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve the Initial Legal Notice for the 2022-2023 Budget Vote/Board Election as attached.

**Motion:** CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Degear 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mierke  
**Vote:** Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0

Approved/Accepted  
Routine Consent  
Items

Approved Personnel  
Consent Agenda

Salaries amended at  
4/5/22 BOE Mtg

Approved 2 MOAs  
w/CSEA

Approved 2022-2023  
Initial Legal Notice

**3. Election Inspectors**

**RESOLVED**, That the Board appoint the following as Election Inspectors for the 2022-2023 District Budget Vote/Board Election to be held on May 17, 2022: Judy Browngardt, Roxanne Groves, Bonnie Ziegler, Sandy Camelbeek, Nancy McMaster, Sandy Welsh (Chief Election Inspector).

**Motion:** CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mierke  
**Vote:** Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0

**4. Approve BOCES Final Services Commitment for 2022-2023 with Madison-Oneida BOCES**

**RESOLVED**, That the Board Final Services Commitment for 2022-2023 with Madison-Oneida BOCES for Career & Technical Ed-Non Component at a cost of \$10,002.

**Motion:** CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Mierke 2<sup>nd</sup>: Degear  
**Vote:** Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0

**D. 2022-2023 Board Meeting Calendar**

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve 2022-2023 Board Meeting Calendar as attached.

**Motion:** CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Degear  
**Vote:** Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0

**F. Transportation Request**

**RESOLVED**, That the Board approve the Transportation Request from Mr. & Mrs. Adam Daley for their two (2) sons to the Truxton Academy Charter School for the 2022-2023 school year.

**Motion:** CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Wiesing 2<sup>nd</sup>: Degear  
**Vote:** Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0

**Next Meeting –Regular – April 5, 2022 – 6:00 pm – LMC**

Items included for review/information: February Warrants, Appropriation Status Report, Revenue Status Report

**IX. Executive Session (If needed)**

**X. Adjournment**

**RESOLVED**, That the Regular Meeting of the DeRuyter Central School Board of Education be adjourned at 7:30 pm.

**Motion:** CARRIED 1<sup>st</sup>: Degear 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mierke  
**Vote:** Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 0

**Appointed Election Inspectors**

**Approved BOCES Final Services Commitment for 2022-2023 w/Madison-Oneida BOCES**

**Approved 2022-2023 Board Meeting Calendar**

**Adjournment**

Respectfully Submitted: Sandra J. Welsh  
Sandra J. Welsh, District Clerk