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MINUTES: ANNUAL MEETING

JUNE 5, 2019

HICKORY HILL GOLF COURSE, WARWICK, NY

**Call to Order,
Pledge of Allegiance**

President John Pasichnyk called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM, welcomed all and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introduction of Guests

President Pasichnyk introduced guest Inaudy Esposito from the Orange County Human Rights Commission. He also introduced James Drohan, Neel Choudhury, and Judith Crelin Mayle from Thomas, Drohan, Waxman, Petigrow & Mayle, and recognized the firm of Shaw, Perelson, May & Lambert whose guest were unable to attend. He thanked them all for their generous sponsorship of OCSBA activities throughout the year. John also introduced Patrick Longo from NYSSBA, and John Redman, President of the Florida Union Free BOE and NYSSBA Area 9 Director and made special mention of NYSSBA Executive Director Tim Kremer, who is retiring.

Greeting

NYSSBA Member Relations Manager Patrick Longo welcomed and congratulated new and reelected board members, and spoke about the impact a board member can have upon the students in their respective communities.

Budget Approval

President Pasichnyk recognized Vice President Joseph Flaherty who present the proposed 2018-2019 budget. Joe explained the budget lines, noted that OCSBA membership dues remain unchanged, and then asked for a motion to approve the proposed budget. The budget was then m/s/c.

Election of Officers

President Pasichnyk reported on the Nominating Committee's activity and presented the slate of officers for 2019-2020:

President: John Pasichnyk, Chester
1st Vice President: Joseph Flaherty, Minisink
2nd Vice President: John Williams, Middletown
Treasurer: Mary Vaught, Tuxedo
Secretary: Faith Aprilante, Highland Falls-Fort Montgomery
Executive Director: Karyn Meier

A motion to approve the slate as presented was m/s/c. President Pasichnyk declared the slate approved and thanked the Nominating Committee members for their contributions.

**Dinner,
Recognition of Retiring
Board Members**

President John Pasichnyk announced the start of dinner. After a brief time, he and Executive Director Karyn Meier recognized those board members who were retiring from school board service at the end of the 2018-2019 school year.

Guest Speaker

President Pasichnyk introduced guest speaker Inaudy Esposito, who is the Executive Director of the OC Human Rights Commission. She spoke about the importance of increasing diversity in public education representation, and the value to be gained from understanding how our own personal bias (of which we may be unaware) can inform how we interact with our students, and the impact that bias might have upon school climate.

Adjournment

President Pasichnyk thanked all for attending. Motion to adjourn was m/s/c at 9:03 PM.