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MINUTES: DELEGATES' MEETING May 1, 2019 OU-BOCES, GOSHEN, NY

In Attendance: Bill Boss, Jean Pavsek (OU-BOCES), Sandy Nagler, John Pasichnyk, Frank Sambets (Chester), Larry Berger (Cornwall, OU-BOCES), Margaret Quinn (Cornwall), John Redman (Florida, NYSSBA Area 9), Martha Bogart (Goshen, OU-BOCES), John Williams (Middletown), Joseph Flaherty (Minisink Valley), Meg Vaught (Tuxedo), Sarah Messing (Valley Central), Keith Parsons (Warwick Valley), Robin White (Washingtonville), Karyn Meier (OCSBA). **Guests:** Matthew Fink, Mike McGovern and Lynn McGovern, and Matthew Milnamow from LAN Associates.

- Call to Order** President John Pasichnyk called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance. Our guests were welcomed and OCSBA attendees introduced themselves.
- Approval of Minutes** A motion to approve the minutes of the 3/6/19 meeting was m/s/c.
- Presentation:
Building Makerspaces** Our guests from LAN Associates led a discussion about what learning and physical components are involved in planning for makerspaces, and the need to incorporate flexibility to accommodate evolving tech in the learning environment. They showcased several different examples of makerspaces from a basic plan in a Bronxville school, to an advanced aerospace lab in Bergen County, to a Leonia High School culinary makerspace, as well as new STEAM suite under development in Goshen.
- Nominating Committee** President Pasichnyk reviewed the proposed slate of officers for the 2019-2020 school year, which will be presented and voted on at the Annual Meeting. He thanked the Nominating Committee members: Bill Boss, Joe Flaherty, Deborah Lasch, Sandy Nagler, and Frank Sambets.
- Treasurer's Report &
Budget Committee Report** Treasurer Vaught reviewed OCSBA's latest financials which reflected a modest but satisfactory fund balance slightly in excess of what is being budgeted for next year. Meg also reviewed the proposed 2019-2020 budget which includes no increase in member dues for another year.
- President's Report** President Pasichnyk reminded everyone that our Annual Meeting & Dinner is Wednesday, June 5th at Hickory Hill Golf Course in Warwick, with guest speaker Inaudy Esposito, Executive Director of the Orange County Human Rights Commission to discuss "Educational Leadership- Addressing Diversity & Inclusion". The annual meeting will also seek the approval for the proposed slate of officers for the coming year, and for the 2019-2020 budget. He also reminded people to share any ideas for future presentations with the executive committee which will meet over the summer to plan and to conduct an audit of our financial records.
- Executive Director's
Report** Executive Director Karyn Meier asked NYSSBA Area 9 Director to share news regarding NYSSBA Executive Director Tim Kramer's retirement and search for a successor. Mr. Redman also asked interested districts to submit nominating letters to support his hope to be reelected during the NYSSBA Convention, to another term as the Area 9 Director. Karyn Meier provided updates on various meetings she has attended including County Team, and the OC Complete Count Committee meeting. She also discussed OCSBA's recent Workshop for Prospective Board Members, and gave special thanks to guest speakers Faith Aprilante (Highland Falls), John Marro (Marlboro), and John Pasichnyk for their participation and contributions to the event.
- BOCES Update** Jean Pavsek thanked OCSBA members and their districts for supporting and passing OU-BOCES' budget. She also shared that Ed Estrada (Middletown) will join the BOCES Cooperative Board to fill an open position, as well as Joe Byrne (Valley Central), who will step in to Dave Eaton's seat upon his retirement from the BOCES board.
- Adjournment** President Pasichnyk thanked all for attending. Motion to adjourn was m/s/c at 8:28 PM.