## Orange County School Boards Association

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MINUTES: ANNUAL MEETING

**JUNE 7, 2017** 

VILLA VENEZIA, GOSHEN, NY

Call to Order,
Pledge of Allegiance

President Ron Sommer called the meeting to order at 7:13 PM, welcomed all and led the

audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introduction of Guests President Sommer introduced guests James Drohan, Judith Crelin Mayle, Melissa Knapp, Dan

Petigrow, Stuart Waxman and Laura Wong Pan from the firm of Thomas, Drohan, Waxman, Petigrow & Mayle. He introduced Michael Lambert, Steve Latino, Margo May and Julie Shaw from the firm of Shaw, Perelson, May & Lambert. He thanked them for their generous sponsorship of OCSBA activities throughout the year. Ron also introduced Jay Worona and Tim Kremer from NYSSBA, Robbie Green from MHSSC, John Donoghue formerly with TDWPM, Dottie Slattery from OU BOCES/NYSSBA Area 9, retired superintendent Bill Bassett, and the Doyle family, all attending to recognize special Honoree, Susan Doyle, Executive Director of OCSBA.

**Greeting** President Sommer introduced NYSSBA Executive Director Tim Kremer who congratulated new

and reelected board members, and provided a brief update on NYSSBA activities.

Budget Approval President Sommer recognized the retirement of Executive Director Susan Doyle and reviewed

the past year's transition process between Susan Doyle and Karyn Meier. He then called upon Treasurer Ed Estrada to present the proposed 2017-2018 budget. Ed 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 Sommer reported on the Nominating Committee's activity and presented the slate of

officers for 2017-2018:

President: John Pasichnyk, Chester

1st Vice President: Joseph Flaherty, Minisink

Treasurer: Mary Vaught, Tuxedo

Secretary: JoAnn Reed, Marlboro

Executive Director: Karyn Meier

A motion to approve the slate as presented was m/s/c. Outgoing President Sommer declared the slate approved and thanked the Nominating Committee members, Bill Boss, Dottie Slattery, Joe Flaherty, Ed Estrada, and JoAnn Reed. He turned the meeting over to John Pasichnyk.

Dinner,

Recognition of Retiring Board Members Newly elected President John Pasichnyk thanked and recognized retiring board member and OCSBA President Ron Sommer, and Susan Doyle. He then announced the start of dinner. After a brief time, President Sommer and newly elected Executive Director Karyn Meier recognized those board members who were retiring from school board service at the end of the 2016-2017

school year, presenting retirees with Certificates of Appreciation.

**Guest Speakers** President Sommer introduced guest speakers from NYSSBA, Jay Worona and Tim Kremer, who

shared stories about and gave recognition to retiring Executive Director Susan Doyle. This was followed by a toast given by OCSBA's Legislative Director Bill Boss, and many appreciative comments by guests as noted in Introduction above, also including Jim Drohan and Jason Doyle. Final recognition remarks and award presentation to Susan was delivered by President Ron

Sommer, whereby Susan received a standing ovation from everyone.

**Adjournment** President Sommer thanked all for attending. Motion to adjourn was m/s/c at 9:19 PM.