



Rochester Area Transportation Supervisors Association (RATSA)

February 8, 2024

R-H Transportation Center

10:00 - 12:00

Agenda/Minutes

Attendance:

1. Welcome/Introductions (Monroe and Livingston Counties)
 - a. [Membership Application](#) Dues received from: BOCES 1, Brighton, Brockport, Churchville, Fairport, Greece, Hilton, HF-L Kendall, Penfield, RCSD, R-H, Spencerport, West Irondequoit, Wheatland-Chili, Leonard Bus, Geneseo, Livonia, GV BOCES, Williamson, NYBS
 - b. RATSA OFFICERS:
Dave - President, Shirley - VP, Matt - Secretary, Anthony - Treasurer, Dave D - Alt
 - c. Review of RATSA Account (Treasurer's Report)
 - i. Checking is 5,048.03
 - ii. Savings is 8000.24
 - iii. Total is 13,048.27
 - d. [Distribution List](#) - *see updates*
 - e. [The Constitution](#) needs review. We will allocate 30 min at each meeting for review until it is adopted.
 - f. Nominations Committee - A nominating committee of Three (3) active members, appointed by the President, shall meet and present a slate of officers to the Membership at the April meeting of each year. _____
 - g. First Light sponsorship and Welcome
2. Website
 - a. Explore the possibility of eliminating our website and domain names (costly)
 - b. Ratsa.us page on NYAPT site....domain name, search results and familiarity
3. NYAPT/Legislative Update and NAPT
 - a. Board of Directors 23-24 meetings 9/22-9/23, 12/8-12/9, 3/15-3/16, 6/7-6/8
 1. Sponsorship Update:
 - a. Sponsorship opportunities for Summer Conference
 - i. 1,500 for sponsorship at Summer Conference with RATSA submitted
 2. Winter conference 2024 - 2/21-2/23 Albany Marriott, NAPT 702 class to be offered (GV BOCES, HF-L, DD, Fairport, BOCES 1, Webster)
 3. Summer conference 2024 - 7/8-7/10 Saratoga Hilton (3 days vs. 3.5 days)
 4. GV BOCES training day - Aug 21, 2024 at Pavilion, Darren Everhart - Keynote. Workshops and crash simulation; all day event. Reach out to Dan Proctor if interested in being involved.
 5. NAPT Conference in Tulsa, OK next year (Nov. 2024)
4. Stop Arms- Camera partnership between Monroe County, Bus Patrol and District

- a. Committed: Hilton, Webster, E.I., Boces 1, Brockport, Spencerport, Greece, Pittsford
 - i. Hilton - warning 10/15, live 11/14
 - ii. East Irondequoit - warning 12/14, live Feb 5
 - iii. Webster - warning 1/11, live 2/13
- b. Legislation does sunset June 2024. Be prepared in case it does not renew with NYS.

5. Zero Emissions Bus Initiative

- a. Discussion - Updates from NYBS, Matthews or Leonard
 - 1. EPA Fall Rebate Program
 - a. Application available now thru January 31st
 - b. No Districts considered Priority Districts
 - 2. NYSERDA road map
 - 3. NYSBIP program via NYSERDA (Available to all Districts)
 - a. Till the money is out
 - 4. New Energy (Girardin), Cornice Technology - possible vendors for analysis of your bus fleet and bus lot for conversion to electric
 - 5. NYSSBA - adopted a cease and desist with Initiative, passed overwhelmingly
 - 6. Voter disapproval in Marathon and Adirondack

6. Awards Brunch (Dan)

- a. May 2, 2024 Wildwood CC (\$25)
- b. Bus Manufacturers to sponsor again (\$500 each)
- c. Committee mtg in January (Dan?) (No Barb and Lynn)
- d. Other awards to be given
- e. Format

Dave - Emcee

Dave Christopher - Keynote speaker

10:15 - Welcome and Keynote

10:30 - Brunch

11:15 - Recognize recipients (Pin, Blanket, Certificate)

11:55 - Wrap up

12:00 - Done

Other Awards (Lifetime Achievement?)

7. Driver Shortage/Action Steps

- a. Promote/Recruit (Billboards, Banners, Job Fairs, Sandwich boards, Indeed, Pennysaver, RH video, individual District web sites, pamphlets, booth/table at festivals, Open Houses, Parades, Drive the bus recruitment event, QR codes)
- b. Contract or MOA updates? (RH Drivers +\$2 and Attendants +.50)
- c. Update % shortage below
- d. Strongly encouraged to meet regularly with your SBO or Sup't

8. "Operation Safe Stop" thoughts on a joint event this year (April 26)

- a. Debrief accident procedures and partnership with First Responders
- b. Share details from Julie
- c. Fire grounds of R-H secured, 10:00 start
- d. Subcommittee to plan for the event

9. DMV/ELDT/FMCSA Update All

- a. Testing sites: City (Lake/Ridge, Canandaigua, Warsaw, Leroy, Geneva, Greece)
- b. PA testing, form to be completed beforehand, \$350, old school pre-trip
 - “Do it the way you have been trained” PA accommodating, no plans to not allow NY’ers
- 10. NY Head Mechanic Association update (Rochester Chapter - Peter Marini)
 - a. Summer Seminar in Syracuse (500+) and Summer Mtg in RH (140) feedback
 - b. Next mtg: _____; Summer Seminar July 11, 2024
 - c. Please send Pete Marini names of your mechanics (peter.marini@fairport.org)
- 11. Athletics Updates
- 12. Bus Manufacturers Updates
 - Matthews - Diesel, EV
 - NYBS - Diesel, EV, Gas, Propane (New location in Batavia)
 - Leonard - Diesel, EV
 - State contracts have been awarded, waiting on list
 - All are available to support you with questions, needs
- 13. Next meeting:
 - a. Meetings for 23-24 (2/8 (First Light Safety at 11:00), 3/14, 4/11, 5/9, 6/13)
- 14. Open Forum (All):
 - a.

District Data 23-24

<u>District</u>	<u>% Short</u>	<u>Electric Bus</u>	<u>Stop Arm Program?</u>
Greece	10%	No (3rd party study)	Yes
HF-L	5%	Applying for 2 (3rd party study)	
Penfield	15%		
Hilton	8%	Applying for 2 (Fleet Study)	Yes
Webster	0%	No/Planning	Yes
Livonia	10%	Looking at 1 via EPA	N/A
Brockport	15%	Applying for 2	Yes
BOCES #1	25-30%	Fleet study	Yes
R-H	15%	Fleet study	No
Brighton	15%	N/A	N/A
Gates	5%	Applied for 10 more	No
Churchville	10%		
Spencerport	5%	Looking to apply 1/2	Yes
Fairport	5-8%	Fleet study, 5 phases	
Geneseo	5%	No	N/A
Pittsford	25%	No/Planning	May be
West Irondequoit	0%		
East Irondequoit	26%	No	Yes
Byron Bergen	0%	No plans	
Dansville	20%		N/A
GV BOCES	100%	No/Leasing	N/A
Wheatland-Chili	Down 1	No/Planning/Questions	May be
RCSD	20%	Fleet Study	N/A
Cal-Mum	0%		