



## Rochester Area Transportation Supervisors Association (RATSA)

March 14, 2024

R-H Transportation Center

10:00 - 12:00

### Agenda/Minutes

**Attendance:** Clive MacDougall-Purnell - HF-L, D. Proctor - GV BOCES, C. Heston - Greece, P. Allis - NYBS, S. Smith-Gravanda - R-H, D. Dwyer - ret., J. Kidd - Fairport, S. Alaimo - Fairport, J. Mistretta - Matthews Bus, S. Morrill - RCSD, J. Churnetski - Spencerport, L. Lopez - Brighton, M. Maloy - Brighton, B. Harvey - Leonard Bus, D. Richardson - Greece, P. Marini - Fairport

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, Gates, Cal-Mum, Holley

Membership List

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 4,258.03
- ii. Savings is 8,000.37
- iii. Total is 12,258.40

d. The Constitution needs review. Constitution review completed. Dave will send out with the minutes. Feedback brought to April mtg for review/discussion. Approval in May

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. Need 3: Peter Lawrence, Dave Dwyer, Renee Reagan

**I. Meeting at 11 am on 3/15 to present a slate of officer at April mtg**

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
  - i. Domain set to expire Nov 2024
  - ii. **Propose to let web page expire.**

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. Summer conference 2024 - 7/8-7/10 Saratoga Hilton (3 days vs. 3.5 days)
    - a. RATSA sponsoring a snack break between afternoon sessions (\$1,500)
  2. 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.
  3. NAPT Conference in Tulsa, OK next year (Nov. 2024)
  4. Child Abuse Mandated Reporter training due 4/2/25

5. NHTSA Child Safety Restraint Class at Brockport, 4/2/24 from 8-4 - 10 openings 721-0899. Intended for Drivers, Monitors, Supervisors.
4. Stop Arms- Camera partnership between Monroe County, Bus Patrol and District
  - a. Committed: Hilton, Webster, E.I., Greece, 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
    - iv. Greece - warning 3/15, live 4/15
  - b. Legislation does sunset December 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
    2. NYSBIP program via NYSERDA (Available to all Districts)
    3. New Energy (Girardin), Cornice Technology - possible vendors for analysis of your bus fleet and bus lot for conversion to electric, fleet transition plan
    4. NYSSBA - adopted a cease and desist with Initiative, passed overwhelmingly
    5. Voter disapproval in Marathon and Adirondack
6. "Operation Safe Stop" thoughts on a joint event this year (April 26)
  - a. Debrief accident procedures and partnership with First Responders
  - b. Rush Henrietta Fire Training Ground, Station 6
    - i. 10:00 Press Conference
      1. Dave invited RTE students to share data
      2. Include Bus Patrol data
        - a. Bring a bus with Bus Patrol cameras
      3. Dignitaries/Politicians speak
      4. Chief Cholah explains the Simulation
    - ii. 10:30 Re-enactment of POV and a Bus
      1. Need a Bus and a Car (Shirley)
      2. Fire, Police and EMS walk through a scene
      3. Police to re-enact arresting the car driver (Shirley, Julie)
    - iii. Need to confirm Henrietta Ambulance, MCSO, Henrietta Fire (Julie, Shirley)
    - iv. Need to invite County and State Officials (Julie, Shirley)
    - v. Need to have a press release and media invited (Shirley)
    - vi. Can Vendors provide snacks?
    - vii. Dan will bring sound system for outside if needed
    - viii. Operation Safe Stop RATSA banner created (Fairport)
7. Awards Brunch (Dan)
  - a. May 2, 2024 Wildwood CC (\$25) Perfect Motion Photography (\$500)
  - b. Bus Manufacturers to sponsor again (\$500 each)
 

**Dan soliciting cost for a replacement backdrop? Motion to approve up \$1000**
  - c. March 28th names due, April 19 reservations due
  - d. Other awards to be given - Cert. of Appreciation?
 

**Nominations for a Certificate of Appreciation sent to Dan by March 28th**

**dproctor@gvboces.org**
  - e. Format
 

Dave - Emcee

Dave Christopher - Keynote speaker (confirmed)

10:00 - Welcome and Keynote

10:20 - Special recognition

10:30 - Brunch

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

11:55 - Wrap up

12:00 - Done

Other Awards (Lifetime Achievement?)

#### 8. 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
- e. Uptick in applications

#### 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
- c. PPT's due via Sharepoint

#### 10. NY Head Mechanic Association update (Rochester Chapter - Peter Marini)

- a. Summer Seminar in Syracuse (500+) and Summer Mtg in RH (140)
- b. 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. Supervision for elementary students for afternoon when no one is at the stop
- b. Kodak Center drop off location

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%		