



Rochester Area Transportation Supervisors Association (RATSA)

April 11, 2024

R-H Transportation Center

10:00 - 12:00

Minutes

Attendance: R. Reagan - Webster, T. Flood - Webster, A. DiNatale - BOCES 2, R. Kluth - Brockport, P. Lawrence, J. Churnetski - Spencerport, H. Judd, P. Marini - Fairport, B. Harvey - Leonard Bus, P. Allis - NYBS, Z Given - Matthews Bus, B. Morrow - Matthews Bus, M Schultz - Hilton, R. Mardo - BOCES 1, P. Powell - BOCES 1, D. Richardson - Greece, S. Smith-Gravanda - R-H, D. Proctor - GV BOCES

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, Pittsford, RCSD, R-H, Spencerport, Webster, West Irondequoit, Wheatland-Chili, Leonard Bus, Geneseo, Livonia, GV BOCES, Williamson, NYBS, Gates, Cal-Mum, Holley
Membership List Congrats to Todd Shero - New Director at Churchville 5/13

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 3,448.55
- ii. Savings is 8,000.43
- iii. Total is 11,448.98

d. [The Constitution](#) needs review. Constitution review completed. **NO** Feedback brought to April mtg for review/discussion. Approval proposed for May

f. Nominations Committee - Peter Lawrence, Dave Dwyer, Renee Reagan

- i. Slate for 24-25 to be voted on at May mtg

President - D. Richardson; VP - Matt Schultz;

Secretary - R. Reagan; Treasurer - A. DiNatale

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. Final discussion and VOTE to occur in May

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
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
 - v. BOCES 1 - warning 4/15, live 5/15
 - 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. High electric bills, well over gas and diesel cost per mile
 6. See August reporting template which Districts are required to submit to SED
6. "Operation Safe Stop" thoughts on a joint event this year (April 26) **Please promote!!**
 - 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 (Dave R.)
 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. Henrietta Ambulance, MCSO, Henrietta Fire (Julie, Shirley)
 - iv. County and State Officials (Julie, Shirley)
 - v. Press release and media invited (Shirley)
 - vi. Vendors will provide snacks
 - vii. Dan will bring sound system and pop up tent for outside if needed
 - viii. Smoke machine available from P. Powell if needed (Shirley)
 - ix. Operation Safe Stop RATSA banner created
7. [Awards Brunch](#) (Dan)
 - a. May 2, 2024 Wildwood CC (\$25) Perfect Motion Photography (\$500)
 - b. Bus Manufacturers to sponsor again (\$500 each)

Dan shared new backdrop we purchased for the event
 - c. March 28th names due, April 19 reservations due
 - d. Format
 - Julie, Anthony - greeters
 - Shirley, Dan - pins

Dave - Emcee

Dave Christopher - Keynote speaker (confirmed)

10:00 - Welcome

10:05 - Introduce Vendors

10:10 - Keynote - Dave Christopher

10:20 - Special recognition

10:25 - Invocation

10:30 - Brunch

11:15 - Recognize recipients (Blanket, Certificate)

11:55 - Wrap up

12:00 - Done

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?
- c. Strongly encouraged to meet regularly with your SBO or Sup't

9. DMV/ELDT/FMCSA Update All

- a. Testing sites: City (Lake/Ridge, Canandaigua, Warsaw, Leroy, Geneva, Greece)

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

- a. Summer Seminar July 11, 2024

Dave will send the form out once Peter sends it to him

July 10th will consist of classes being put on by the Bus Vendors

More information can be found here: [New York Head Mechanics Association 2024](#)

- b. Monroe County Mechanics, Aug 22, 7-1 @ RH

- c. Please send Pete Marini names of your mechanics (peter.marini@fairport.org)

11. Athletics Updates, Spring default start time is 5 pm

12. Bus Manufacturers Updates

Matthews - Diesel, EV

NYBS - Diesel, EV, Gas, Propane

Leonard - Diesel, EV

All are available to support you with questions, needs

13. Next meeting:

- a. Meetings for 23-24 (5/9, 6/13)

- b. Meetings for 24-25 (10/10, 11/14, 12/12, 1/9, 2/13, 3/13, 4/10, 5/8, 6/12)

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%		