



2009-2011 CHAPTER OFFICERS

Chuck Paquette – President/Director

Julie Bradish – Vice President/Alt Director

James Dark – Treasurer

Peg Gilbert – Secretary

MINUTES OF CHAPTER MEETING Wednesday, January 13, 2010

Today's meeting was held at North Syracuse Transportation Dept. President Chuck Paquette called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. There were 29 members present. Thank you very much to Ted Finlaysen-Schuler for sponsoring today's meeting and providing lunch.

Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Dave Deuel, seconded by Pat Bailey, to accept the minutes from our last meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Scott Gablenz, seconded by Rick Abend to accept the Treasurer's Report from the last meeting with a balance carried forward of **\$2,621.48**. The balance carried forward in our Professional Development fund is **\$1,124.50**. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Financial Status progress report for our association. We have received some \$12,825 in donations and \$5,000 in corporate program sponsorships (for the law course). This amount includes some \$1,700 that will be realized over the course of the year in monthly installments and is not readily available for use. Donations have come from the mix of individuals, chapters and companies.

We have sad news to report to our members. Mike McLoughlin lost his battle with cancer and passed away on 1-8-09. Faye Stevens's son passed away and Steve Wilm, a driver for Liverpool CSD passed away in December. Our prayers and thoughts go out to each of their families.

"Be the change for Kids" campaign was unveiled by the NYS School Boards Association, in partner with NYAPT to look into the growing costs of operating our schools in these tough economic times and how to reduce these costs (including transportation). We are encouraged to check out the website www.bethechangeforkids.org/ and to follow the page to a Facebook site to leave any feedback for these ideas.

Committee Reports:

Legislative Committee: No Report at this time.

Poster Contest Committee: Deb Stevens reports that the poster contest for the rodeo is on the NYAPT website and we are encouraged to drum up excitement to students about drawing posters for the contest. We had 3 national winners from NYS last year!! That's a great accomplishment. Let's shoot for another 3 this year! The posters are due in May.

Road-eo: Dave Deuel reports that we are still looking into having the lunch service catered and that prices are being looked into. The Rodeo is May 22, 2010 at the usual spot at the Oswego County Fairgrounds.

Special Needs: No Report at this time.

Non – Public Bell Times: No Report at this time.

Long Range Planning + Professional Development: No Report at this time.

Pupil Safety Committee: No Report at this time.

Safety Camp: Chuck Paquette reports that safety camp is still on for June 25 – 27 at Hobart College. The cost will be \$150.00 per student. The registrations materials can be found on the NYAPT website.

Membership Committee: No Report at this time.

SBDI/MI Advisory: No Report at this time.

Operation Safe Stop: No Report at this time.

Old Business

Are your dues paid? Chuck and Pat are always open armed to accept the dues. The National Safety Council is still looking for members to take their Instructor Development Course. If interested, let Chuck know by Jan 29th.

NYAPT is on Facebook. Check it out!!

The CYR foundation encourages members to sign up for the Law course being offered. This is a great way to learn about the laws surrounding student transportation. The classes are filling up quickly.

New Business

Chuck Paquette motioned to accept new business and Julie Bradish seconded the motion.

In honor of Steve Wilm, Dave Deuel discussed donating the 1st place trophy in the transit division to the Roadeo in his honor. Steve was a frequent winner in the transit division and represented us in the State competition as well. Bob Peters offered to pay for the trophy in some manner whether it be from the district or donations.

Southern Cayuga joins the Chapter. We welcome them and thank them for the support. We hope it's a long and fruitful coalition.

Retired honorees invited to meeting. We will honor 3 folks, Ruth Koch, Don Harwood and Walt Butler for continued service to the chapter.

Round Table

Ted F	PDS ready to go!
Ray Dunham	Everything is good
Al Humbert	Everything is good
Deb Stevens	Surviving winter battle!
Greg Henrie	Everything is good
Deb Lilley	Everything is great at SCSD
Pat Bailey	Everything is great at SCSD

Dave Deuel	Judy says Hi! Operation went well and happy new year
Shelley Oriley	Things are well
Carl Catlin	Everything is good
Ty Warrel	Everything is good
Terri Kuss	Wants a snow day!
Laura D'Arcangelis	Everything is good
Joel Meade	Has a lot of snow!
Rick Abend	Living the Dream!
Bob Peters	District has aggressive Superintendent. Routes will look different in Sept.
Michelle Cooper	Good/Bad start to New Year. Faye says hi.
Trish Jubinville/Irene	Email or call for info on Instructor Course
Sharon Morsdorf	Everything's good!
Carol Hawk	Needs a snow day! 30 hour course is being held @ Weedsport
Diane Miano	Everything's good
Donna Benjamin	Everything is well
Tammy Payne	So far so good
Mike Janisch	Nice to have new transp. Building. Spoke to Admin about budget cuts in NS.
Jason Laroche	Tired of this weather!!
Julie Bradish	Everything's good
Chuck Paquette	Lost 69 lbs and looking forward to cruise in Feb!

50 –50 today was won by Julie Bradish (\$25) –Congratulations Julie!!

Thank you again Ted for sponsoring today's meeting and for the morning refreshments and great lunch.

A very special THANK YOU to Jason Laroche for taking minutes for me at today's meeting.

Adjournment & next meeting information

A motion was made by Carol Hawk, seconded by Dave Deuel adjourn today's meeting @ 11:30. Motion carried.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 10 @ Liverpool Transportation Department.

**Respectfully submitted:
Peg Gilbert**