



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, February 10, 2010

Today's meeting was held at the Liverpool Transportation Dept. President Chuck Paquette called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. There were 23 members present. Thank you to Bob Peters for hosting our meeting today.

Secretary's Report

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

Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Jason Laroche, seconded by Bob Peters to accept the Treasurer's Report from the last meeting with a balance carried forward of **\$2672.48** The balance carried forward in our Professional Development fund is **\$1124.50**. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Today, we welcomed JoAnne Decker from the Onondaga County Department of Aging and Youth. JoAnne has spent the last 20 years in a Social Services setting, 9 years at the Department of Social Services and 11 years for the Department of Aging and Youth. She spoke to us about what the Department does for "mature" persons who have either retired and want to re-enter the workforce or want to get out and be a part of working society. Her information was very informative, and we had many members ask questions about our own mature workers that are still out of the roads driving buses and attending. The premise: H.I.R.E. (honor, integrity, respect, and evolution) has been a mantra at the Dept. to remember that Mature workers are just as viable as younger ones and that they bring many positive attributes to the work force. Thank you JoAnne for bringing this very pertinent issue to light for us.

We received a thank you card from Peter Mannella for the donation of \$500.00 we made to the State chapter. He cited us as being dedicated and loyal to the mission of NYAPT.

We received a card from Faye Stevens thanking us for the well wishes we sent on the loss of her son.

We received an email from John McCormick nominating Wine LaDue and Darothy D'Angelo into the Hall of Fame.

Peter Mannella forwarded us a story on a defective 06' Chevy Suburban bus out in Joliet, Illinois that caught fire after it was reported that the heater motor kept running even after the vehicle was shut off. This is cause for alarm here in our area because many of our Districts and Contractors have these types of vehicles.

Committee Reports:

Mike Janisch reports that scholarship applications are due by April 1st.

Bob Peters reports that some of the sites for the Law Course and Dispatcher Course are almost full. The classes may be offered again in the future.

Legislative Committee:**Poster Contest Committee****Road-eo:**

Deb Stevens reports that the rodeo will be May 22nd, 2010 at the Oswego County Fairgrounds. The food will be catered by RJ's From Adams, NY. It will be a chicken BBQ style meal. We are looking into the possibility of making a donation to the fairgrounds for letting us use their facility, so that we remain in good graces for future road-eos. The registration forms for the road-eo can be found on the CNYAPT website.

Special Needs:**Non – Public Bell Times:****Long Range Planning + Professional Development:****Pupil Safety Committee:**

Safety Camp: Chuck Paquette reports that safety camp is still on for June 25 – 27 at Hobart College. The enrollment numbers need to reach 100 people by March 1st or the camp will be cancelled. Please encourage any employees or friends to sign up for this fun and informative weekend.

Membership Committee:**SBDI/MI Advisory:****Operation Safe Stop:*****Old Business***

Are your dues paid? Chuck and Pat are always open armed to accept the dues.

The National Safety Council has 7 people interested in the Instructor Development course. They will be having a class and the dates and location are TBA.

NYAPT is on Facebook. Check it out !!

Bus parts bidding through BOCES is in the works. Templates are being tweaked and given to local outfits to review the process and start using it on a full time basis.

The CDL road test site is at the fairgrounds now. The D.O.T. has decreed that these CDL test's are to be given at a location separate from the regular road tests. The DMV also wanted to include a "live" set of RR tracks on the road test course.

New Business

The state has mandated that all new bus drivers from here on out will be fingerprinted electronically by an L1 facility. The only facility in our area is located on Burnet Ave. The process seems to be fairly easy and the payment for these prints will go directly to the collection site, NOT to the DMV.

Raffle tickets for the Road-ee need to be printed. The cost of this would be around \$70.00. Rich from Bus Parts Warehouse has graciously donated the money to cover the cost of the printing. THANK YOU to Rich for being a generous and loyal supporter of our membership!!

A donation to the Oswego County Fairgrounds is being looked into. We want to maintain a good relationship with the Fairgrounds and a monetary donation would be a good PR move. The legality of the donation is uncertain and it is being looked into.

<i>Round Table</i>

Ted F	SBDI course is On!
Helen Duda	Stressed over school closing
Karen Cowherd	Easy winter
Deb Stevens	Position has been eliminated. Fishing is good on Sandy Pond
Sue Stearns	New Jackets for drivers
Loree Mandara	Guest today
Pat Bailey	Everything is great at SCSD. No snow days yet
Robin Cashel	Quiet since Christmas
Shelley Oriley	Everything is good
John Cunningham	Looking forward to a snow day
Ty Warrel	Everything is good. Having internal audit in the shop
Terri Kuss	Wants a snow day!
Laura D'Arcangelis	No news in good news
Ika Klapan	Looking forward to some vacation days. Voting for Bob
Linda Robinson	Judy still home. Everything is well
Bob Peters	Running for VP of NYAPT. He has spoken enough
James Dark	New found respect for safety supervisors after responding to accidents
Mike Janisch	GPS on 105 buses
Jason Laroche	New GM at Durham
Julie Bradish	Thank you to everyone who responded to email. New bus garage construction in April. Mexico will have UPK next year.
Chuck Paquette	Lost 83 lbs and looking forward to cruise!

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

Thank you again Bob Peters for hosting our meeting!!

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

<i>Adjournment & next meeting information</i>

A motion was made by Chuck Paquette, seconded by Julie Bradish to adjourn today's meeting at 12:15. Motion carried.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, March 10 at Central Square Transportation Department.

**Respectfully submitted:
Peg Gilbert**