

New York Coalition for Open Government

Thursday November 10, 2022, 6:30 PM

Via Zoom

Email paulwolf2@gmail.com for the meeting link

Public Comments Are Welcome At Any Time During Our Meetings. Don't Be Shy To Ask A Question Or To Make A Point!

AGENDA

1) Meeting Minutes from October 13, 2022 **PG 3-4**

2) Treasurer's Report – 80 members (from 26 counties), \$4,542.24 **PG 5**

3) Board Elections – Our 12 board positions are for 2 year staggered terms. Six seats are up in January 2023. The following board members terms expire in January: Paul Wolf, Steve Lyle, Suzanne Kelly, Alberta Roman, Mary Lou Cebula and Joe Kissel. All board members except Joe Kissel have expressed an interest in continuing to serve.

If you are interested in filling the expected vacant board seat, please send an email to paulwolf2@gmail.com expressing your interest with a copy of your resume. The Executive Committee of the board will consider the applicants and make a recommendation to the board at the January meeting. The Coalition board makes the decision on filling board seats.

At the January meeting the board will also address the appointment of the following officer positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Our current officers are:

President – Paul Wolf

Vice President – Joe Kissel

Treasurer – Janet Vito

Secretary – Alberta Roman

All of the current officers have expressed interest in continuing to serve except for Joe Kissel. If you are interested in serving as Vice President please send an email expressing your interest with a copy of your resume to paulwolf2@gmail.com .

3) 2022 Calendar **PG 6-7**

4) NY Committee on Open Government Letters **PG 8-12**

5) Attorney General Letter **PG 13-14**

6) Valley Stream Letter **PG 15-16**

7) Legislative Priorities **PG 17-25**

8) Open Meetings Law Committee Minutes

Report by Committee Chair Joe Kissel

A) Gathering information on Report Regarding Private Caucus Meetings Held By Governmental Bodies At The Local Level.

B) Gathering information for a report reviewing towns across the state as far as whether meeting documents and minutes are being posted online.

9) Freedom of Information Law Committee Minutes

Report by Committee Chair Maria Tisby

A) Discussed Town of Vestal Lawsuit

B) Discussed FOIL Scorecard/Checklist

10) Public Relations/Education Group **PG 26**

Report by Chair Michelle Allen

A) Proposed nonpartisan policy for Board discussion **PG 27**

B) Forming Regional Advisory Councils – There is interest in the Albany area

11) New Business

12) Next Meetings

Open Meetings Law Committee November 17th, at 4:00 pm

Freedom of Information Law Committee November 17th, at 1:00 pm

Public Relations Education Group December 1st, at 3:00pm

Coalition Board Meeting December 8th, 6:30 pm