

DISCUSSION/WORK SESSION

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Long, Board President, at 7:14 P. M.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mr. Long.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mrs. Marian R. Acon
Mr. Lawrence Blackwell
Mrs. Annette Hubbard – Via cell phone
Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard
Mr. James M. Long
Mr. Thomas W. Majors
Mr. Floyd B. Tame

Absent:

Mr. George A. Bauer
Mrs. Christine Kronk

NON-VOTING MEMBERS AND ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Jane Bovalino
Miss Amanda Cwynar

Mrs. Kathleen Onuska
Mr. Louis Paul Campisi
Mr. Ryan Herstine

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS:

There were no citizens wishing to address the Board on agenda items.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the October 23, 2017 Voting Session were submitted for the Board's perusal. They will be on the November 20, 2017 agenda for approval.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Bovalino reported that an invitation had been received to the Heritage and Society Open House being held on December 2, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and December 3, 2017 from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 p.m.

Dr. Bovalino reported that the Bond closing was today, November 13, 2017 and the documents were signed. They were very pleased with the results. The District was able to issue \$2,395,000 in bonds with interest yields ranging from 1.15% to 2.75%. This bond issue resulted in cashflow savings to the District of more than \$74,000 (present value of \$67,000). It will also contain \$325,000 in capital that will be deposited with the District to reimburse itself for capital projects incurred this summer.

Dr. Bovalino also reported that as part of a grant received through the Office of the Attorney General, Rochester, along with the other school in the County, are conducting Community Drug Awareness and Information Evenings. The event we are sponsoring along with New Brighton and Beaver Falls, will be held on Wednesday, November 15, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at New Brighton High School. There will also be a thirty-minute question and answer period. The agenda includes law enforcement, drug enforcement agents, counselors, and personal testimony from recovering addicts. If you are unable to attend the event at New Brighton, similar events will be held at Freedom on December 13th, and Beaver on January 24th.

It was reported by Dr. Bovalino that Rochester Area School District is required to complete a Comprehensive Plan every six years. We submitted our plan last November. The Pennsylvania Department of Education changed our submission cycle and we are required to submit the plan again this month.

Dr. Bovalino reported that our Nutrition Service Leader, Tonya Conrad, has been transferred to another school district. Jenny Pearson is joining our staff as the Nutrition Service Leader. Jenny comes to us from Shaler Area School District and has been in food service for twenty-five years. Jenny and Kim Cassidy will be at the November 20th meeting to provide a review of our programs.

The Community Carol Sing and Light-Up Night will be held on Sunday, December 3, 2017. Between the District and the Beaver Valley Choral Society, we have many activities planned! WBVP Radio Station will be on site for a live broadcast. A flyer will be in the Beaver County Times and posted around the community.

Dr. Bovalino stated that a reminder had been received from the Beaver County Career and Technology Center regarding the need to elect a representative and alternate to serve on the BCCTC JOC, each for a three-year term. We will make the decision on December 4.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Attorney Shannon Steele was present this evening and stated that she had updated the Board on the yearbook issue prior to the meeting.

BOARD COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:

The Board discussed the items on the agenda. There was no action taken as this was a Discussion/Work Session.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

There were no citizens wishing to address the Board at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:35 p.m. Mr. Majors motioned to adjourn this meeting as there was no further business for this evening. Ms. Michelle Hubbard seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carol Gross / LAK". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Carol Gross
Board Secretary