

August 7, 2023

VOTING SESSION MEETING

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Marian Acon, Board President, at 7:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mrs. Marian Acon.

ROLL CALL

Present

Mrs. Marian R. Acon
Mr. Randall Bacon
Mr. Lawrence Blackwell
Mr. Dale Daman
Mrs. Jocelyn Haskins
Ms. Michelle Hubbard
Mrs. Christine Kronk
Mr. Thomas W. Majors

Absent

Mr. Floyd Tame

NON-VOTING MEMBERS and ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Dr. Jane Bovalino
Ms. Rachael Cipolla
Mr. Lou Campisi
Ms. Amanda Cwynar
Mr. Michael Daman
Mr. Ryan Herstine
Mr. Nathan Leeman
Mrs. Kathy Onuska

CORRESPONDENCES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

There was no correspondence to come before the Board.

CITIZEN INPUT – ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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

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MINUTES

Ms. Hubbard motioned to approve the June 26, 2023 Voting Meeting and the June 26, 2023, Committee meetings, respectfully submitted by Mrs. Sharmane Campisi. Mr. Bacon seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Bovalino acknowledge he following members of the Board for their years of dedication and service and were presented a certificate.

Mr. Blackwell – 8 years of service
Mrs. Acon – 12 years of service
Ms. Hubbard – 12 years of service.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Attorney Garen Fedeles was not present at this meeting. Attorney Shannon Steele was present and reported that the Board had an Executive Session to discuss litigation.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. Bacon motioned to approve the following items:

1. Treasurer's Report for the month of June.
2. Payment of Bills
 - a. General Fund: \$2,423,239.58
 - b. Cafeteria Fund: \$69,200.27
3. Monthly Financial Reports
 - General Fund – Revenue Report
 - General Fund – Expenditure Report
 - Cafeteria Fund – Revenue Report
 - Cafeteria Fund – Expenditure Report
4. Informational Reports
 - Tax Collector Reports
 - Bills to be Approved

Mr. Daman seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

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Mr. Bacon motioned to approve Items 1 through 9 as listed:

1. Approve the request made by Tina Verrico to exonerate all taxes, penalties and interest on Parcel No. 47-002-1408.000, at 359 Reno Street, Rochester, PA 15074. This property has been in the repository since December 7, 2015. Total delinquent taxes are \$2,350.
2. Approve the request made by Nicole Cinicola to exonerate all taxes, penalties and interest on the following Parcel No. 49-001-1717.000 524 Lincoln Street, Rochester, PA 15074 and 49-001-1718.000 530 Lincoln Street, Rochester, PA 15074 The properties have been in the repository since April 26, 2016. Total delinquent taxes are \$3,470.25.
3. Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Adagio Health (AHI) to provide Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP-ED) education, training and activities for the 2023-2024 school year.
4. Approve the 2023-2024 contract for Special Education Programs and Services through the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit at a cost of \$44,500.00 per student.
5. Approve the Educational Services Agreement with CLASS Academy to purchase one (1) seat for the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of \$20,130.
6. Approve the following substitute rates and agreement with Kelly Educational Services (attached) effective immediately.

Position	Rate	Contracted through Kelly
Substitute Teachers	\$150/day	Yes
Substitute Teachers (45 consecutive days in same placement)	\$200/day	Yes
Paraprofessionals (eCert or PA Cert)	\$10.50/hour	Yes
Paraprofessionals (Non-Certified)	\$10.25/hour	Yes
Summer School/After School Tutoring	\$25/hour	Yes
Clerical	\$11.25/hour	Yes
Custodian	\$10.25/hour	No
Food Service	\$10.25/hour	No

7. Approve the Educational Services Agreement with The Bradley Center to provide Educational Services for the 2023-2024 school year. The cost for services listed is per day per child based on the student's placement.

Special Education	\$187.51
Life Skills	\$193.14
Transitions	\$198.93
Special Education/45 day placement	\$204.90
Autism	\$211.05

8. Approve the Educational Services Agreement with The School at McGuire Memorial to provide educational services for the 2023-2024 school year, at a cost of \$64,752.73.

9. Approve the Off-Campus Interpreting Services with Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf to provide Interpreting Services for a student beginning the 2023-2024 school year at a cost of \$23,000.

Mr. Daman seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

TEACHERS AND PERSONNEL

Ms. Hubbard motioned to approve Items 1-12 as listed:

1. Approve Dr. Lance Rose and Dr. Katherine Rose to serve as the District's School Dentist for the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of \$15.00 per student.
2. Approve Kristin Wagner to serve as the English as a Second Language (ESL) teacher at a rate of \$52,295 effective the 2023-2024 school year (BA+12, Step 1, Level 1).
3. Approve the revised job description for the Chief of Security/School Police Officer position.
4. Approve Cory Zelenak to serve as the Chief of Security/School Police Officer at a salary of \$70,000, effective September 1, 2023.
5. Approve the five (5) year Affiliation Agreement with Pennsylvania Western University for their students to participate in the practicum or student teaching experience with Rochester Area School District beginning the 2023-2024 school year and ending the 2027-2028 school year.
6. Approve the following Inductees and their Mentors (teacher induction will be held on August 8 and 9, 2023):

Mentor

Elise Gorman
Jill Gilarno
Tonya Onuska
Joe Barsic

Inductee

Samantha George (STEAM K-6)
Kristin Wagner (ESL K-12)
Bill Messner (Long-Term Substitute Teacher for Jill Walsh)
James Onuska (Intern for Jessica Dorian, pending meeting RMU Requirements)

7. Accept the resignation of Glory Shychuck from the supplemental position of National Honor Society Sponsor, effective July 6, 2023.
8. Approve the following individuals to serve as the Kinder Camp Staff. Kinder Camp is scheduled for Thursday, August 24, 2023.

Denver Altieri, Kindergarten Teacher
Lori Anthony, Kindergarten Teacher
Hailee Bachman, Kindergarten Teacher
Alexandra Javens, Special Education Teacher
Tara Spiker, Special Education Teacher
Heather Denes, Reading Specialist
Sherri Nicols, Reading Specialist
Jill Gilarno, Speech Teacher

9. Approve Rose McCoy to serve as the Nurse Paraprofessional for Kinder Camp which is scheduled for Thursday, August 24, 2023.
10. Approve Vicki Henley to serve as the full-time Elementary Life Skills (Grades 3-5) Paraprofessional at a rate of \$11.90 per hour commencing the 2023-2024 school year (clearances on file).
11. Accept the resignation of Jennifer Pittman from the position of full-time High School Paraprofessional effective July 19, 2023.
12. Approve Mrs. Tina Buckeheimer's request to enroll her non-resident children, grade 9 and grade 4, for the 2023-2024 school year.
13. Approve Mr. Joseph Palakovich to serve as a part-time Security Guard at a rate of \$10.25 per hour effective July 24, 2023.

Mr. Bacon seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY

Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve the revised 2023-2024 School Calendar (see attached). The change reflects an Act 80 Day on Thursday, November 9, 2023, for Elementary only, for Parent/Teacher conferences. Ms. Hubbard seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve the following policies:

<u>Policy</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Title</u>
819 (revised)	Operations	Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response

Mr. Majors seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Mr. Bacon motioned to approve Items 1-5 as listed:

1. Approve the request made by Rochester Borough and Rochester Township Police Departments to use the building to host a Town Hall Meeting to discuss Police Regionalization on Thursday, August 10, 2023. There is no charge.
2. Approve the re-execution of the Memorandum of Understanding between Rochester Township Police Department and the Rochester Area Middle School/High School, as required by the Safe Schools Act.
3. Approve the re-execution of the Memorandum of Understanding between Rochester Township Police Department and the Rochester Area Elementary School, as required by the Safe Schools Act.

4. Approve the request made by Little Rams Football to use the Football Stadium to host their football games on September 9, 23, 30, 2023 and on October 7, 2023 (insurance on file). There is no charge.
5. Approve the request made by the Varsity Women's Basketball Coach, C.J. Iannini, to host a free Youth Basketball Camp for the Community on August 17, 2023. There is no charge.

Ms. Hubbard seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

ATHLETICS

Mr. Blackwell motioned to approve Items 1-2 as listed:

1. Approve the following individuals to be added to the approved volunteer list (clearances on file):

Justin Crossland (Volunteer, High School Assistant Football Coach) Matt Noll (Volunteer, Assistant Golf Coach)

2. At the recommendation of Head Football Coach, Gene Matsook, approve the following football coaching positions (stipends are aligned with board approved schedules):

Football - Asst. Coach/Offensive Coordinator	Laure, Samuel	\$2,065.34
Football - 2nd Asst.	Yunt, Matthew	\$1,320.84
Football - 3rd Asst.	Bedekovich, Matthew	\$1,066.06
Football - 7 & 8 Head (MS)	Norman, Van	\$1,501.11
Football - 7 & 8 Asst. (MS)	Sarver, Michael	\$1,000.00

Mr. Majors seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

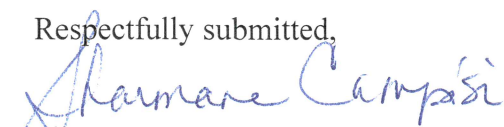
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for this evening, Ms. Hubbard motioned to adjourn this meeting at 7:11 p.m. Mrs. Haskins seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,


Sharmane Campisi,
Board Secretary

ROCHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Monday, August 7, 2023

ATTENDANCE

SCHOOL BOARD

P	Mrs. Marian Acon
P	Mr. Randall Bacon
P	Mr. Lawrence Blackwell
P	Mr. Dale Daman
P	Mrs. Jocelyn Haskins
P	Miss Michelle Hubbard
P	Mrs. Christine Kronk
P	Mr. Tom Majors
AB	Mr. Floyd Tame

ADMINISTRATION AND PRESENTERS

P	Dr. Jane Bovalino
	Mr. Rodney Bobin
P	Mr. Lou Campisi
P	Ms. Rachael Cipolla
P	Dr. Amanda Cwynar
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	Mr. Ryan Herstine
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COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES, 6:00 p.m.

Curriculum

Elementary Principal Ms. Cipolla reviewed the elementary Building Level Plan & Title I Schoolwide Plans. The plan will be placed on the August 28th agenda for formal board approval.

Policy

Dr. Bovalino reviewed the following policy revisions which will be added to the August 28th agenda for formal board approval:

1. [006 - Local Board Procedures](#)
2. [216.1 - Supplemental Discipline Records](#)
3. [251 - Students Experiencing Homelessness](#)
4. [622 - GASB Statement 34](#)
5. [819](#) - Suicide Awareness Prevention and Response

Executive Session

Prior to the board voting meeting, Attorney Shannon Steele discussed pending litigation in an Executive Session.