VOTING SESSION

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Michelle Hubbard, Vice President, at 7:10 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Ms. Michelle Hubbard.

ROLL CALL:

Present	Absent
Mrs. Marian R. Acon	Mr. Randall E. Bacon
Mr. Lawrence E. Blackwell	Mrs. Annette R. Hubbard
Mr. Patrick J. Cunningham	Mr. Brian C. May
Ms. Michelle Hubbard	Mr. Floyd B. Tame
Mrs. Christine S. Kronk	

NON-VOTING MEMBERS AND ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Jane Bovalino	Mrs. Kathleen Onuska
Mr. Michael Damon	Mr. Ryan Herstine
Ms. Amanda Cwynar	
Mr. Nick Long	

CORRESPONDENCES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

Dr. Bovalino reported that she had received a letter from Jamie Connelly, Executive Director of the Beaver County Educational Trust. She asked that the Board please join her in congratulating the following teachers on receiving BCET mini grants as follows:

Ms. Hailee LaValle - $1,000 – Gardening
Mrs. Denise Lyons - $500 – Family and Consumer Science Gardening
Ms. Brandy Rossi - $500 – Courtyard Garden
Mr. Isaac Dixon - $500 – Recreational Gardening for Health and Fitness

Dr. Bovalino also stated that the staff members are collaborating on a project to beautify the courtyard.

CITIZEN INPUT – ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Mr. Tom Daman, 578 Jefferson Street, Rochester, spoke regarding "points of order" regarding the motion to approve the bonds at the February 22nd meeting.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Tony Ziegler presented the MARCH Students of the Month. Eighth (8th) grader, Gianna Sisco, was present to receive her award. Also recognized were: 6th – Kaiden Merz and 7th - Destiny Campbell.

Mr. Ziegler also commended the Board and the administration for their work and diligence in maintaining a safe working environment and keeping our students in school since August, with a short need to go virtual before Thanksgiving.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the February 22, 2021 Voting Meeting and the March 8, 2021 Discussion Meeting were approved by motion of Mr. Blackwell, second of Mrs. Kronk with the following voting results: Yea: Mrs. Acon, Ms. Michelle Hubbard, Mr. Blackwell, and Mrs. Kronk: Nay: Mr. Cunningham. This motion carries by a 4-1 vote.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Bovalino had nothing further to report at this time.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Attorney Garen Fedeles reported that an executive session had been held prior to this meeting to discuss a personnel matter.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM:

At the February 22, 2021 Voting Meeting the Board unanimously approved Bradley Garrone's request to exonerate the delinquent school real estate taxes on Parcel No. 4**7**-002-0836.000. The incorrect parcel was listed. Let the record show the correct parcel is 4**9**-002-0836.000.

BOARD COMMITTEE ACTIONS

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

Mr. Blackwell motioned to approve item 1 as listed:

1. Approve to renew the agreement with the American Red Cross for use of the school facility as a disaster relief operation in the event of a major disaster.

   Mrs. Kronk seconded the above motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

ATHLETICS:

Mr. Blackwell motioned to approve items 2 through 4 as listed:

2. At the recommendation of Brian Verrico, Head Baseball Coach, approve Eddie Lyons to be added to serve as a volunteer assistant baseball coach (clearances on file).
3. At the recommendation of C.J. Iannini, Varsity Women's Head Basketball Coach, approve the movement of Dan Sisco from the supplemental position of 7th & 8th Grade Women's Basketball Assistant Coach to revert back to his volunteer assistant coach position effective the 2021-2022 school year.
4. At the recommendation of C.J. Iannini, Varsity Women's Head Basketball Coach, approve Bethany Barto to serve as the 7th & 8th Grade Women's Basketball Assistant Coach effective the 2021-2022 school year, at a supplemental base salary of $700 (clearances on file).

Mrs. Kronk seconded the motion to approve items 2 through 4 as listed and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mr. Blackwell motioned to approve items 5 and 6 as listed:

5. Accept the resignation of Dawn Thompson from the position of 2nd Assistant Softball Coach effective February 24, 2021.
6. At the recommendation of Head Softball Coach, Michael Cunning, approve Joe Mavero to serve as the 2nd Assistant Softball Coach at a supplemental base salary of $700 effective immediately (clearances on file).

Mrs. Kronk seconded the above motion to approve items 5 and 6 as listed and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Mr. Cunningham motioned to approve the item 7 as listed:

7. Approve the first reading of the following new and revised policies:

Policy No.	Section	Title
137.1 (new)	Programs	Extracurricular Participation by Home Education Students
150 (revised)	Programs	Title I – Comparability of Services
810 (revised)	Operations	Transportation
810.1 (revised)	Operations	School Bus Drivers and School Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers (Updated from PSBA) (previously titled Drug/Alcohol Testing – Covered Drivers)

810.2 (revised)	Operations	Transportation – Video/Audio Recording (previously titled Conduct/Disciplinary Matters on School Buses).
810.3 (revised)	Operations	School Commercial Motor Vehicle Drivers and School Vehicle Drivers (previously titled Change Transportation – Video/Audio Recording)
910 (revised)	Community	Public Relations Objectives
902 (revised)	Community	Publications Program
903 (revised)	Community	Public Participation in Board Meetings
904 (revised)	Community	Public Attendance at School Events
904.2 (review)	Community	Domestic Animals on District Property
905 (review)	Community	Citizen Advisory Committees
906 (review)	Community	Public Complaint Procedures

Mrs. Kronk seconded the motion to approve the new and revised policies as listed under item 7 and the motion was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY:

Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve item 8 as listed:

8. The request for an honorary diploma for Charles Werthman (D.O.B. 11/12/1927). In 1944, Mr. Werthman left Rochester High School to join the military as an enlisted soldier fighting in World War II.

Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

FINANCE AND TRANSPORTATION:

Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve the following financial reports and bills as listed in items 9 through 11:

9. Treasurer's Report for the month of February.

10. Payment of Bills:

General Fund	$394,609.25
Cafeteria Fund	$ 30,399.55

11. Monthly Financial Reports
    General Fund – Revenue Report
    General Fund – Expenditure Report
    Cafeteria Fund – Revenue Report
    Cafeteria Fund – Expenditure Report Informational Reports
    Tax Collector Reports
    Bills to be Approved

Mr. Blackwell seconded the above motion approving items 9 through 11 and it was approved unanimously upon a roll call vote.

Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve item 12 as listed:

12. Approve the agreement between Rochester Area School District and Kennywood Park for the 2021 School Picnic to be held on Thursday, July 1, 2021.

Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion to approve item 12 and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

TEACHERS AND PERSONNEL:

Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve items 13 through 15 as listed:

13. Approve Sarah Stewart's request to extend her unpaid leave of absence through Wednesday, May 5, 2021.

14. Approve the Voluntary Retirement Incentive Program for the Professional Staff valid the 2020-2021 school year.

15. Approving the Voluntary Retirement Incentive Program for the Support Staff (Non-professional employees) valid the 2020-2021 school year.

Mr. Blackwell seconded this motion approving 13 through 15 as listed which was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve the following individuals, listed in items 16 and 17, as outlined in the Voluntary Retirement Incentive:

16. Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve the voluntary retirement of the following professional employees:

Name	Position	Retirement Effective Date	Years of Service
Pamela Sieger Gill	Federal Programs/ Curriculum Coordinator	June 30, 2021	37
Kimberly Wright	Kindergarten Teacher	June 30, 2021	31

17. Motion to approve the voluntary retirement of the following non-professional employees:

Name	**Position**	**Retirement Date**	**Years of Service (EOY)**
Tracy Edwards	MS/HS Secretary	June 30, 2021	19
Christy Shoemaker	Elementary Paraprofessional	June 30, 2021	21
Sharmane Campisi	Special Education & MS/HS Guidance Secretary	September 29, 2021	31 ½
D. Renae Crider	Custodian/Stock Room Attendant	October 1, 2021	29

Mr. Blackwell seconded the above motion including 16 and 17, and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve item 18 as listed:

18. Approve the student teachers from Geneva College and the cooperating teachers for the 2021-2022 school year beginning January 11, 2022 through May 5, 2022:

Student Teacher	**Cooperating Teacher**	**Subject Area**
McKayla Jacobs	Kara Best	K-4 Elementary Education (Jan. 11, 20222 through Mar. 4, 2022)
	Tiffany Halbrock	3-8 Special Education (Mar. 14, 2022 through May 5, 2022)
Cooper Hertzler	Jessica Smith	9-12 Social Studies (Jan. 11, 2022 through Apr. 28, 2022)

Mr. Blackwell seconded the above motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

BEAVER VALLEY INTERMEDIATE UNIT

Mr. Blackwell motioned to approve items 19 through

19. Approve Lawrence E. Blackwell to serve as the Delegate Representative for the Rochester Area School District on the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit's Board of Directors to serve for a three (3) year term commencing July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

20. Approve Resolution No. 032221-06 for the 2021-2022 Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit's General Operating Budget. The Budget totals $1,490,231. This includes a decrease of $117 from the 2020-2021 Budget. Thus reflects no increase to the district.

21. Approve the Letter of Intent between Rochester Area School District and the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit to participate in the 2021-2022 Discovery Education Agreement at a cost of $1.49 per student (the letter of intent is for participation if the price does not exceed $1.49).

22. Approve the Letter of Intent between Rochester Area School District and the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit to participate in the 2021-2022 Technology Pool Counsel Consortium. The projected cost is based on the number of school districts interested (the consortium includes districts from the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit, the Beaver County Career and Technology Center and the Intermediate Unit). Once a final determination on the number of participants is made, an agreement for the district to formally commit to the service will be sent.

Mrs. Kronk seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call note.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Dale Damon, 231 Greenwood Drive, New Brighton, asked for clarification on the bond.

Mr. Tom Damon, 578 Jefferson Street, Rochester, addressed the board on items regarding responsibilities.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for the evening Mr. Blackwell motioned to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. Mrs. Kronk seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Gross /LAK

Carol Gross,
Board Secretary