

VOTING SESSION

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. Acon.

ROLL CALL:

Present

Mrs. Marian R. Acon
Mr. Randall E. Bacon
Mr. Lawrence E. Blackwell
Mrs. Annette R. Hubbard
Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard
Mrs. Christine S. Kronk

Absent

Mr. Patrick J. Cunningham
Mr. Brian C. May
Mr. Floyd B. Tame

NON-VOTING MEMBERS AND ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Jane Bovalino
Ms. Amanda Cwynar
Mr. Nick Long

Mr. Louis Campisi
Mr. Ryan Herstine

CORRESPONDENCES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

Dr. Bovalino reported that a thank you note has been received from Eugenia Priest for use of the auditorium for the Martin Luther King Oratorical Contest.

PRESENTATION:

The NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH were presented by Mr. Tony Ziegler and Miss Jessica Smith. They are:

6th – Nevaeh Squires
7th – Travis Moore
8th – Desmond Ledford

Mrs. Acon stated that they are proud of the students and are sure that they will continue to have great success in the future. She then thanked them for coming this evening.

CITIZEN INPUT – ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

There were no citizens wishing to address the Board regarding agenda items this evening.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the October 25, 2021 Voting Meeting were approved by motion of Mr. Bacon, second of Mrs. Annette Hubbard, and unanimous roll call vote. The November 8, 2021 Discussion Meeting was canceled thereby requiring no minutes to be submitted or approved.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Bovalino expressed congratulations to Coach Matsook and the Rochester Football Team! Coach Matsook celebrated his 200th win with the Rams on Friday, October 29, and our Rams clinched a playoff spot in their win over Northgate. Our Fighting Rams lost to OLSH on Friday night. We are extremely proud of their hard work and dedication. Coach Matsook was recognized by the Steelers as Coach of the Week!

It was also reported by Dr. Bovalino that our senior football players, cheerleaders and band members were recognized at our last home game on October 29th. Congratulations to our seniors!

Dr. Bovalino reported that this year's musical has been announced and the cast selected. Mark your calendars for March 31 - April 2. Rochester is proud to present *Grease*. The cast includes the following students:

RJ Perlick – Danny Zuko
Noah Haskins – Kenickie
Gauge Wilkins – Roger
Ben Kauffmann – Sonny
Nehemiah Haskins – Doody

Noah Sarver – Eugene
Klayton Heasley – Vince Fontaine
Melanie Tame – Sandy

Ashley Barbour – Rizzo

Abigail Martin - Jan

Victoria Dean - Marty

Jordan Pitman - Frenchy

Joanna Casino and Ashiya Naje – Teen Angels

Iniya Miles - Patty

Daryll Deeever – Cha Cha Digregorio

Megan Swager – Miss Lynch

ENSEMBLE:

Wyatt Eberst
Morgan Shaw
Emily Dempsey

Tyler Miller
Claire Krestal

Dr. Bovalino also reported the following items:

We were delighted to see our kindergarten children parade around the building on October 28th collecting treats from teachers and staff members throughout the building.

I had the opportunity to present how our school community has dealt with the ever changing world of COVID at the Delta Kappa Gamma meeting in November.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Annette Hubbard for serving on the School Board for the past eight (8) years. This is Annette's last meeting. Congratulations to our re-elected Board Members, Lawrence Blackwell, Michelle Hubbard and Christine Kronk. Welcome and congratulations are extended to Mr. Dale Daman on his election.

Ten \$200 awards were given to high school students as part of the Challenge Program. Students who met the criteria of attendance, STEM, academic improvement and academic excellence were eligible to receive the award. The Challenge Program is a nonprofit organization that partners students, schools and local businesses to provide students with the skills necessary to become predictive and employable members of society.

Congratulations to Melanie Tame on being selected to participate in the Honors Band at Westminster College. Melanie will travel to Westminster next week and perform on Saturday, December 4th. It has been many years since we have had a student represent Rochester in the Honors Band!

Congratulations to Corynne Hauser on signing her acceptance letter for a full scholarship to Kent State. As a school community, we were excited and appreciative of being able to participate in Corynne's signing!

There will be a "Virtual COVID 19 Vaccination Town Hall" on November 23rd at 7:00 p.m. Doctors from the University of Pittsburgh, Dr. Seema Lakdaala and Dr. Anita McElroy will speak and answer questions about COVID 19 in general, COVID 19 in children, vaccinations, and boosters.

We are offering our third volunteer vaccine clinic. In partnership with UPMC, the student and community clinic will be held on Tuesday, November 30, from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Interested participants may register online through our Facebook page.

Our elementary children are collecting canned goods and nonperishable food items for the needy.

Mr. Verrico and four of our student athletes traveled to Pittsburgh to participate in the WPIAL Sportsmanship Summit. Representing Rochester was SalLaure, JD Axulay, Corynne Hauser and Mckenzie Robison.

Please mark your calendars and join us for our annual Carol Sing. This year we will be meeting on the Reno Street lawn in front of the Auditorium. The event which is from 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. will include a visit from Santa, hot chocolate and treats for all participants.

Our Comprehension Plan has been online for public review since October. Upon Board approval this evening, we will submit the plan to the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

The Solicitor was unable to be present this evening.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE AND TRANSPORTATION:

Mrs. Annette Hubbard motioned to approve items 1-3 as listed below:

1. Treasurer's Reports for the month of October.
2. Payment of Bills:

General Fund	\$865,961.21
Cafeteria Fund	\$37,687.84

3. 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. Bacon seconded the motion for items 1-3 and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mrs. Annette Hubbard motioned to approve items 1-7 as listed below:

1. Approve the Agreement with The School at McGuire Memorial to provide educational services beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.
2. Approve the TREND Services, Inc. agreement to provide substitute nursing and/or Nurses' Aides Services for the 2021-2022 school year.
3. Approve the following bus drivers, van drivers and monitors from Frye Transportation for the 2021-2022 school year:

Harold Barber
Richard Brant
Margo Collins
Michael Collins

Christine Johnson
Michelle McNeely
Pamela Sanford
Nick Sudano

Brenda Vebelun
Amber Wilson
Casey Zurik

4. Approve the exoneration of all taxes, penalties and interest on Parcel No. 47-002-0308.000, located at 551 Connecticut Avenue, Rochester Borough, PA 15074, per request from Shaiya Harmon, for the years 2013-2021. This property is in the repository.
5. Approve the exoneration of all taxes, penalties and interest on Parcel No. 47-002-0106.000, located at 318 Lloyd Street, Rochester Borough, PA 15074, per request from Shaiya Harmon, for the years 2013-2021. This property is in the repository.
6. Approve the exoneration of all taxes, penalties and interest on Parcel No. 47-002-0206.000, located at 337 Lloyd Street, Rochester Borough, PA 15074, per request from Paul Bensing. This property has been in the repository since 2009.
7. Approve the exoneration of all taxes, penalties and interest on Parcel No. 49-002-1040-000, located at 425 Railroad Street, Rochester Borough, PA 15074, per request from Rochester Borough, for the year 2020.

Mr. Bacon seconded the motion for items 1-7 as listed above and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

TEACHERS AND PERSONNEL:

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to approve items 1-6 as listed below:

1. Approve the request of Kathy Onuska to attend PASBO's 67th Annual Conference and Exhibits Training in Hershey, Pennsylvania, Monday, March 7, 2022 through Saturday, March 12, 2022, at a cost of \$384 registration fees, plus transportation and lodging.
2. Approve the ratification of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Rochester Area Education Association (RAEA) regarding class split, class coverage and pull-out for the 2021-2022 school year. The MOU expires on June 30, 2022.

3. Approve the following field trips:

- a. Sunday, November 7, 2021 – High School Volleyball students to attend the Pitt volleyball game at Fitzgerald Field House.
- b. Monday, November 22, 2021 – Grade 4 G.A.T.E. students to attend Dutch Ridge Elementary School in Beaver to participate in the Academic Games Practice Tournament, *Propaganda*.
- c. Thursday, December 16, 2021 – Grades 6-10 G.A.T.E. students to attend Community College of Beaver County Ling Competition.
- d. Thursday, December 16, Friday, December 17 and Saturday, December 18, 2021 – Grade 12, Honors Band student, Melanie Tame, to attend Westminster College to rehearse and to perform a concert.
- e. Monday, December 20, 2021 – Grades 6-12 Life Skills students to attend Dollar General in Rochester to learn about shopping skills, money management and budgeting.

4. Approve Luis Santiago to serve as a part-time General Assistant in the Nutrition Services Department at a rate of \$13.25 per hour, 5.5 hours per day, effective Monday, November 8, 2021, as per contract (clearances on file).

5. Approve the following substitutes from TREND for the 2021-2022 school year.

Cassie Bane – Custodian
Amy Downer – Nurse
Mariah Evans – Nurse

6. Approve the following individuals to be added to the K-12 volunteer list (clearances on file).

Whitney Feightner
Jessica Fogle
Kimberly Kaufmann

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

CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY:

Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve items 1-2:

1. Approve the Comprehensive Plan for the years 2021-2024, including the Induction Plan (Chapter 49), Professional Development Plan (Act 48), and Gifted Education Plan Assurances (Chapter 16). The plan has been available for public review and input on the district's website since October 11, 2021.
2. Approve the revised 2021-2022 School Calendar.

Ms. Michelle Hubbard seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

CITIZEN'S INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

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

Mrs. Annette Hubbard stated at this time that it was an honor to serve on the Board and she intends to run again in the next election.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to adjourn this meeting at 7:23 p.m. as there was no further business for this evening. Mrs. Kronk seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Carol Gross
Board Secretary

August (6-6)						
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April (17-157)						
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May (20-177)						
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June (3-180)						
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Key						
* First & Last Day of School						
Early Dismissal						
Holiday Break (No School)						
Snow Make-Up Day						
Clerical Day (No School for Students)						
In-Service Day (No School for Students)						
Act 80 Day						

Important Dates	
August 16-20	Roving Teacher Clerical Day #1
August 23	In-Service Day #1
August 24	First Day of School
September 6	Labor Day Holiday
October 11	In-Service Day #2 (No School for Students)
October 29	Act 80 Day (No School for Students) (Parent/Teacher Conferences)
November 11	Veterans Day Holiday
November 24	Early Dismissal
November 25-29	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 22	Early Dismissal
December 23	Winter Holiday
- January 2	
January 13	Act 80 Day (No School for Students)
January 14	Teacher Clerical Day #2 (No School for Students)
January 17	Martin Luther King Day Holiday
February 21	Snow Day #1
March 18	Snow Day #2
March 21	In-Service Day #3 (No School for Students)
April 14	Snow Day #3
April 15-18	Spring Holiday
April 29	In-Service Day #4 (No School for Students) (Senior Day, Kindergarten Registration/Screening)
May 6	Snow Day #4, PROM
May 30	Memorial Day (No School)
June 2	Commencement
June 3	Last Day of School, Early Dismissal for Students
June 6	Snow Day #5

Grading Periods	
1st-9 weeks	October 27
2nd-9 weeks	January 13
3rd-9 weeks	March 24
4th-9 weeks	June 3

RASD Time Schedule	
ELEM	MS/HS
Start 8:20	8:00
Dismissal 2:45 (K)	2:32
Walker 3:00 (1-5)	
Bus 3:05	

Student Early Dismissal Times	
ELEM	MS/HS
Kindergarten 11:25	11:05
Walker 11:40	
Bus 11:45	

PSSA ASSESSMENT DATES		
English Language Arts	4/25-29	3-8
Mathematics	5/2-13	3-8
Science	5/2-13	4, 8

KEYSTONE EXAM TESTING WINDOW	
Algebra I, Biology, Literature	
Winter Wave	12/1-15
	1/3-14
Spring Wave	5/16-27