VOTING SESSION

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Marian Acon, Board President, at 7:24 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 Absent

Mrs. Marian R. Acon Mr. Brian C. May

Mr. Randall E. Bacon

Mr. Lawrence E. Blackwell

Mr. Patrick J. Cunningham

Mrs. Annette R. Hubbard – via phone

Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard

Mrs. Christine S. Kronk

Mr. Floyd B. Tame

NON-VOTING MEMBERS AND ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Dr. Jane Bovalino Mrs. Kathleen Onuska – via phone

Mr. Michael Damon Ms. Amanda Cwynar

CORRESPONDENCES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

Dr. Bovalino reported that a thank you note had been received from Renae Crider who has recently retired from the Rochester Area School District.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Tony Ziegler and Miss Jessica Smith presented the OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

6th - Kaleb Beadle

7th – Jett Williams

8th - Haylie Petrik

Mrs. Acon congratulated the students for their good work and encouraged them to continue to do so.

CITIZEN INPUT - ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

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

MINUTES:

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to approve the minutes for the September 27, 2021 Voting Meeting and October 11, 2021 Special Voting Meeting and Discussion Meeting. Mr. Bacon seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Bovalino reported the following:

A. HOMECOMING

Rochester High School celebrated Homecoming on October 15th. We had a beautiful night and were pleased to congratulate Queen Ashley Dolenack, Princess Corynne Hauser, along with the other members of the court, Ci're Anderson, McKensie Robison and Taylor Sebecic.

The following evening about 130 students had a great time at the Homecoming Dance.

B: FAMILY PUMPKIN CRAFT COMPETITION

Rochester Elementary held their annual Family Pumpkin Craft Competition! Congratulations to our 1st place winner, Matteo Crosby and Family, 2nd place was awarded to Terralynn Elso and Family, and 3rd place went to Mellonie Aldridge and Family.

C. MONSTER MASH

D. The Elementary also had their Monster Mash – this is a mother-son event. It was great to have so many in attendance and the masks complemented the costumes!

E. LIL RAMS BASKETBALL

Lil Rams Basketball signups are going on at this time for students in grades 3-6, as well as the Bantam Travel Team. Information is on Facebook and was sent home with the students.

F. STRENGTHENING FAMILIES

Strengthening Families is a seven (7) week program for middle school aged students and their families to learn about dealing with the challenges of adolescent life. Parents and their children have dinner together and then separate and go into sessions. We have partnered with Keystone Wellness to offer this program along with the New Brighton and Aliquippa School Districts.

G. FIELD TRIP

Mr. Gorman's class went on a walking field trip to learn about the opportunities Rochester has to offer. They visited the police department, fire department, borough building, and ate at Subway.

H. RED RIBBON WEEK

This is Red Ribbon Week in our Elementary – like the MS/HS, today was PJ day. Tomorrow students are encouraged to wear red to say no to drugs. Wednesday's neon/bright colors signify, "My future is bright and drug free!" On Thursday, the students will be "Saying Boo to Drugs" as they wear their Halloween costumes.

I. ACT 80 DAY

There is no school for students on Friday. The elementary will have parent/teacher conferences and the rest of the staff will engage in data analysis and Crisis, prevention, intervention and restraint training.

J. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The Comprehensive Plan is available for review. As required, we have the plan available for review for thirty days prior to submitting it to the PDE.

Mrs. Acon commended Dr. Bovalino on her excellent report this evening and that it was much appreciated.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Attorney Garen Fedeles was present this evening and there was nothing to be reported at this time.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

Mr. Bacon motioned to approve the following item:

1. Approve the request made by the Little Rams to use the parking lot to host Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 24, 2021, at no cost.

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

ATHLETICS:

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

- 1. Approve Steve Proctor and Mike Cunning to serve as the Bowling Head Co-Coaches for the 2021-2022 school year due to the resignation of Troy Thomas. As Mr. Proctor served in this position previously, he will receive \$309 and Mr. Cunning will receive \$250 as this is his first year in the position.
- 2. At the recommendation of Sean Keaton, Head Basketball Coach, approve Ed Gorman to serve as the Elementary Boys Basketball Coach for the 2021-2022 school year at a supplemental base salary of \$500, effective immediately (clearances on file).

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

FINANCE AND TRANSPORTATION:

Mr. Tame motioned to approve 1-3 as listed below:

- 1. Treasurer's Reports for the month of September
- 2. Payment of Bills

General Fund Cafeteria Fund

\$874,725.55 \$29,208.13 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

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

Mr. Tame motioned to approve items 4 - 6 as listed below:

- 4. Approve the Direct Energy Business Marketing for Natural Gas Commodity Purchase Agreement dated September 1, 2022 through September 31, 2025.
- 5. Approve J. Martin & Associates, LLC to audit the tax Collector real estate statements for the years ending December 31, 2020, 2021 and 2022 at a cost not to exceed the following rates:

	School 2020	School 2021	School 2022
	Real Estate	Real Estate	Real Estate
Real Estate Tax Collector	Tax Duplicate	Tax Duplicate	Tax Duplicate
East Rochester Borough	\$3,160	\$3,320	\$3,490
Rochester Borough	\$2,940	\$3,090	\$3,250
Rochester Township	\$3,380	\$3,550	\$3,730

6. Approve the agreement with Kelly Services, Inc. for substitute services beginning October 12, 2021 through June 3, 2022.

Mrs. Kronk seconded this motion 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 following field trips:
 - a. Thursday, October 21, 2021 Grades 4-12 G.A.T.E. students to tour the Strip District in Pittsburgh to learn about the history and ethnic origins of the Strip.
 - b. Tuesday, November 9, 2021 & Tuesday, November 16, 2021 Middle School (3rd -7th Grade and 4th 8th Grade) students to attend MECCO Manufacturing Company to learn about manufacturing careers.
 - c. Tuesday, November 16, 2021 Elementary (Grades 3-5) G.A.T.E. and Enrichment students to attend Riverside Elementary School to compete in a Scrabble Tournament.
 - d. Wednesday, November 17, 2021 High School Life Skills to attend the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank to help sort and pack food items.
 - e. Wednesday, November 17, 2021 Brad Verrico and High School Athletes, JD Azulay, Corynne Hauser, Sal Laure and McKenzie Robison, to attend the WPIAL Sportsmanship Summit at the Heinz History Center and Sports Museum.
 - f. Thursday, November 18, 2021 Middle School/High School G.A.T.E. and Enrichment students to attend Geneva College to participate in Propaganda.

- g. Friday, November 19, 2021 High School G.A.T.E. Enrichment Class (Grades 6-12) students to attend Carnegie Science Center to engage in the Career Connections Panel of Innovators.
- h. Monday, December 6, 2021 High School G.A.T.E. Enrichment Class (Grades 6-7) students to attend the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit to participate Robotics Program.
- i. Friday, January 21, 2022 Select Middle School/High School students to attend Hopewell High School to participate in Jr. High District Chorus rehearsal and concert.
- j. Thursday, February 10, 2022 and Friday, February 11, 2022 Select Grade 12 students to attend Sharon High School to audition for Regional Chorus, which will be held in March.
- 2. Approve the unpaid Family Medical Leave request of Employee #4503 beginning October 4, 2021 and ending on December 31, 2021, for up to 12 weeks.
- 3. Approve the following individuals to serve as teachers for the DARE2XL After School Program as per the agreement with TAME, Inc. The District will pay the teachers through payroll at an hourly compensation not to exceed \$28 per hour per teacher.

Brandy Rossi-Tesnovich Nicole Tomasko

- 4. Approve the request of Laynie Lyons to attend the 2022 Pennsylvania Department of Education Data Summit in Hershey, Pennsylvania, Sunday, March 20, 2022 through Tuesday, March 23, 2022, at a cost of \$275 registration fees, plus transportation and lodging.
- 5. Approve the unpaid intermittent leave of absence of Anne Bankowski effective October 20, 2021.
- 6. Approve the following individuals to be added to the K-12 volunteer list (clearances on file).

Brenda Brewer Whitney Dunn Mary McElwain Elizabeth Padgett Sundae Reid Donna Rosenbauer Shannon Stewart

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

There was no one wishing to address the Board on non-agenda items this evening.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. This motion was seconded by Mr. Tame and unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Gross
Board Secretary