

VOTING MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Marian Acon, Board President, at 7:06 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. Lawrence Blackwell
Mrs. Jocelyn Haskins
Mr. Thomas W. Majors
Mr. Floyd B. Tame

Absent

Mr. Randall E. Bacon
Mr. Dale Daman
Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard
Mrs. Christine S. Kronk

NON-VOTING MEMBERS and ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Dr. Jane Bovalino
Mr. Lou Campisi
Mr. Michael Damon
Mr. Nathan Leeman
Mrs. Kathleen Onuska

CORRESPONDENCES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

There were no correspondences to be reported this evening.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Tony Ziegler and Mrs. Jessica Dorian acknowledged and congratulated the following students of the month in the Middle School:

MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

6th - Ehren Ketterer
7th - Gabriella McElwain
8th - Emily Dempsey

CITIZEN INPUT – ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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

MINUTES

Mr. Floyd Tame motioned to approve the February 27, 2023 Voting Meeting and March 13, 2023, Discussion Meeting, and the February 27, 2023 and March 13, 2023 Committee Meetings. The motion was seconded by Mr. Thomas Majors and unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Bovalino reported on the following items:

STORY WALK

Special thanks to Kara Best and our Elementary Planning Committee on another successful Story Walk. Children had the opportunity to hear ten different stories, enjoy snacks, and make crafts.

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS

Congratulations to the cast and crew of this year's musical, Little Shop of Horrors. Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Tame, Johnny Gallagher and his team, the parents and student volunteers, Kathy Onuska, Lou Campisi and all those who worked so hard to make this year's musical a success. Special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Tame as they have shared that they have worked to train a new group of parents to take over the musical.

G.A.T.E. - NATIONALS

CONGRATULATIONS TO Mrs. Gorman and Mrs. Shychuck and the following students who will be traveling to Orlando, FL at the end of April to compete in AGLOA Nationals!

The following students will be representing Rochester:

High School

Tia Yellock, Current & Theme, Presidents (grade 9)

Kamryn Newman, Current & Theme (grade 9)

Patrick Bable, Current & Theme, Presidents (grade 9)

Middle School

Max Lyons, Theme, Presidents (grade 8)

Mary Gorman, Current & Theme (grade 8)

Elementary

Owen Gorman, Current, Presidents (grade 5)

Michael Williams, Current, Presidents (grade 5)

NUTRITION SERVICES

The Rochester cafeteria staff was recently recognized by Lydia Logue from the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank for the "Child Hunger Award." This award is for outstanding service in child nutrition programs. Their accomplishments include:

- Serving 1,067 meals to kids this Summer,
- Vending thousands of meals to Beaver YMCA's sites,
- Operating a CACFP afterschool meal program,
- Partnering with the Darrelle Revis Foundation for weekend
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- Partnering with the Darrelle Revis Foundation for weekend backpacks,
- Serving 250 elementary kids, and much more!

Thank you Rochy cafeteria ladies!

NUTRITION SERVICES

Congratulations to Linnea Greco who was awarded the “Teamwork” award for this quarter from Nutrition Services. Linnea has been with the Rochester cafeteria crew for a little over a year now. She is always willing to step in where needed and is a great addition to the team!

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Congratulations to the following students who will be inducted into the National Honor Society on Wednesday evening:

Breanna Fordyce
Saige Holden
Vonyea Jackson
Courtney Lang
Victoria McCracken
Jewell Ours
Angeline Pommier
Casey Richko
Kaitlin Richko
Reese Riordan
Izzabella Seamans
Gianna Sisco
Yuxin Zheng

TOWN HALL MEETING - VAPING

We had a very successful Town Hall meeting on Vaping. Chief Sullivan outlined the dangers of vaping and shared information on the effects of vaping, nicotine and THC on our students. The Acting Chiefs from both the Borough and the Township were present as well.

ROCHY BAND

Our High School Symphonic Band received an EXCELLENT rating at the PMEA Music Performance Assessment Festival!

Congratulations to students Natalie Hollibaugh, Mark Hollibaugh and Winter Tackac, who will be representing Rochester at the PMEA Jr. High Band Festival at Hopewell High School tomorrow.

SIXTH GRADE SPELLING BEE

Congratulations to Clayton Jackson (first place) and Neveah Fogle (alternate) who will be representing Rochester Middle School at the Annual Sixth Grade Spelling Bee, sponsored by the Beaver County Chapter of the Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees. This year’s contest will be held at Dutch Ridge Road Elementary School.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Saturday, April 1, 10-2 Rochester PTA Craft Show
- Thursday, April 6, Snow Day, No School
- Friday, April 7, No School
- Monday, April 10, No School
- Saturday, April 15, CCBC Academies Casino Night
- Monday, May 1, Statement of Financial Interest Forms Due

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

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

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. Tame motioned to approve items 1-4 as follows:

1. Treasurer's Report for the month of February.
2. Payment of Bills

General Fund	\$1,114,109.60
Cafeteria Fund	\$23,606.81
3. Monthly Financial Reports

General Fund – Revenue Report
General Fund – Expenditure Report
Cafeteria Fund – Revenue Report
Cafeteria Fund – Expenditure Reports
4. Informational Reports

Tax Collector Reports
Bills to be Approved

Mrs. Haskins seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

Mr. Tame motioned to approve items 1-8 as follows:

1. Approve awarding the bid for the RASD Parent Drop Off/Parking Lot to Youngblood Paving, Inc. in the amount of \$265,377.90. This project is being funded through ESSER funds.
2. Approve awarding the bid for the encaptured security entrance to Drumm & Sons Contracting in the Amount of \$21,049. This project is being funded through ESSER funds.
3. Approve 2021-2022 Audit, as presented by J. Martin & Associates, LLC.

4. Approve the agreement between Rochester Area School District and Kennywood Park for the 2023 School Picnic, which is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13, 2023.
5. Approve the exoneration request made by Clinton Hays, Hays Property Solutions, of all taxes, penalties and interest for 2015-2022 on the following properties:

Parcel No. 49-001-1519-000 471 Kossuth Street, Rochester (in repository since 4/26/2016). Delinquent taxes are \$12,521.30.

Parcel No. 49-001-1520-000 469 Kossuth Street, Rochester (undeveloped land in repository since 12/7/2015). Delinquent taxes are \$1,561.28.

6. Approve the following list of bus drivers from Frye Transportation Group for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year (clearances on file).

Marissa Campbell
Katie Collins
Jocelyn Mallinder

Shianna Mathes
Edith Palakovich
Bridget Petroff

7. Approve the agreement with KeySolution Staffing, L.L.C., to provide behavior therapy services beginning August 25, 2023 through June 1, 2024, at a cost of \$41,420 for two and one half (2.5) days of service for the academic year.
8. Approve the Sponsor-to-Sponsor Agreement (PDE 3086) between the YMCA of Beaver County and the Rochester Area School District, to supply lunches for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

Mrs. Haskins seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

TEACHERS and PERSONNEL

Mr. Majors motioned to approve items 1-17 as listed:

1. Approve Dr. Amanda Cwynar to attend the 2023 Data Summit Conference at Hershey, Pennsylvania, which is scheduled for March 26, 2023, through March 29, 2023, at a cost of \$300 registration fee, plus transportation and lodging.
2. Approve the intermittent Family Medical Leave request of Employee #3039 beginning February 23, 2023 for up to twelve (12) weeks.
3. Approve the Family Medical Leave request of Employee #4647 beginning April 5, 2023 for up to twelve (12) weeks.

4. Approve the following DARE2XL teachers, in partnership with TAME, Inc., for the DARE2XL Summer Program for students in grades K-5. The program will be held Monday through Friday, June 12, 2023 through June 30, 2023, from 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. this includes instructional planning time. TAME will compensate teachers based on the contractual rate (\$25/hr), plus an additional bonus for time served with the program.

Sarah Brasko
Rebecca Hansen
Alyssa Miles
Allison Seezox
Maria Young

5. Approve the following University of Pittsburgh intern and cooperating teacher for the Fall 2023 Term (August 28, 2023 through December 8, 2023):

Student Intern	Cooperating Teacher	Subject Area
Emily Blackburn	Jill Gilarno	Speech Language Pathology

6. Approve the following field trip(s):
 - a. April 5, 2023 - Grades 7th & 8th “What’s So Cool About Manufacturing” students to attend Heinz History Museum for the WSCAM Awards Ceremony for which the students submitted a video
 - b. April 12, 2023 - Grades 3-5 Life Skills students to attend the National Aviary to learn about animals and nature.
 - c. April 14, 2023 - Grades 3-5 Life Skills students to attend Pathway Church Playground to visit the indoor play area and learn about safety in the community, manners, and how to pay for items in a store.
 - d. April 20, 2023 through April 25, 2023 - Qualifying G.A.T.E. students to attend Orlando, Florida to compete in the AGLOA (Academic Games Leagues of America) National Competition to compete against students from all over the country.
 - e. May 12, 2023 - Grade 3 students to attend the Carnegie Science Center to experience the exhibits that are taught to them about force and motion, electricity and life science.
 - f. May 24, 2023 - Grade 5 students to attend Camp Kon-O-Kwee to observe examples of living organisms associated with pond life.
7. Accept the resignation of Nicole Tomasko from the position of Elementary Planning Committee effective March 2, 2023.
8. Accept the resignation of Alexandra Javens from the position of Elementary Planning Committee effective immediately.
9. Approve Marcie Alford to serve on the Elementary Planning Committee at a supplemental salary of \$500 (prorated), effective immediately.
10. Approve the request of Debra Robles, Elementary teacher, to take an unpaid day on Thursday, March 23, 2023.

11. Accept the resignation of Laynie Lyons from the position of PIMS/Technology Support effective March 15, 2023.

12. Approve the revised job descriptions for the following positions:

Child Accounting/Student Services/PIMS Coordinator
Technology Support

13. Approve the expansion of Ms. Dawn Greene's position from Child Accounting/Student Services to Child Accounting/Student Services/PIMS Coordinator, effective March 16, 2023.

14. Approve the DARE2XL Paraeducators, in partnership with TAME, Inc., for the DARE2XL Summer Program for students in grades K-5. The program will be held Monday through Friday, June 12, 2023 through June 30, 2023, from 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. this includes instructional planning time. TAME will compensate Paraeducators based on their contractual rate, plus an additional bonus for time served with the program.

Terri McKinnis
Shannon Stewart
Casey Woodley

15. Accept the resignation of Cassie Bane from the position of part-time maintenance effective March 7, 2023.

16. Approve the request of Shannon Stewart, Paraprofessional, to take the following unpaid sick days:

Tuesday, February 21, 2023
Tuesday, March 21, 2023

17. Approve the following individual(s) to be added to the approved volunteer list (clearances on file).

Megan Smith Hunter (PTA, Elementary School)
Carly Mamone (Elementary School)
Joann Maxin (Elementary School)
Alyssa McKernan (Elementary School)
Dorothy Leann Camp Miller (Middle School/High School)
Kara Moore (Elementary School)

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

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Mr. Majors motioned to approve the following revised, reviewed and new policies:

<u>Policy _</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Title</u>
113.2 (reviewed)	Programs	Behavior Support
123.2 (revised)	Programs	Sudden Cardiac Arrest
246 (reviewed)	Pupils	School Wellness
625 (new)	Finances	Procurement Cards
626 Attach (revised)	Finances	Procurement – Federal Programs

Mrs. Haskins seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

BUILDING and GROUNDS

Mr. Blackwell motioned to approve the request made by Rochester Area Baseball and Softball (RABS) to use the Elementary Cafeteria area and the Elementary Gymnasium on April 15, 2023, for registration sign-ups, parent meeting, fundraiser drop-off and pictures, at no cost.

Mrs. Haskins seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

ATHLETICS

Mr. Blackwell motioned to approve items 1-3 as follows:

1. Accept the resignation of Drew Lewis from the position of 2nd Assistant Softball coach, effective March 6, 2023.
2. At the recommendation of Head Softball coach, Michael Cunning, approved Julie Moore to serve as the 2nd Assistant Softball coach at a supplemental base salary of \$700, effective March 7, 2023, due to the resignation of Drew Lewis.
3. Accept the resignation of Sam Laure from the position of Men's Jr. Varsity Head Basketball coach, effective immediately.

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

BEAVER VALLEY INTERMEDIATE UNIT

Mr. Blackwell motioned to approve Resolution No. 03272023-5 for the 2023-2024 Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit's General Operating Budget. The Budget totals \$1,608,913. This includes an increase of \$149,313 from the 2022-2023 Budget.

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, Mr. Tame motioned to adjourn this meeting at 7:20 p.m. Mr. Majors 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, March 27, 2023

ATTENDANCE

SCHOOL BOARD

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

ADMINISTRATION AND PRESENTERS

P	Dr. Jane Bovalino
NA	Mr. Rodney Bobin
P	Mr. Lou Campisi
AB	Ms. Rachael Cipolla
AB	Dr. Amanda Cwynar
P	Mr. Michael Damon
AB	Mr. Ryan Herstine
P	Mr. Nathan Leeman
P	Mr. Kathleen Onuska

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES, 6:00 p.m.

PERSONNEL

Dr. Bovalino provided the Board of Education with an overview of the progress to date on the open positions. We anticipate commencing interviews within the next week for the payroll and technology positions. Proposals to redefine the roles in anticipation of upcoming retirements were discussed.

We have also received applications for the STEAM teacher position. We will conduct interviews later next month. The position is open for the 2023-2024 school year.

CURRICULUM

Director of Student Services Mr. Nathan Leeman reviewed the Special Education Plan and highlighted district initiatives, strengths and areas of concern. As required by PDE, the plan will be available online and in his office for public review. We will place it on the agenda for Board approval in April, as it is due to be uploaded to PDE by May 1.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Director of Building and Grounds Mr. Lou Campisi relayed information to the Board regarding a request made by a local non-profit to place a clothing bin on district property. The Paralyzed Vets Clothing Bin will be placed in the back parking lot and emptied monthly.

FINANCE

Business Manager Kathy Onuska and Director of Buildings and Grounds Lou Campisi reviewed the capital assets and five-year plan.