

VOTING 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 S. Kronk
Mr. Thomas W. Majors
Mr. Floyd B. Tame

Absent

NON-VOTING MEMBERS and ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Dr. Jane Bovalino
Dr. Amanda Cwynar
Mr. Michael Damon
Mr. Ryan Herstine
Mr. Nathan Leeman

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:

FEBRUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

6th - Grace Lovy 7th - Chayce Lane 8th - Max Lyons

CITIZEN INPUT – ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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

MINUTES

Ms. Michelle Hubbard motioned to approve the February 20, 2023, Regular Voting/Discussion Meeting, and the February 20, 2023, Committee Meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Randall Bacon and unanimously approved upon roll call vote.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Bovalino reported on the following items:

PTA – CRAFT SHOW

Come out and support our PTA on April 1, from 10 -2, for their first Craft Show and Food Truck Event. The PTA has close to 90 vendors participating in this event! Our varsity cheer, youth cheer and band will be there as well.

ROCHY GARDEN GRANT

Congratulations to Mr. Isaac Dixon on receiving another grant for the Rochy Garden! This past week we received a check for \$1,000 from the Sisters of St. Joseph to support our garden.

ORATORICAL CONTEST

Congratulations to: Reese Riordan, Traten Gilchrist, and Aleaya Mercier for being chosen as semi-finalists for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Oratorical Contest! These three students will compete on Saturday, March 11, at 2:00 p.m. in our Auditorium. All are welcome to come hear their speeches and to cheer them on!

SHAKESPEARE MONOLOGUE & SCENE CONTEST

Congratulations to: Sophia Bozza, Nia Johnson, Saige Holden, Casey Richko, and Yuxin Zheng for placing Honorable Mention in the Pittsburgh Public Shakespeare Monologue and Scene Contest! Over 700 students competed in the competition.

STORYWALK

The theme of the 2023 Story Walk is *Read Around the World*. Please join us on Saturday, March 4, from 10:00 a.m. until noon for a fun morning of snacks, activities, free books and prizes. Our annual Story Walk is funded in part by the Beaver County Educational Trust.

ROCHESTER FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHT FILM

Our Quarterback Club has made arrangements to rent out Cinemark in Monaca to show our 2022 Rochester Rams Varsity Football Highlight Film entitled, The Story of the 2022 Rochester Rams. Join us on March 8 at the Cinemark in Monaca. The film begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10 per person, must be purchased in advance and are available at the High School, the Rochester Public Library, or on March 1st at the Quarterback Club's Refreshment Stand from 6-7 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Saturday, March 4 – Story Walk
- Thursday, March 9 – Saturday, March 11 – District Musical, *Little Shop of Horrors*
- Saturday, March 11 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Oratorical Contest
- Wednesday, March 16 – National Honor Society Induction
- Wednesday, March 22 – PTA Town Hall Meeting on Vaping
- 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 January.
2. Payment of Bills

General Fund	\$1,577,343.88
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Cafeteria Fund	\$45,115.53
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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. Tame motioned to approve items 1-3 as follows:

1. Motion to approve the exoneration of Donna S. Robson from collection of the unpaid 2022 RASD Real Estate Taxes for the Borough of Rochester in the amount of \$256,476.30 and penalty of \$25,643.85. The unpaid taxes will be turned over to Portnoff Law Associates, the District's delinquent real estate tax collector.
2. Motion to approve the exoneration of Deborah L. Ahern from collection of the unpaid 2022 RASD Real Estate Taxes for the Borough of East Rochester in the amount of \$17,688.41 and penalty of \$1,768.84. The unpaid taxes will be turned over to Portnoff Law Associates, the District's delinquent real estate tax collector.
3. Motion to approve the exoneration of Gary L. Johnson from collection of the unpaid 2022 RASD Real Estate Taxes for Rochester Township in the amount of \$144,905.99 and penalty of \$14,490.60. The unpaid taxes will be turned over to Portnoff Law Associates, the District's delinquent real estate tax collector.

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

TEACHERS and PERSONNEL

Ms. Hubbard motioned to approve items 1-10 as listed:

1. Motion to approve the involuntary transfer of first grade teacher Diane Eisenbrown to return to her previously held position as a second grade teacher for the 2023-2024 school year as a result of enrollment.
2. Motion to approve the involuntary transfer of third grade teacher Kara Best to the position as a second grade teacher for the 2023-2024 school year as a result of enrollments. Ms. Best will return to third grade at the conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year.
3. Motion to approve the request made by Elementary teacher Debra Robles to take one (1) day (February 8, 2023) without pay.
4. Motion to approve the following field trip(s):
 - a. March 8, 2023 - Grades 9-12 students to attend Tull Family Theater in Sewickley, Pennsylvania as part of their School-Wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (SWPBIS) Program
 - b. March 15, 2023 - Grades 9-12 Band Students to attend Westminster College for them to perform for a panel of judges to receive a score based on their performance.
 - c. March 22, 2023 - Grade 4 GATE/Enrichment students to attend New Brighton High School to practice the Academic Game Equations against other 4th grade students in Beaver County
 - d. April 4, 2023 - Grades 10-11 English students to attend Hanna Theater in Cleveland, Ohio to see *As You Like It- Shakespeare* to appreciate a live performance.
 - e. April 13, 2023 - Grades 6-8 students to attend Carnegie Natural History and Art Center to see exhibitions that are related to content they have studied.

- f. April 14, 2023 - Select Middle School Chorus students to attend Hickory High School to rehearse and perform for Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) Songfest with other students from other counties.
 - g. May 4, 2023 - Kindergarten students to attend Keystone Safari as part of their Science class.
5. Motion to approve the following Inductees and their Mentors:
- Mentor/Inductee**
Benita Lambert/Genevieve Zajac
- 6. Motion to accept the resignation of Melissa Hiltz from the position of Payroll/Personnel Services effective March 3, 2023.
 - 7. Motion to approve the intermittent Family Medical Leave request of Employee #4585 beginning January 26, 2023 for up to twelve (12) weeks.
 - 8. Motion to approve the following individuals to be added to the approved K-12 volunteer list (clearances on file).
Cory Hauser (Videographer Womens' Basketball)
Lauren Murtha (Nurse for Washington, D.C. Trip)
 - 9. Motion to approve the request made by Nutrition Services General Assistant Mary Lou Fulton to take two (2) days (February 9 and February 10, 2023) without pay.
 - 10. Motion to approve the following individual to be added to the approved list of those who may drive District owned vehicles.

Scott Sullivan

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

CURRICULUM and TECHNOLOGY

Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve Items 1-5 as follows:

- 1. Motion to approve the 2023-2024 School Calendar (see attached).
- 2. Motion to approve the implementation of the STEAM program in grades K-6 as part of the related arts rotation. The STEAM program will expand upon the coursework included in the current K-6 computer rotation.
- 3. Motion to approve the purchase of the following English Language Arts (ELA) textbooks for the 2023-2024 school year for a five-year adoption:

Grade/Course	Title	Publisher	Cost
Grades K-5 ELA	Wonders Reading Curriculum	McGraw Hill	\$108,084.30
Grades 6-12 ELA	Vocabulary for High School	Perfection Learning	\$847.99
Grades 6-12 ELA	Mirrors and Windows	Carnegie Learning	\$80,711.72

Grades 9-12 ELA	Scholastic Magazines - Choices 25	Scholastic	\$855.00
Grade 12 (College in High School ELA)	A Speaker's Guidebook	Dan O'Hair; Rob Stewart; Hannah Rubenstein	\$1,109.50

4. Motion to approve adding the following novels to the approved Reading List for English Language Arts (ELA) and purchasing class sets for the 2023-2024 school year:

Grade/Course	Title	Author	Cost for Class Set
Grade 2 ELA	<i>Judy Moody Saves the World!</i>	Megan McDonald (hardcover)	\$509.70
Grade 2 ELA	<i>The Story of Ruby Bridges</i>	Robert Coles (paperback)	\$239.70
Grade 2 ELA	<i>Heroes in Training - Apollo and the Battle of the Birds</i>	Joan Holub (paperback)	\$183.90
Grade 2 ELA	<i>Henry and Mudge and the Starry Night</i>	Cynthia Rylant	\$149.70
Grade 3 ELA	<i>The Chocolate Touch</i>	Patrick Skene Catling	\$599.25
Grade 4 ELA	<i>Who was Jackie Robinson?</i>	Gail Herman	\$449.25
Grade 5 ELA	<i>Roberto Clemente</i>	Jonah Winter	\$674.25
Grade 8 ELA	<i>Patron Saints of Nothing</i>	Randy Ribay (paperback)	\$323.70
Grade 9 ELA	<i>Between the Lines</i>	Nikki Grimes (paperback)	\$549.50
Grades 9-12 ELA	<i>The Secret Life of Bees</i>	Sue Monk Kid (paperback)	\$299.80

5. Motion to accept the following Science textbooks for the 2023-2024 school year for a four-year adoption:

Grade/Course	Title	Publisher	Cost
Grades K-1 Science	Mystery Science Packs	Discovery Education	\$1,280.00 (Annually)
Grade K-5 Science	Mystery Science Online Access	Discovery Education	\$1,125.00 (Annually)
Grade K-5 Science	STEM Connect	Discovery Education	\$1,000.00 (Annually)
Grade K-5 Science	Discovery Education Platform	Discovery Education	\$595.00 (Annually)
Grades 2-5 Science	Inspire Science	McGraw Hill	\$50,328.99
Grades 6-8 Life Science, Earth & Space Science, Physical Science	Inspire Science • Life Science	McGraw Hill	\$27,489.48

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Grade 9 Earth Science	Earth Science	McGraw Hill	\$7,084.68
Grades 9-10 Biology	Science & Global Issues: Biology	Lab-Aids	\$16,147.85
Grades 10-12 Physical Science	Inspire Physical Science	McGraw Hill	\$4,566.00
Grades 10-12 Chemistry	A Natural Approach to Chemistry	Lab-Aids	\$16,785.00 (Est.)
Grades 11-12 Forensic Science	Forensic Science	Cengage	\$6,550.50
Grades 11-12 Anatomy & Physiology	Anatomy & Physiology - Biozone (workbooks)	Biozone	\$5,102.73

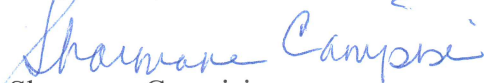
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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 7:17 p.m. Mr. Bacon 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, February 27, 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
P	Mr. Floyd Tame

ADMINISTRATION AND PRESENTERS

P	Dr. Jane Bovalino
P	Dr. Amanda Cwynar
P	Mr. Michael Damon
A	Ms. Rachael Cipolla
P	Mrs. Kathleen Onuska
P	Mr. Nathan Leeman
A	Mr. Lou Campisi
P	Mr. Bodney Bobin
P	Mr. Ryan Herstone

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES, 6:00 p.m.

The committee meetings began at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room with a presentation of the 2022 Audit by Auditor Chad Agnew.

Following Mr. Agnew's presentation, Director of Technology Mr. Rodney Bobin and Technology Supervisor Mr. Ryan Herstone provided an overview of the past year's experiences and the proposed technology budget.

Dr. Bovalino then reviewed the changes in personnel, positions that are currently open and the process set forth to fill those positions.

The committee meeting concluded at 7:00 p.m. and the Board transitioned to their regular voting meeting.