

REGULAR VOTING MEETING

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Marian Acon, Board President, at 7:00 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 E. Bacon
Mr. Dale C. Daman
Mrs. Jocelyn Haskins
Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard
Mrs. Christine S. Kronk
Mr. Thomas W. Majors
Mr. Floyd B. Tame

Absent

Mr. Lawrence E. Blackwell

NON-VOTING MEMBERS and ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Dr. Jane Bovalino
Dr. Amanda Cwynar
Mr. Michael Damon
Mr. Louis Campisi
Mr. Ryan Herstine

CORRESPONDENCES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

There were no correspondences to be reported this evening.

PRESENTATIONS

- A. Mrs. Laurie Frank, Rochester Elks #283, presented the winners of the 2022-23 *Americanism Essay Contest*. Congratulations to the following winners:

6th Grade – Ryder Grimm, Eliada Kaufmann, Chelsea Ryno
7th Grade – Kody Costanza, Syrin Crosby, George Klezia
8th Grade – Daisy Duraney, Max Lyons, Gemini Williams

B. Mr. Tony Ziegler and Mrs. Jessica Dorian acknowledged Students of the Month. Congratulations to the following students:

DECEMBER

6th Grade – Malia Nickerson

7th Grade – Claire Krestal

8th Grade – Ava Daniels

JANUARY

6TH Grade – Jesse Kuppinger

7th Grade – Troy Pace-Hosey

8th Grade – Braylon Keaton

CITIZEN INPUT – ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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

MINUTES

Mrs. Marian Acon motioned to approve the January 9, 2023, Regular Voting Meeting, and the January 9, 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:

BOARD APPRECIATION

The gift bags at your stations are from Ms. Valerie Perelman and the Future Educators of America Club in recognition of Board Appreciation month. Many thanks for the countless hours you give of your time to serve public education in our schools and community!

FATHER/DAUGHTER SNOW BALL DANCE

On Friday night, the Elementary School hosted their annual Snow Ball. This event, spearheaded by the elementary planning committee, offers our young ladies and their special guest an opportunity to dress up and enjoy an evening of dancing and fellowship.

POLAR PLUNGE

The Rochester Ramsicles raised over \$2,000 in support of Special Olympics at this past Saturday's Polar Plunge.

CHIEF OF SECURITY

Solicitor Fedeles and Chief of Security Officer Sullivan went to the courthouse this past Thursday for Officer Sullivan's swearing in. We can now change his title to Chief Sullivan.

PTA - PROTECT YOUR STUDENT

Mr. Damon, Chief Sullivan, and the PTA have been collaborating with the Township and Borough Police Departments to provide an informational session for parents/guardians. On Thursday, February 2,

at 7:00 p.m., they will discuss various threats, including social media, human trafficking, and overall safety, with parents and share ways we can all work together to protect our youth.

PMEA

Congratulations to Lanae LaVette and Yuxin Zheng who represented Rochester at the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 5 Chorus, which was held on January 11 – 13, 2023. #rochypride

PMEA DISTRICT 5 JR. HIGH CHORUS

Congratulations to Emily Dempsey, Rylan McCullough, Noah Sarver, and Gaige Wilkins who represented Rochester at the PMEA District 5 Junior High Chorus on January 20.

SkillsUSA District Winners

Congratulations to the following Rochester High School Beaver County Career and Technology seniors who place in SkillsUSA:

- Drayk Monac, Masonry, 1st Place Team Works
- Isabella Seybert, Health Occupations, 1st Place
- Bronc Tomochak, Welding, 5th Place.

Drayk and Isabella will continue on to the State competition!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Sandy Zivko was awarded the “Cost Consciousness” award in the Rochester cafeteria by The Nutrition Group. She absolutely earned it!

Sandy Z is constantly creative, always pitching new ideas, and very mindful about product waste. She has been with the Rochy cafeteria crew for 7 years and as the head cook for a little over a year.

Great job Sandy Z!

MIDDLE SCHOOL PENNY WARS

The Middle School Houses are having a Penny War competition. Dollars and pennies count towards points for each individual House. Silver coins, which are placed in the jars by members of the other Houses, deduct points from the House. Proceeds will be used to benefit the Middle School PTA and programming.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Children living in our district who will be five (5) years old by September 1, 2023, are eligible to register for Kindergarten.

The Elementary will hold their first K-Ready session on Wednesday, February 8, from 5 – 6:30. Dinner will be served.

Kindergarten screening is scheduled for Friday, April 28, which is an In-Service Day.

Parents/Guardians are encouraged to call Ms. Pratte in the elementary school to RSVP.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Saturday, January 28 - Winter Dance
- Monday, February 6 - Board Interviews
- Monday, February 20 – Board Discussion Meeting
- Monday, February 27 – Board Voting Meeting
- Monday, May 1 - Statement of Financial Interest Forms Due

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Attorney Garen Fedeles was present this evening and stated that 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 months of November and December*
2. *Payments of Bills*

General Fund	November \$603,426.34
	December \$2,076,900.76
Cafeteria Fund	November \$53,014.01
	December \$64,075.94
3. *Monthly Financial Reports*

General Fund – Revenue Report
General Fund – Expenditure Report
Cafeteria Fund – Revenue Report
Cafeteria Fund – Expenditure Report
4. *Information Reports*

Tax Collector Reports
Bills to be Approved

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

TEACHERS AND PERSONAL

Ms. Hubbard motioned to approve items 1-3 as follows:

1. Motion to accept the resignation of Nick Long from the position of Special Education Director, effective February 17, 2023.

2. Motion to approve the change of Scott Sullivan's title from Chief of Security/School Resource Officer to Chief of Security/School Police Officer, as a result of his Court Appointment, dated Thursday, January 19, 2023.
3. Motion to approve the following field trips:
 - a. January 24, 2023 - Grades 7 & 8, What's So Cool About Manufacturing Competition to attend Schroeder Industries to make a video about their manufacturing business.
 - b. February 8, 2023 - Grade 11 students to attend the David L. Lawrence Convention Center to learn about different colleges and their Programs.
 - c. February 17, 2023 - Grades 6-8 Middle School Student Council students to attend Rochester Manor to volunteer in the community.
 - d. April 18, 2023 - Grades 7-12 Art students, Art Club members, and advanced elementary Art students to attend the Baron Batch Art Studio to tour the artist Baron Batch's Southside studio.

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

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Mrs. Kronk motioned to approve the following revised and reviewed policies:

<u>Policy</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Title</u>
200 (revised)	Pupils	Enrollment of Students
202 (revised)	Pupils	Eligibility of Nonresident Students
203 (reviewed)	Pupils	Immunizations and Communicable Diseases
251 (revised)	Pupils	Students Experiencing Homelessness, Foster Care and Other Educational Instability
810 (revised)	Operations	Transportation
918 (revised)	Community	Title I Parent and Family Engagement
918 Att A (revised)	Community	Elementary Title I Parent and Family Engagement
918 Att B (revised)	Community	Elementary Title I School/Parent Compact

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

ATHLETICS

Mr. Majors motioned to approve Brian Burton to serve as the 2nd Assistant Track Coach at a supplemental base salary of \$1,000, effective the 2022-2023 school year (clearances on file). Ms. Hubbard seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mr. Majors motioned to approve/accept the resignation of Karl "Tony" Ziegler from the position of Varsity Assistant Football Coach/Defensive Coordinator, effective immediately. Ms. Hubbard seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

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Mr. Majors motioned to approve and accept the resignation of Marc Goosby from the position of Varsity 2nd Assistant Football Coach, effective immediately. Ms. Hubbard seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

BEAVER VALLEY INTERMEDIATE UNIT

Ms. Hubbard motioned to approve Mrs. Jocelyn Haskins as representative on the School District Representatives for the Flourish Beaver County Operating Committee. Mr. Majors seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

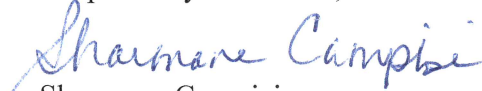
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for this evening, Ms. Hubbard motioned to adjourn this meeting at 7:23 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, January 23, 2023

ATTENDANCE

SCHOOL BOARD

P	Mrs. Marian Acon
P	Mr. Randall Bacon
AB	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
AB	Ms. Rachael Cipolla
AB	Mrs. Kathleen Onuska
AB	Mr. Nick Long
P	Mr. Lou Campisi

COMMITTEE MEETINGS, 6:00 p.m.

The Board assembled for their committee as a whole meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, February 23, 2023.

FINANCE

The Board reviewed Mr. Bruce Senior's request to return the penalty phase of his taxes, an amount totaling \$101.72. After a great deal of discussion, the board decided that they would not reimburse Mr. Senior for the fees. Various reasons were cited including setting precedence, 72 P.S. § 5511.7, which states the failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve a taxpayer of the responsibility to pay their taxes in a timely manner and 53 P.S. § 6924.706, which states that the school district does not have the authority to waive a late penalty as it is statutorily imposed. The Board also discussed that they have no way of knowing why the tax bill was not delivered by the postal service.

FLOURISH BEAVER COUNTY

Discussion ensued regarding selecting a representative for the Flourish Beaver County Board. The RASD Board of Directors chose to nominate RASD Board member Jocelyn Haskins.