

VOTING SESSION

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. Acon.

ROLL CALL

Present

Mrs. Marian R. Acon
Mr. Randall E. Bacon
Mr. Lawrence E. Blackwell
Mr. Dale C. Daman
Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard
Mrs. Christine Kronk
Mr. Floyd B. Tame

Absent

Mr. Patrick J. Cunningham
Mr. Brian C. May

NON-VOTING MEMBERS AND ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT

Dr. Jane Bovalino
Dr. Amanda Cwynar
Mr. Michael Damon
Ms. Rachel Cipolla

Mrs. Kathleen Onuska
Mr. Ryan Herstine

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERSHIP

1. Ms. Hubbard motioned to accept the resignation of Brian C. May from the position of School Director, effective immediately. Mr. Bacon seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.
2. Ms. Hubbard motioned to appoint Thomas W. Majors, a qualified elector of the Rochester Area School District, to fill the unexpired term of Brian C. May, (2023). Mr. Bacon seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote. Let the record show that Mr. Thomas W. Majors was present this evening.

CORRESPONDENCES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

There were no correspondences to be reported this evening.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Tony Ziegler and Mrs. Jessica Dorian presented the OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH as listed below:

6th – Chelsea Ryno
7th – Brodi Babilon
8th - Maddox Lopic

Mrs. Acon thanked the students for being present this evening and congratulated them on their excellent performance. She relayed that she felt they were on their way to excellent careers in their future.

CITIZEN INPUT – ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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

MINUTES

Ms. Hubbard motioned to accept the following minutes:

- September 26, 2022 Voting Meeting and October 10, 2022 Discussion Meeting
- September 26, 2022 and October 10, 2022 Committee Meetings

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

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Bovalino reported the following:

The Challenge Report

Founded by Dan Perkins in 2003, The Challenge Program, Inc.’s mission is to motivate high school students to develop the habits required to succeed in school and in their career by building business/education partnerships. Courtesy of funds provided by business partners, \$3,000 goes directly into the students’ hands at every sponsored event. Congratulations to the following students, each of whom received \$200:

- Seniors
 - Attendance – Alisha Miller
 - Academic Improvement – Bronc Tomochak
 - Academic Excellence – Parker Lyons
 - Community Service – Amaria Simoni
 - STEM – Ryan Clark

(Continued)

- Juniors
 - Academic Achievement - Ashlyn Scheidemantle
 - Academic Improvement – Noah Fosnaught
 - STEM – Samantha Moore
 - Community Service – Nehemiah Haskins
 - Attendance - Saige Holden

GRANDPARENTS DAY

Our elementary school celebrated our annual Grandparents Day on October 13th. It was great to see many families participate in this event.

HOZAK FARMS

Our Life Skills classrooms visited Hozak Farms to learn about farming and enjoy a fall day.

NEW BRIGHTON HALLOWEEN PARADE

Our varsity marching band participated in the annual New Brighton Halloween Parade last week.

PUMPKIN CONTEST

In preparation for Monster Mash, elementary families decorated pumpkins. Congratulations to the following students on their awesome pumpkins:

- 1st place – Dunkin Donuts, created by Cheyenne Brewer
- 2nd place – The Cheshire Cat, created by Jaylah Humphries
- 3rd place – Wall-E created by Rowan Wilkins

MONSTER MASH

The elementary school had their Monster Mash last week. Everyone had a fantastic time.

RED RIBBON WEEK

Red Ribbon Week is a national campaign to raise awareness of the dangers of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. We encourage everyone to participate and pledge to lead a happy, healthy and drug-free life.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thursday, October 27 – End of First Nine Weeks Grading Period
- Friday, October 28 – Act 80 Day, No School for Students, Parent – Teacher Conferences
- Monday October 31 - Halloween

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Attorney Garen Fedeles was present and reported that via e-mail and the school, and Officer Mercier being in court last week, the Judge has determined that Officer Mercier is granted eligibility to be the School Police Officer, in the District's Building. Mrs. Acon inquired as to

where this issue stands now. Attorney Fedeles said that they are working on the agreement with Rochester Township as to how this will be accomplished as the school as in the Township. All will be ready once the agreement is completed.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE and TRANSPORTATION

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

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

General Fund	\$1,118,229.08
Cafeteria Fund	\$92,298.56
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. Bacon seconded the above motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mr. Tame motioned to approve items 1-2 as follows:

1. Motion to approve the contract amendment and Resolution No. 102422-2 with Portnoff Law Associates. The amendment reflects a change in the updated fee schedule, which has not been updated in the past ten (10) years.
2. Motion to approve the Electric Service Agreement with electric supplier Dynegy Energy Services East, LLC, at a Kwh rate of \$0.09485. Our current supplier agreement ends 11/30/22. We were locked in at a rate of \$0.06003. The current Kwh supply rate would be approx. \$0.15 without a locked agreement.

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

TEACHERS AND PERSONNEL

Ms. Hubbard motioned to approve items 1 through 15 as listed below:

1. Motion to approve the following individuals to attend the Pennsylvania Title I Improving School Performance Conference, at Station Square, Pittsburgh, which is scheduled for January 29 through February 1, 2023, at a cost of \$450/each registration fee, plus transportation.

Dr. Amanda Cwynar
Rose Majors

2. Motion to approve the Head of Security/School Police Officer job description (attached).
3. Motion to change Chief Mercier's title from Head of Security to School Police Officer, as a result of his Court Appointment, dated Thursday, October 20, 2022.
4. Motion to approve the following field trips:
 - a. November 10, 2022 – Grades 7 & 8 students to attend Schroeder Industries to participate in the “*What’s So Cool About Manufacturing?*” competition.
 - b. November 10, 2022 – Select High School Chorus members to attend Blackhawk High School to rehearse and perform in the Beaver County Chorus with other students within the County.
 - c. November 15, 2022 – Grades 5-12 GATE students to attend Geneva College to participate in the *Propaganda Tournament*.
 - d. November 18, 2022 – Grades 10-12 students to attend Community College of Beaver County to learn about the program they offer for Post-Secondary Transition.
 - e. November 21, 2022 – Grade 4 GATE students to attend the New Brighton Area High School to participate in the *Propaganda Tournament*.
 - f. December 7, 2022 – Grades 6-8 GATE students to attend the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit to participate in *Lego Mind Storm* for Robotics Day.
 - g. December 19, 2022 – Grades 6-12 GATE students to attend the Community College of Beaver County to participate in the *Equations Tournament*.
 - h. January 12, 2023 – Select High School Chorus members to attend Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) District Chorus to rehearse and perform with other students from other counties.

- i. January 20, 2023 – Select 7-9 Grade Chorus students to attend Seneca Valley School District to rehearse and perform with other students from other counties in the Jr. High District Chorus.
 - j. January 26, 2023 – Grades 5-12 GATE students to attend Blackhawk Middle School to participate in the *World Events Tournament*.
 - k. February 23, 2023 - Grades 6-12 GATE students to attend Geneva College to participate in the *President's Tournament*.
 - l. March 9, 2023 – Grades 4-12 GATE students to attend Penn State Beaver College to participate in the Math 24 Tournament.
 - m. May 15, 2023 – Grade1 students to attend Westminster College to see the play *Celebrity Series for Kids – The Gruffalo*.
5. Motion to approve Megan Mouas' request to transfer twenty-eight (28) sick days from Chartiers Valley School District
 6. Motion to approve Caryn Morrow to serve as the Prom Co-Sponsor at a supplemental base salary of \$125 for the 2022-2023 school year.
 7. Motion to approve Nicole Tomasko to be added to the list of Elementary Saturday Detention Monitors at a rate of \$25/hour, as per contract.
 8. Motion to accept the resignation of Diane Eisenbrown from the position of School-wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (SWPBIS) committee member, effective October 5, 2022.
 9. Motion to approve Alyssa Miles to be added to the list of S.P.I.R.E./Sound Sensible Teachers for the after school program.
 10. Motion to approve the Family Medical Leave request of Employee #4629 beginning November 17, 2022 through December 29, 2022.
 11. Motion to approve the Family Medical Leave request of Employee #4680 beginning August 22, 2022 through November 14, 2022.
 12. Motion to approve the request of Jennifer Pittman, High School Paraprofessional, to take the following unpaid days:
 - October 27, 2022 – 0.5 day (P.M. Only)
 - October 28, 2022 – 1.00 day
 - October 31, 2022 – 1.00 day

13. Motion to approve the following student teacher from Geneva College and the cooperating teacher for the Spring 2023 semester (January 9, 2023 through April 27, 2023):

<u>Student Teacher</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>	<u>Subject Area</u>
Vernell Gardner-Quarrells	Glory Shychuck	Math 7-12

14. Motion to approve Scott Bennett to serve as a substitute custodian through TREND.
15. Motion to approve the following individuals to be added to the K-12 volunteer list (clearances on file):

Tammi Babilon (Band)
Joshua Baptiste (Assistant for Baseball)
Courtney Hilliard (PTA)
Kasi Kerr (PTA)
Jennifer Pittman (DARE2XL)

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

POLICIES and PROCEDURES

Mr. Kronk motioned to approve the following revised policies:

<u>Policy</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Title</u>
008	Local Board Procedures	Organization Chart
217	Pupils	Graduation Requirements

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

ATHLETICS

Mr. Blackwell motioned to approve Mike Frank to serve as the Bocce (Interscholastic Unified) Co-Coach effective immediately at a supplemental stipend of \$500 for the 2022-2023 school year, due to the resignation of Michael Cuning.

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Hubbard motioned to adjourn at 7:12 p.m. as there was no further business for this evening.
Mr. Bacon seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Carol Gross", is written over the typed name.

Carol Gross, Board Secretary