

VOTING SESSION MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Hubbard led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present

Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard, President
Mrs. Jocelyn N. Haskins, Vice President
Mr. Randall E. Bacon
Mr. James Bogolea
Mr. Thomas Daman
Mr. John L. Pfeuffer, IV
Mrs. Christine S. Kronk, Treasurer

Absent

Mr. Lawrence Blackwell
Mr. Dale Daman

NON-VOTING MEMBERS and ADMINISTRATORS IN ATTENDANCE

Dr. Jane Bovalino
Dr. Amanda Cwynar
Mr. Michael Damon
Ms. Rachael Cipolla
Mr. Nathan Leeman

Mrs. Kathleen Onuska
Mr. Louis Campisi
Mr. Ryan Herstine
Chief Cory Zelenak

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Approve the resignation of Dale C. Daman from the position of School Director, effective February 19, 2024.

Discussion: Mr. Tom Daman read a letter to withdraw Mr. Dale Daman's resignation from the Board seat. The validity of this letter is being questioned.

Motion: Haskins
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion carried 6-1 (Haskins, Bacon, Bogolea, Pfeuffer, Kronk and Hubbard voting yea; Daman voting nay)

Approve the appointment of Thomas W. Majors, a qualified elector of the Rochester Area School District, to fill the unexpired term of Dale C. Daman, (2025).

Motion: Haskins

Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried 7-0

Mr. Majors took his Oath of Office with Ms. Leslie King, Notary Public, on Friday, February 23, 2024. Let the record reflect that Mr. Majors is present and seated at this Voting Meeting.

Approve to appoint Mrs. Jocelyn Haskins as the Representative to the Beaver County Career and Technical Center to replace Mr. Dale Daman.

Motion: Hubbard
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried 8-0

Motion to approve the 2024 Revised Committees.

Motion: Haskins
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried 8-0

CORRESPONDENCES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

There was no correspondence to come before the Board.

PRESENTATION

Mr. Tony Ziegler and Mrs. Jessica Dorian addressed the Board by presenting each of the following students with certificates. ***Congratulations** to all students for their exemplary work, behavior, and abilities!*

A. FEBRUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

6TH - Grade Hewitt
7TH - Clayton Jackson
8TH - Mark Hollibaugh

- B. Mr and Mrs. Brian/Laurie Frank, Rochester Elks #283 presented the winners of *The 2023-24 Americanism Essay Contest*. The title of the essay was “What The Bill of Rights Means To Me.” The winners were congratulated and presented a \$20 Gift Card for Target.

6th - Emma Drumm
Kailee Martin
A’Miyah McCray
7th - Clayton Jackson
Jesse Kuppinger
Zach Sylvester
8th - Danica Castelucci
George Klezia, V
Ben Morris

It should be noted that Danica Castelucci and George Klezia, V, were chosen to move to the next contest level.

CITIZEN INPUT – ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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

MINUTES

Accept the following minutes:

- January 22, 2024, Voting Meeting, February 19, 2024, Discussion Meeting, respectfully submitted by Mrs. Sharmane Campisi, Board Secretary.
- January 22, 2024 and February 19, 2024 Committee Meeting.

Motion: Bacon
Second: Haskins
Results: Motion Carried, 8-0

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Bovalino stated there was nothing to report at this time.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Attorney Taryn Hardy was present, in Attorney Fedeles' absence, and reported that the Board went into Executive Session prior to the Board Meeting to discuss negotiations.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE AND TRANSPORTATION

Approve the following reports:

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

General Fund	\$788,303.38
Cafeteria Fund	\$ 36,145.65
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

Motion: Kronk
Second: Majors
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve, based on the request of the Auditor, to rescind the August 7, 2023 payment of bills for the General Fund in the amount of \$2,423,239.58 and the Cafetera Fund in the amount of \$69,200.27.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Majors
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the following items from August 7, 2023:

Payment of Bills:

a.	General Fund	\$	1,902,054.46
b.	Cafeteria Fund	\$	63,696.57

Motion: Kronk
Second: Majors
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the exoneration of Donna S. Robson from collection of the unpaid 2023 RASD Real Estate Taxes for the Borough of Rochester in the amount of \$270,269.10 and penalty of \$27,027.26. The unpaid taxes will be turned over to Portnoff Law Associates, the District's delinquent real estate tax collector.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Majors
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the exoneration of Deborah L. Ahern from collection of the unpaid 2023 RASD Real Estate Taxes for the Borough of East Rochester in the amount of \$26,234.84 and penalty of \$2,623.48. The unpaid taxes will be turned over to Portnoff Law Associates, the District's delinquent real estate tax collector.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Majors
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the exoneration of Gary L. Johnson from collection of the unpaid 2023 RASD Real Estate Taxes for Rochester Township in the amount of \$137,773.82 and penalty of \$13,777.36. The unpaid taxes will be turned over to Portnoff Law Associates, the District's delinquent real estate tax collector.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Majors
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the request made by Kacie Peterson to exonerate all taxes on Parcel No. 76-004-0130.000, the undeveloped and unused residential land located at 753 Wolf Avenue, Rochester Township. Total delinquent taxes are \$1,570.17. The property has been in the repository since April 26, 2016.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Majors
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the continuation of the contract with Lexadan for consulting services for the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Majors
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the following additional bus drivers, van drivers and monitors from Frye Transportation for the 2023-2024 school year (clearances on file).

Stephanie Bonon	Kevin McGuire	Jesse Shepler
Hunter Burke	Summer Mortimer	Lynne Turnbull
James Butera	Dominic Nuzzo	Cindy Vongray
Renee Frye	Myriah Pack	Erica Wallace
Robbie George	Sheryl Palmer	
Melissa Hockenberry	Nicole Seivers	

Motion: Kronk
Second: Majors
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

TEACHERS AND PERSONNEL

Approve the three-year agreement with Louis P. Campisi, Director of Maintenance and Facilities, at a salary of \$82,458, retroactive to January 22, 2024.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the agreement with Ryan Herstine, to serve as Director of Technology, at a salary of \$86,000, effective July 1, 2024. This position will be included in the Act 93 Agreement and will receive all rights and benefits included in the Act 93 agreement.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the following field trips:

- a. February 8, 2024 - Juniors and select Senior students to participate in the College Fair at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center.
- b. February 9, 2024 - Grades 6-8 Middle School Student Council students perform Community service at Rochester Manor.
- c. February 14, 2024 - Grades 6-8 Middle School Youth Ambassador students to attend the YAP Program at Center Stage.
- d. March 14, 2024 - Grades K-5 Autistic Support and Grades K-2 Life Skills students to attend Carnegie Science Center in Pittsburgh to have them engage in different sensory activities related to Science.
- e. March 26, 2024 - Grade 7-9 selected students participate in the PMEA District 5 Junior High Band at Seneca Valley School District.
- f. March 26, 2024 - Grade 4 GATE/Enrichment students to practice the Academic Game Equations at New Brighton High School
- g. April 12, 2024 - Select 5th & 6th Grade Chorus students to participate in Middle School Chorus Festival at Grove City High School.
- h. April 18 - 23, 2024 - Qualifying GATE students to travel to Atlanta, Georgia to compete in the Academic Games Leagues of America (AGLOA) National Competition
- i. May 15, 2024 - Grade 6 students participate in the Sixth Grade Spelling Bee at Western Beaver Jr./Sr. High School.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve three (3) comp days to Elise Gorman and Glory Shychuck for accompanying the GATE students in Atlanta, Georgia for the AGLOA National Competition. The three (3) comp days must be used during the 2024-2025 school year and may not be carried over.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the following student intern from the University of Pittsburgh and cooperating teacher for the Fall 2024 Term, beginning Monday, August 26, 2024 through Friday, December 13, 2024.

<u>Student Intern</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>	<u>Subject Area</u>
Katherine "Kat" Davis	Jill Gilarno	Speech Language

Motion: Kronk

Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the request of Ashley Barbour, Paraprofessional, to take February 5, 2024 as an unpaid sick day.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve Kyleb J. Fracasso to be added to the substitute custodian list (clearances on file).

Motion: Kronk
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the following individuals to be added to the approved volunteer list (clearances on file):

Carlen L. Blackstone (Elementary Reading and Mentoring Program)
Nicole DePace (Elementary)
Roberta S. Klaphake (Elementary Reading and Mentoring Program)
Heather M. Shoffstall (Elementary Reading and Mentoring Program)
Michael Patsch (Baseball)
Maria R. Wesley (Elementary Reading and Mentoring Program)
Timothy R. Wesley (Elementary Reading and Mentoring Program)

Motion: Kronk
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve Lou Campisi, Director of Maintenance and Facilities, to attend the Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials (PASBO) 69th Annual Conference and Exhibits in Hershey, Pennsylvania, on March 5, 2024 through March 8, 2024, at a cost of \$349 registration fee, plus transportation and lodging.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Accept the resignation of Karen O'Neal from the position of General Assistant in the Nutrition Services Department effective Tuesday, February 20, 2024.

Motion: Kronk
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY

Approve the Beaver County Education Initiative, Flourish Beaver County Scholarship for Beaver County students Memorandum of Understanding. The MOU allows our students to become involved in post-secondary scholarship opportunities.

Motion: Haskins
Second: Kronk
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the Addendum for the 2024-2025 Middle School and High School Plan of Studies.

Motion: Haskins
Second: Kronk
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Approve the following policies:

<u>Policy</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Title</u>
254 (<i>new</i>)	Pupils	Educational Opportunity for Military Children
254 Att. 1 (<i>new</i>)	Pupils	Educational Opportunity for Military Children " <i>Compact Rules</i> "
610 (<i>revised</i>)	Finances	Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation
611 (<i>reviewed</i>)	Finances	Purchases Budgeted
810 (<i>revised</i>)	Operations	Transportation

Motion: T. Damon
Second: Pfeuffer
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

BUILDING and GROUNDS

Approve the request made by Toni Howells of CEF of Beaver County to use room 1921 at no cost, for *The Good News Club*.

Motion: Haskins
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the request made by Rochester Area Baseball and Softball Organization (RABS) to use the Multipurpose Room on April 13, 2024, at no cost, for their team photos.

Motion: Haskins
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

Approve the request made by C.J. Iannini of Youth Cheer to use the Elementary Cafeteria on February 20th, March 11th and April 8, 2024 to hold their organization meeting and registration.

Motion: Haskins
Second: Bacon
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

ATHLETICS

Accept the resignation of Samuel Laure from the position of Assistant Football Coach / Offensive Coordinator effective November 1, 2023.

Motion: Bacon
Second: Haskins
Results: Motion Carried; 8-0

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

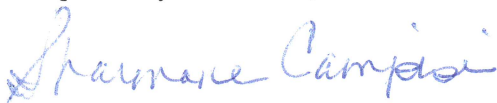
There was no public participation on non-agenda items.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn the Discussion meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Motion: Haskins
Second: Bacon
Result: Motion Carried, 8-0

Respectfully submitted,



Sharmane Campisi
Board Secretary

ROCHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Monday, February 26, 2024, Boardroom

ATTENDANCE

SCHOOL BOARD

P	Mr. Randall Bacon
AB	Mr. Lawrence Blackwell
P	Mr. James Bogolea
AB	Mr. Dale Daman
P	Mr. Thomas Daman
P	Mrs. Jocelyn Haskins
P	Miss Michelle Hubbard
P	Mrs. Christine Kronk
P	Mr. John Pfeuffer
P	Mr. Thomas Majors

ADMINISTRATION AND PRESENTERS

P + EX SESS	Dr. Jane Bovalino
P	Mr. Rodney Bobin
P	Mr. Lou Campisi
P	Ms. Rachael Cipolla
P	Dr. Amanda Cwynar
P	Mr. Ryan Herstine
P	Mr. Nathan Leeman
P + EX SESS	Mr. Kathleen Onuska

EXECUTIVE SESSION, 6:00 P.M.

An Executive session was held at 6:00 p.m., prior to the Regular Discussion Meeting to discuss contractual issues and negotiations.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

Beginning at 6:35 p.m., Mr. Lou Campisi and Mrs. Kathleen Onuska provided an overview of the Buildings & Grounds budget for the 2024-2025 school year. We also reviewed the five year plan. Mr. Ryan Herstine followed with an overview of the 2024-2025 Technology budget.