#### **VOTING SESSION MEETING**

#### CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Hubbard led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Present

Absent

Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard, President

Mr. James Bogolea

Mrs. Jocelyn N. Haskins, Vice President

Mr. Randall E. Bacon

Mr. Lawrence Blackwell

Mr. Thomas Daman

Mr. Thomas Majors

Mr. John L. Pfeuffer, IV

Mrs. Christine S. Kronk, Treasurer

## NON-VOTING MEMBERS and ADMINISTRATORS IN ATTENDANCE

Dr. Jane Bovalino

Mrs. Kathleen Onuska

Dr. Amanda Cwynar

Mr. Louis Campisi

Mr. Michael Damon

Chief Cory Zelenak

Ms. Rachael Cipolla

Mr. Nathan Leeman

# 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, compassion, leadership and positive attitude towards learning!

> Mr. Tony Ziegler and Mrs. Jessica Dorian a.

## MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

6TH - Keiry Alvarado

7TH - Zachary Sylvester

8TH - Kennedy Dijon

# <u>CITIZEN INPUT – ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY</u>

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

#### **MINUTES**

Accept the following minutes:

- February 26, 2024 Voting Meeting and March 11, 2024 Discussion Meeting, respectfully submitted by Mrs. Sharmane Campisi, Board Secretary.
- February 26, 2024 and March 11, 2024 Committee Meetings.

*Discussion:* Mr. Daman inquired about the District Attorney's letter that was shared with the Board on March 11, 2024. Mr. Daman requested that the letter be attached to the minutes. Attorney Fedeles responded that it is not common to attach every correspondence to Board Minutes. Attorney Fedeles also stated that if anyone would like to view the letter, they are to contact the Superintendent's office.

Motion: Bacon Second: Kronk

Results: Motion Carried (8-0)

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

#### BC EDUCATIONAL HALL OF FAME

Please join me in congratulating Marta Karwoski on being inducted into the 2024 Class of the Beaver County Educational Trust Education Hall of Fame. The Induction Celebration will be held at Seven Oaks Country Club on May 7 at 6 pm. Please let either Leslie or me know by April 5 if you would like to attend. The 2024 Inductees also include: Rosa Mae (Willis) Alford, New Brighton Big Beaver Falls Area School District; Marta Karwoski, Rochester Area School District, PA Cyber; Ann Patton, Geneva College; Betty Sue Schaughency, Beaver Area School District.

#### WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY

Our staff "Rocked their socks!" with crazy socks for World Down Syndrome Day last Thursday.

#### K-12 FUN

High School Student Council members dyed eggs on Friday with the kindergarten students.

#### FCCLA AWARDS

BC CTC students recently competed in the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Awards. Congratulations to the following Rochester High School students: Kaycie Hall received a Silver Medal for Food Innovations and Morgan Jones received a Silver Medal for Cake Decorating.

## PTA CRAFT SHOW

Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 6 and come out to support the PTA at the annual Craft Show.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Thursday, March 28 Monday, April 1
  - Spring Break
- Saturday, April 6
  - o PTA Craft Show
- Monday, April 8
  - o Eclipse, Early Dismissal
  - Board Discussion Meeting

#### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Attorney Fedeles was present and stated there was nothing to report at this time.

## **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## **FINANCE AND TRANSPORTATION**

Approve the following reports:

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

General Fund

\$713,575.48

Cafeteria Fund

\$ 2,804.61

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 the request made by MKB Property Solutions and Investments, LLC to exonerate all taxes on Parcel No. 49-001-1519-000-01-1, the undeveloped and unused residential land located at 471 Kossuth Street, Rochester Borough. Total delinquent taxes are \$12,680.57. The property has been in the repository since 2016.

Motion:

Kronk

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

Approve the request made by W. John Rackley, Esquire on behalf of the Rochester Borough Sewer and Maintenance Authority to exonerate the real estate taxes of the following Parcel Numbers that are situated in the Borough of Rochester. The Authority acquired the Parcels on September 12, 2022.

Parcel No. 49-002-1100.000 (0 Lewis Way, Rochester Borough)

Parcel No. 49-002-1039.000 (201 Water Street, Rochester Borough)

Parcel No. 49-002-1038.000 (0 Harrison Street, Rochester Borough)

Parcel No. 49-002-1035.000 (0 Harrison Street, Rochester Borough)

Parcel No. 49-002-1033.000 (0 Water Street, Rochester Borough)

Parcel No. 49-002-1034.000 (0 Water Street, Rochester Borough)

The Borough Sewer and Maintenance Authority paid the 2023-2024 School taxes and requests that the School District exonerates those taxes and refunds the sum of \$2,528.60.

Motion:

Kronk

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (7-0) with Mr. Blackwell abstaining

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

William Chamberlain

Rose Johnson

James Huselton

Michael Rossi

Motion:

Kronk

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

Approve the Workplace Wellness Agreement with The Flourish Group to plan and provide a half-day wellness fair and education event for District employees beginning May 22, 2024 and ending August 31, 2024 at a cost of \$2,500.

Motion:

Kronk

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

#### TEACHERS AND PERSONNEL

Approve the five (5) year Act 93 Administrator Compensation Plan Agreement beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029 as required by Section 1164 of the Pennsylvania School Code of 1949.

Motion:

Kronk

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

Approve the Voluntary Retirement Incentive Program for the Professional Staff valid the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion:

Kronk

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

Approve the Voluntary Retirement Incentive Program for the Non-Professional Staff valid the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion:

Kronk

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

Approve the following field trip(s):

- a. March 15, 2024 Grades 3-5 Life Skills students to travel to Cinemark Theater as part of their Community Based Instruction program.
- March 21, 2024 Grades 9-12 to attend Lindsay Family Theaster and Beaver Valley Mall Food Court as part of their School-wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (SWPBIS) Program
- c. May 2, 2024 Kindergarten students to attend Keystone Safari to learn about the different animals.
- d. May 10, 2024 Grade 3 students to attend the Carnegie Science Center to Learn about hands-on science applications.
- e. May 24, 2024 Grades 9-12 Future Educators of America (FEA) students to attend Kindred Spirits Rescue Ranch in Darlington.

Motion:

Kronk

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

Approve the following individual to be added to the approved list of those who may drive District owned vehicles:

Melanie Mangus Valerie Perelman

Motion:

Kronk

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

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

Kenda Daubenspeck (Elementary Morning Program)

Keyera Fisher (Elementary)

Katie Henry (Softball)

Robert D. Miller (Elementary Morning Program)

Lynn Sevick (Elementary Reading and Mentoring Program)

Shannon Stewart (Elementary)

Motion:

Kronk

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

March 25, 2024

Approve Chief Cory Zelenak, School Police Officer, to attend the Pennsylvania Association of School Resource Officers (PASRO), 2024 School Safety Conference at The Central Hotel & Conference Center in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on July 29 - 31, 2024, at a cost of \$325 registration fee, plus transportation and lodging.

Motion: Kronk Second: Bacon

Results: Motion Carried (8-0)

Approve the request of Vicki Henley, Paraprofessional, to take unpaid days beginning April 3, 2024 through April 12, 2024.

Motion: Kronk Second: Bacon

Results: Motion Carried (8-0)

Approve the request of Alexandra Javens, Teacher, to take an unpaid day on March 19, 2024.

Motion: Kronk Second: Bacon

Results: Motion Carried (8-0)

#### CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY

Approve the Rochester Area School District Comprehensive Plan for 2024-2027. Besides the district's overall comprehensive program, this plan also includes the Gifted Education Plan (Chapter 16), the Student Services Plan (Chapter 12), the Educator Induction Plan (Chapter 49), and the Professional Education/Professional Development Plan (Act 48).

Motion: Haskins Second: Kronk

Results: Motion Carried (8-0)

Approve the 2024-2025 School Calendar (see attached).

Motion: Haskins Second: Kronk

Results: Motion Carried (8-0)

Approve the revised 2024 Board of School Directors Meetings Calendar.

Motion: Haskins Second: Kronk

Results: Motion Carried (8-0)

March 25, 2024

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Rochester Area Education Association (RAEA) to utilize Rochester Cyber Academy (RCA) to provide online courses offered to the District students through August 15, 2029.

Motion:

Haskins

Second:

Kronk

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

#### **ATHLETICS**

Accept the resignation of Michael Sarver from the position of 7th & 8th Grade Assistant Football Coach effective March 11, 2024.

Motion:

Blackwell

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

#### BEAVER VALLEY INTERMEDIATE UNIT

Approve Resolution No. 032524-02 for the 2024-2025 Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit's General Operating Budget. The Budget totals \$2,313,189. This includes an increase of \$704,276 from the 2023-2024 Budget.

Motion:

Blackwell

Second:

Kronk

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

## BEAVER COUNTY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER

Approve Lawrence E. Blackwell to serve as the Representative for the Rochester Area School District on the Beaver Valley Intermediate Unit's *Board of Directors* to serve for a three (3) year term commencing July 1, 2024 and ending of June 30, 2027.

Motion:

Haskins

Second:

Bacon

Results:

Motion Carried (8-0)

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Eric Frisco addressed the Board regarding an incident that took place in the cafeteria involving his son. Mrs. Jessica Frisco mentioned to the Board she had concern regarding her son and one of his classes.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourn the voting meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Motion:

Haskins

Second:

Blackwell

Result:

Motion Carried, 8-0

Respectfully submitted,

Sharmane Campisi Board Secretary

# ROCHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION Monday, March 25, 2024

#### **ATTENDANCE**

#### SCHOOL BOARD

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

#### ADMINISTRATION AND PRESENTERS

Р	Dr. Jane Bovalino
Р	Mr. Lou Campisi
Р	Ms. Rachael Cipolla
Р	Dr. Amanda Cwynar
Р	Mr. Michael Damon
Р	Mr. Nathan Leeman
Р	Mr. Kathleen Onuska

# COMMITTEE MEETINGS, 6:00 p.m.

The Committee-of-the-Whole met at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom located in the Rochester High School. Chad Agnew presented the 2023 Audit and answered questions from the Board. Following the presentation, Mrs. Onuska and Mr. Leeman provided an overview of charter schools and placement costs. Dr. Bovalino reviewed Policy 903 and the proposed changes.