

## **DISCUSSION/WORK SESSION MEETING**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Michelle L. Hubbard, Board President, called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Ms. Hubbard led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL**

#### **Present**

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

#### **Absent**

### **NON-VOTING MEMBERS and ADMINISTRATORS**

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

Mrs. Kathleen Onuska  
Mr. Louis Campisi  
Chief Cory Zelenak

### **CORRESPONDENCES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD**

There was no correspondence to come before the Board.

### **CITIZEN INPUT – ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

There was no citizen input on agenda items.

### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the March 25, 2024 Voting Meeting, respectfully submitted by Mrs. Sharmane Campisi, Board Secretary, and the March 25, 2024 Committee Meeting will be voted upon at the next Voting Meeting.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Bovalino reported that the PTA Craft Show was a huge success and reminded Board members to RSVP to the Beaver County Educational Trust dinner by tomorrow if they plan on attending.

Congratulations were extended to the following students on their achievements:

- Tia Yellock, Class 2A First Team, All-Section, Women's Basketball

- Xavier Rigby, Class 1A First Team, All Section, Men's Basketball
- Jayvin Hemer, Class 1A First Team, All Section, Men's Basketball
- Colson Long, 2024 8U 75 lbs Pennsylvania State Wrestling Championship. Colson wrestles with Freedom.

### **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

Attorney Fedeles reported that contract negotiation continues for the Rochester Education Support Professionals Association (RESPA) and Rochester Support Professionals Association (RSPA).

### **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Finance and Transportation**

Mrs. Kronk recommended approving the 2022-2023 Audit, as presented by Chad Agnew of J. Martin & Associates, LLC, on March 25, 2024.

#### **Teachers and Personnel**

Mrs. Kronk recommended approving Rose Majors, Title I and Curriculum Coordinator, to attend the Pennsylvania Association Federal Program Coordinators (PAFPC), 2024 PAFPC Annual Conference at The Westin Pittsburgh Hotel & Resort in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on April 14, 2024 through April 17, 2024, at a cost of \$425 registration fee, plus transportation and lodging.

Mrs. Kronk recommended approving the following field trip(s):

- a. April 19, 2024 - Grades 3-5 Life Skills students to attend Living Treasures Animal Park as part of their Community Based Instruction and Independent Living Skills.
- b. May 7, 2024 - Grades 6-12 Life Skills and Grades 6-8 Emotional Support students to attend Keystone Safari as part of their Community Based Instruction and real world experiences.
- c. May 8, 2024 - Grades 9-12 School-wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (SWPBIS) students to attend PNC Park to recognize their positive behavior throughout the year.
- d. May 17, 2024 - Grades 3-5 Life Skills students to attend Ewing Park in Ellwood City as part of their Community Based Instruction and Independent Living Skills.
- e. June 4, 2024 - Grades 6-8 School-wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (SWPBIS) students to attend Sims Bowling Lane to recognize their positive behavior throughout the year.
- f. June 5, 2024 - Grade 5 students to attend PNC Park Tours to raise awareness and appreciation for cultural diversity through learning and reading about "*Roberto Clemente: Pride of the Pittsburgh Pirates*"

Mrs. Kronk recommended approving Mrs. Casey Woodley's request to enroll her non-resident child, grade 10, for the 2024-2025 school year.

Mrs. Kronk recommended approving Lora Sarver to serve in the part-time, 4 hours, General Assistant position in the Nutrition Services Department effective April 4, 2024 at a rate of \$14 per hour, as per contract (clearances on file), due to the resignation of Karen O'Neal.

Mrs. Kronk recommended approving the following General Assistants in the Nutrition Services Department to work the Summer Food Service Program at their hourly rate:

Sandra Barker  
Karen Martin  
Jaimie Powell  
Marcie Sisco  
Sandra Zivko

Mrs. Kronk recommended approving the following Substitute General Assistants in the Nutrition Services Department to work the Summer Food Service Program at their hourly rate:

Linnea Greco

Mrs. Kronk recommended approving the following individual to be added to the approved list of those who may drive District owned vehicles:

Brad Verrico

Mrs. Kronk recommended approving the following individual to be added to the approved volunteer list (clearances on file).

Maggie Matsook (Elementary)

### **Curriculum and Technology**

Mrs. Haskins recommended approving the revised 2023-2024 School Calendar (see attached).

Mrs. Haskins recommended approving the purchase of the textbooks, digital licenses and curriculum for the 2024-2025 school year, as presented (Attachment 1).

Mrs. Haskins recommended approving the Seton Hill University, College in High School Dual Credit Agreement beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027 (2024-2025, 2025-2026, 2026-2027) at a tuition cost of \$80 for a one (1) credit course or \$230 for each three-four (3-4) credit courses.

### **Policies and Procedures**

Mr. Majors recommended approving the following policy:

| <b><u>Policy</u></b> | <b><u>Section</u></b> | <b><u>Title</u></b>              |
|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 903 <i>(revised)</i> | Community             | Public Comment in Board Meetings |

April 8, 2024

**Athletics**

Mr. Blackwell recommended accepting the resignation of Denver Altieri from the supplemental position of Varsity Cheering Sponsor effective at the end of the 2023-2024 session.

Mr. Blackwell recommended approving \_\_\_\_\_ to serve as the Varsity Cheerleading Sponsor at a supplemental base salary of \$3000 for the 2024-2025 school year, as per contract.

Mr. Blackwell recommended approving \_\_\_\_\_ to serve as the 7th & 8th Grade Head Football Coach at a supplemental base salary of \$1,200 effective immediately, as per contract.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

There was no public participation on non-agenda items.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourn the Discussion meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Motion: Haskins  
Second: Majors  
Result: Motion Carried, 9-0

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sharmane Campisi" followed by a stylized monogram "JAK".

Sharmane Campisi  
Board Secretary

# ROCHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

Monday, April 8, 2024

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### ATTENDANCE

#### SCHOOL BOARD

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

#### ADMINISTRATION AND PRESENTERS

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|---|---------------------|
| P | Dr. Jane Bovalino   |
| P | Mr. Lou Campisi     |
| P | Ms. Rachael Cipolla |
| P | Dr. Amanda Cwynar   |
| P | Mr. Michael Damon   |
| P | Mr. Nathan Leeman   |
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| P | Mr. Brad Verrico    |
| P | Chief Cory Zelenak  |

### COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Committee-of-the-Whole began at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom located in Rochester High School. Business Manager Kathleen Onuska reviewed the proposed 2024-2025 Athletic Budget. Athletic Director Mr. Brad Verrico provided an overview of the past year.

Mrs. Onuska reviewed the proposed Security Budget. Chief Cory Zelenak reviewed this past year's safety planning and program. The board discussed security wages and asked Mrs. Onuska to further analyze various increases. Dr. Bovalino reviewed grant updates from PCCD with regard to safety, mental health and physical security.

Middle School/High School Principal Mr. Michael Damon reviewed Board Policy 202, Eligibility of Nonresident Students, and apprised the board of recent issues with residency with which the administration is dealing.

Dr. Bovalino shared that the district has been working with various community stakeholders who would like to offer scholarships to Rochester High School students. Wes Hill proposed a \$1,000 VFW Junction City Post 128 Scholarship and Petra Tallo proposed two \$1,000 scholarships in memory of former teacher and coach, Jen Milne, called the Jen Milne Perseverance Awards. These scholarships will be available to our current seniors.