

VOTING SESSION MINUTES
May 18, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Jocelyn Haskins, Board President, at 6:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mrs. Haskins.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mrs. Jocelyn N. Haskins, President
Mr. Thomas W. Majors, Vice President
Mr. James A. Bogolea
Mr. Thomas B. Daman

Mrs. Victoria C. Dillliott, Treasurer
Mr. Charles J. "C.J." Iannini
Mrs. Dana L. Morell-Verrico

Absent:

Mr. Lawrence Blackwell
Mr. Thomas Hilliard

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
Mr. Ryan Herstine

CORRESPONDENCES TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

Thank you note from Ms. Leslie King.

Note from Ms. Pauline Gaffney regarding bicycle safety including a recommendation for the property behind the school to be dedicated for student bicycle use.

PRESENTATION(S):

- a. Mr. Tony Ziegler and Mrs. Jessica Dorian
MAY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH
6TH - Madison Gamble
7TH - Ella Adams
8TH - Parker Dwire

CITIZEN INPUT – ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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

MINUTES

Motion to accept the following minutes:

- April 27, 2026, Voting Meeting, respectfully submitted by Mrs. Sharmane Campisi, Board Secretary.
- April 27, 2026 and May 11, 2026 Board Committee Meetings, respectfully submitted by Dr. Jane W. Bovalino

Motion: Mr. Majors

Second: Mr. Iannini

Result: Motion carried (7-0)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Bovalino reported that Rochester Borough Police Chief Dawn Shane and PenDOT are hosting a Summer Safety Assembly on Wednesday for our elementary children. The elementary is also having a Star Spangled Week and celebrating our nation this week.

Last week, Rochester hosted New Brighton for the Special Olympics. The students, leaders, and chaperones had a great time!

Congratulations to our student athletes. Our baseball team finished 1 game short of the playoffs. During their last home game, they recognized 4 graduating seniors: Lennon Miller, Jacob Shaffer, Andrew Miller and Dylan Zivko.

For Track & Field, Jett Williams qualified for the javelin event and earned a 10th place finish at the WPIAL Championships. Kamryn Newman qualified for the long jump and finished 13th overall. Ben Kaufman, Tymier Hayes, Julian Banks and Judah Kaufman qualified for the 4x800 relay event and finished 8th overall at the WPIAL Championships.

Our high school celebrated their prom and crowned Kamryn Newman queen and Shannon Zawislak princess.

In closing, Dr. Bovalino reminded the board of the end-of-year events and to complete the BVIU ballots.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Attorney Shannon Steele was present. An Executive Session was held prior to this evening's meeting and on Monday, May 11, 2026, to discuss personnel matters.

NOMINATION OF BOARD SECRETARY:

President Haskins accepted nominations for Board Secretary to serve a period of three years, May 2026 through May 2029.

Mr. Majors nominated Mr. Iannini for the position of Board Secretary. Mrs. Dillliott seconded the motion. As there were no other nominations, President Haskins closed the nominations and asked for a roll call vote to nominate Mr. Charles "C.J." Iannini as the Board Secretary to serve a term of three years, May 2026 through May 2029.

Motion: Mr. Majors Second: Mrs. Dillliott Result: Motion carried (7-0)

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance and Transportation

Motion to approve the Financial Reports in items 1 through 4 as listed:

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

General Fund	\$	605,799.54
Cafeteria Fund	\$	323.67
Activity Fund	\$	202.75
3. Monthly Financial Reports

General Fund – Revenue Report
General Fund – Expenditure Report
Cafeteria Fund – Revenue Report
Cafeteria Fund – Expenditure Report
4. Informational Reports

Bills to be Approved

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the 2026-2027 preliminary proposed final budget in the amount of \$20,994,617, which includes a 0.7 mil tax increase. After a motion by Mrs. Dillliott and second by Mr. Majors, a roll call vote was taken with Mr. Bogolea, Mrs. Haskins, Mr. Iannini, Mr. Majors, and Mrs. Morell-Verrico voting Yay, and Mr. Daman and Mrs. Dillliott voting Nay. Motion carried 5-2.

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (5-2)

Motion to approve Resolution No. 051826-10 authorizing the advertising and public display of the 2026-2027 preliminary proposed final General Fund Budget.

Motion: Mrs. Dillriott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the request made by Attorney Max A. Schmierer, Esq. on behalf of the Rochester Area Joint Sewer Authority to exonerate all taxes (current, past and future) including the \$1,868.72 that is being requested by Portnoff Law Associates, LTD, on Parcel No. 48-001-1009-000, located at 349 New York Avenue (sewage disposal plant), Rochester Borough. After a motion by Mrs. Dillriott and second by Mr. Majors, a roll call vote was taken with Mr. Bogolea, Mrs. Dillriott, Mrs. Haskins, Mr. Iannini, Mr. Majors, and Mrs. Morell-Verrico voting Yay, and Mr. Daman voting Nay. Motion carried 6-1

Motion: Mrs. Dillriott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (6-1)

Motion to approve the 1-year renewal of The Nutrition Group Inc. as the district's food service management company beginning the 2026-2027 school year, beginning July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

Motion: Mrs. Dillriott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Teachers & Personnel

Motion to ratify the approval of the retirement incentive for the professional staff, dated March 11, 2026.

Motion: Mrs. Dillriott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to ratify acceptance of the retirement of the following Professional staff members at the end of the 2025-2026 school year:

Professional Staff - Teachers:

- Jacquelyn Catanzarite, Elementary teacher, 37 years in education.
- Mary Huchko, Elementary teacher, 36 years in education.
- Donna Keith, Elementary teacher, 36 years in education.
- Ramona White, Reading Specialist, 33 years in education.

Professional Staff - Administration:

- Michael S. Damon, Middle School/High School Principal, 15 years with Rochester and 32 years in education.

Motion: Mrs. Dillriott Second: Mrs. Morell-Verrico Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the student interns from Geneva College and their cooperating teachers for the Spring 2026 semester:

<u>Student Teacher</u>	<u>Cooperating Teacher</u>	<u>Subject Area</u>
Anna Castro	Tara Spiker	Special Education/Learning Support

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the following individuals to be added to the list of those who may drive District owned vehicles.

Lauren Ipson
Elijah R. Goosby
Marissa Sterling

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to accept the resignation of the following employees from supplemental positions:

- a. Denise Lyons from the positions of Student Council Co-Sponsor (Grades 9-12) and Student of Services (Homecoming), effective the end of the 2025-2026 school year.
- b. Caryn Morrow from the position of Student Council Co-Sponsor (Grades 9-12), effective the end of the 2025-2026 school year.

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the intermittent Family and Medical Leave request made by Employee No. 4653, effective March 17, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the intermittent Family and Medical Leave request made by Employee No. 4496, effective May 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the request made by elementary teacher Alexandra Javens to take Monday, May 4, 2026 (½ day, P.M.), as a half-day unpaid sick day.

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the request made by Tina Buckenheimer, Security, to enroll her non-resident children grade 12, grade 7, and grade 5, for the 2026-2027 school year.

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the following General Assistant in the Nutrition Services Department to work the Summer Food Service Program at their hourly rate:

Sandy Barker
Marcie Sisco
Sandy Zivko

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the following Substitute General Assistants in the Nutrition Services Department to work the Summer Food Service Program at their hourly rate:

Angela Corson
Amani Keaton

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve David Hall to be added to the approved substitute Security Guard list.

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the following individuals to be added to the approved list of volunteers (clearances on file).

Sarah Adams - Elementary School & Middle School/High School Volunteer
Robert Burton - Varsity Assistant Football Coach Volunteer
Nicole Long - Elementary School Volunteer
Michael J. Mason - 7th & 8th Grades Girls Basketball Volunteer Coach
Anthony Micco - Elementary School Volunteer

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the request submitted by musical director Kaylan Wetzel to attend the Mancini Awards on Sunday, May 17, 2026. Ms. Wetzel, musical students and parent chaperones will attend and utilize district vans.

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve Jonathan Mason-Townsend as a summer worker through Job Training at a rate of \$10.35 per hour. This program is fully funded through Job Training Beaver County.

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the request made by Linnea Greco, Custodian, to take Friday, May 15, 2026, as an unpaid day.

Motion: Mrs. Dillriott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Curriculum & Technology

Motion to approve the Weiser Educational Supplemental Reproducible Materials be added to the approved list of textbooks and supplemental materials for the Math Department at an estimated one-time cost \$154.

Motion: Mr. Bogolea Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Motion to approve the application to apply to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for Flexible Instructional Days as presented.

Motion: Mr. Bogolea Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Policy & Procedure

Motion to approve the following revised policies:

<u>Policy No.</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Title</u>
202 <i>(revised)</i>	Pupils	Eligibility of Nonresident Students
616 <i>(revised)</i>	Finances	Payment of Bills

Motion: Mrs. Morell-Verrico Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Athletics

At the recommendation of Brian Burton, Head Football Coach, motion to approve Joe L. Slappy, III to serve as the 2nd Assistant Football Coach at a supplemental base salary of \$1,500 for the 2026-2027 school year (clearances on file).

Motion: Mr. Majors Second: Mr. Iannini Result: Motion carried (7-0)

At the recommendation of Ronald Mondrief, Girls Head Basketball Coach, motion to accept the following resignations from the supplemental positions of the Girls Basketball Coaching positions effective the end of the 2025-2026 school year:

- a. Bethany Barto - 7th & 8th Grades Girls Basketball Head Coach.
- b. Dan Sisco - 7th & 8th Grades Girls Basketball Assistant Coach.

Motion: Mr. Majors Second: Mrs. Morell-Verrico Result: Motion carried (7-0)

At the recommendation of Ronald Mondrief, Girls Head Basketball Coach, motion to approve the following individuals:

- a. Kevin Witt - 7th & 8th Grades Girls Basketball Head Coach at a supplemental base salary of \$1,000 effective the 2026-2027 school year (clearances on file), due to the resignation of Bethany Barto.
- b. Treshawnda Law - 7th & 8th Grades Girls Basketball Assistant Coach at a supplemental base salary of \$1,000 effective the 2026-2027 school year (clearances on file), due to the resignation of Dan Sisco.

Motion: Mr. Majors Second: Mrs. Dillliott Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Accept the resignation of Melissa Zawislak from the supplemental position of 2nd Assistant Track Coach, effective May 14, 2026.

Motion: Mr. Majors Second: Mrs. Morell-Verrico Result: Motion carried (7-0)

ADDENDUM

Motion to add the following two items to the agenda:

1. Motion to approve Dr. Amanda Cwynar as Middle School/High School Principal, effective July 1, 2026.
2. Motion to approve revised policy 008 - Organization Chart.

Motion: Mr. Iannini Second: Mrs. Dillliott Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Teachers & Personnel

Motion to approve Dr. Amanda Cwynar as Middle School/High School Principal, effective July 1, 2026.

Motion: Mrs. Dillliott Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

Policy & Procedure

Motion to approve revised policy 008 - Organization Chart.

Motion: Mrs. Morell-Verrico Second: Mr. Majors Result: Motion carried (7-0)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

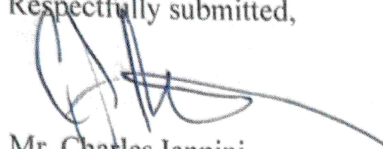
Mr. Karl "Tony" Ziegler expressed his appreciation for Principal Mr. Michael Damon and his dedication to Rochester. Mr. Ziegler also stated that he appreciates Superintendent Dr. Jane W.

Bovalino for her hard work and dedication to the District, noting that she came in, improved the District, and really works hard to support its students and staff..

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Dillliott motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m. Mr. Majors seconded the motion. The motion carried (7-0).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C. Iannini', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mr. Charles Iannini
Board Secretary