

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
Rome Board of Education
October 28, 2021**

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Members Present: Ms. Davis, Mr. Ferretti, Dr. Fontana, Mr. Hagerty, Mrs. Herbowy, Mr. Mellace, Ms. Megerell, Mr. Nash, Ms. Reddick, Miss Iacovissi

Members Absent: none

Note: Ms. Megerell arrived at 6:58 P.M.

Other School District Personnel in Attendance:

Mr. Brewer, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

Note:

Mr. Blake, Superintendent of Schools attended virtually
Mr. Mezza, Assistant Superintendent for Operations and Management attended virtually
Mr. Morton, Director of People Operations attended virtually

PRESIDENT CALLS MEETING TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

On the motion of Mr. Nash, seconded by Ms. Davis, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 14, 2021 were ordered approved as distributed.

Voice vote.

By acclamation. (One abstain-Mellace)

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

1. Pg 2-Adjusted date for Mrs. Griffith to November 18th.
2. No executive session needed.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

1. 3rd to 8th Grade Assessments released
2. Covid testing staff-update
3. Fall athletics-sectionals, winter physicals
4. Marching Band-state championship
5. PR Department-Board recognition video (video played)

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

WORK STUDY SESSION

Budget Development – Discussion held: Directors will speak with the Board for their needs; last year done well, will do the same format. 1st public presentation late February.

Attendance Update – Handout provided to the Board

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution to accept Consent Agenda:

Resolution by Mr. Nash, seconded by Mr. Mellace:

That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Consent Agenda be accepted by the Board of Education.

PEOPLE OPERATIONS

Consent Agenda Action Items

1. Resolution to approve personnel changes as listed below:

RESOLVED: That the permanent appointments, transfers, resignations, salary adjustments, leaves of absence, et al, contained below, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools be, and are, hereby approved.

The Superintendent certifies that the requirements of the New York State Education Department, the Civil Service of the City of Rome, and the Board of Education have been met in all cases.

A. Leave of absences:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Chelsea Monahan (Teacher/Strough)	unpaid LOA (childcare)	11/10/2021-11/28/2021
Felicia House (Teacher Asst./Denti)	FMLA	10/27/2021 (up to 12 weeks)
Kathryn Deming (Teacher/Strough)	FMLA	10/02/2021 (up to 12 weeks)

B. Resignation:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Shannon Griffith (PR Assistant/DW)	Resignation	11/18/2021
Katie Bliss (Teacher/Staley/Gans)	Resignation	11/19/2021
Karen Lipphardt (Teacher Asst./Strough)	Resignation	10/14/2021
Keely Foster (Teacher Asst./Strough)	Resignation	10/20/2021
Vita Hoyt (Teacher Asst./RFA)	Resignation	10/05/2021

PEOPLE OPERATIONS (Continued)

Consent Agenda Action Items

2. Appoint instructional/non-instructional substitutes:

A. Instructional/Non-Instructional

Fingerprint Clearance Date

Jill McCarthy

10/20/2021

Keely Foster

09/10/2021

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Consent Agenda Action Items

1. Resolution of initial placements, annual reviews, reevaluations, manifestation determinations, amendments, program reviews and/or transfers of students with disabilities:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the placement of children based upon the CSE/CPSE meeting recommendations be approved.

ROME CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT CSE/CPSE

October 28, 2021

PART 200 REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Part 200.2, Section (d)

...The board of education or board of trustees of each school district shall, upon completion of its review of the IEP in accordance with section 200.4(d)(2) of the Part, arrange for the appropriate special education programs and services to be provided to a student with a disability as recommended by the committee on special education.

Part 200.2, Section (d) (2)

...arrange for appropriate special education programs and services for a preschool student...

DISABILITY	CSE	CPSE
Autistic	5	
Deaf		
Deaf-Blindness		
Emotionally Disturbed		
Hearing Impaired		
Intellectual Disability		
Learning Disabled	2	
Multiply Disabled		
Orthopedically Impaired		
Other Health Impaired	6	
Speech Impaired	5	
Transfer Review		
Traumatic Brain Injury		
Visually Impaired		
Pre-School with disability		3
Non-Disabled		1
Declassified		
Section 504	2	
Tabled		

FINANCE

Consent Agenda Action Items

1. Resolution to declare equipment obsolete or for sale per District policy #4520:

RESOLVED: That the following equipment be declared obsolete/surplus and be disposed of in accordance with policy #4520:

Location	Item	Number			Quantity	Reason	
		Serial	RCSD ID	RIC		Damaged/ Disposal	Sale
Strough	Pressure Steamer	WC85245-04C-01	QL01052 4		1		✓
	Pressure less Steamer		043529 & 043530		2		✓
RFA	Carlisle Condiment Cart Cold Storage				1	✓	

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

FINANCE

Action Items

No agenda items

Committee Reports

Next Committee Meeting: Tuesday, November 9th at 10:00 A.M.

FACILITIES

Action Items

No agenda items

Committee Reports – *committee meeting will be a planning meeting-timing/vote, Staley-long term prognosis for students, Building Condition Survey 2023, FEMA submissions.*

Next Committee Meeting: Tuesday, November 16th at 4:30 P.M.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Action Items

1. Resolution to approve Mentors for 2021-2022 school year:

Resolution by Dr. Fontana, seconded by Mrs. Herbowy:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the approval of the following teachers as Mentors for the 2021-2022 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade Level/Subject</u>
Jennifer Fitzgerald	Math
Diane Sharpstene	Math
Kaila Hoskins	English
Kerri Winkler	Special Education
Anne Fanelli	Special Education
Rachael Pulizzi	Special Education
Robert Duffy	Special Education
Ranae Waterman	Special Education
Gina Colangelo	Special Education
Paulina White	ESL
Michelle Tine	Pre-K
Vanessa Curley	Grade 1
Kelley Sanzone	Grade 3
Samantha Sabia	Grade 4
Gretchen Ironside	Grade 5
Joanne Lalonde	Grade 6
Lauri Kondella	Reading
Stacey Finney	Art
Sarah Anderson	Music
Sarah Keesler	Library
Chad Reese	Physical Education
Courtney Spatto	Social Worker

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Discussion concerning the number of mentors, no more than two people to mentor, will have more at future meetings.

Committee Reports – *discussion of testing scores at next committee meeting.*

Next Committee Meeting: Monday, November 8th at 4:30 P.M.

PEOPLE OPERATIONS

Action Items

1. Resolution to appoint instructional personnel:

Resolution by Mr. Mellace, seconded by Mrs. Herbowy:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following instructional personnel:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Deanna Butera (DWF)	Social Worker	Social Worker	BS60Step7+ MS	\$56,910 (pro-rated)	11/01/2021- 10/31/2025
*Loren Dachary (RFA/Ambrose)	Special Ed.	Special Ed.	BS60Step9+ MS	\$58,910 (pro-rated)	11/01/2021- 08/31/2025
*Michael Giardino (Strough/Martinez)	Social Studies	Social Studies	BSSStep5	\$47,639 (pro-rated)	11/29/2021- 11/28/2025
*Stephanie Baran (RFA/Friedel)	Special Ed.	Special Ed.	BS60Step9+ MS	\$58,910	11/29/2021- 11/28/2024

* The expiration date of the above probationary appointment for classroom teaching position is tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of Section 2509 of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure a classroom teacher or principal must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either “effective” or “highly effective” in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the classroom teacher or principal receives an “ineffective” composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period the teacher shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.”

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

PEOPLE OPERATIONS (Continued)

Action Items

2. Resolution to appoint winter sports personnel:

Resolution by Mr. Mellace, seconded by Mrs. Herbowy:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following winter sports personnel:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Kiel Adams	Site Supervisor	\$45.00/event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Kiel Adams	Penalty Box Supervisor	\$45.00/event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Bernice Beckwith	Ticket Supervisor	\$18.00/hr.	11/15/21-03/01/22
Guy Calandra	Site Supervisor	\$45.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Sandra Campbell	Ticket Taker/Seller	\$15.00/hr.	11/15/21-03/01/22
Gerald Closinski	Site Supervisor	\$45.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Gerald Closinski	Penalty Box Supervisor	\$45.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Gail Evans	Site Supervisor	\$45.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Stan Evans	Site Supervisor	\$45.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
John Herbst	Clock Operator	\$35.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
John Hussey	Clock Operator	\$35.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Thomas Kegley	Site Supervisor	\$45.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Jon Maggiolino	Clock Operator	\$35.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Richard Meiss	Clock Operator	\$35.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Jeffrey Race	Penalty Box Supervisor	\$45.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
James Redpath	Site Supervisor	\$45.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
James Redpath	Penalty Box Supervisor	\$45.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Kevin Simons	PA Announcer	\$45.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22
Deanna Van Wie	PA Announcer	\$45.00/Event	11/15/21-03/01/22

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

PEOPLE OPERATIONS (Continued)

Action Items

3. Resolution to appoint winter coaching personnel:

Resolution by Mr. Mr. Mellace, seconded by Mrs. Herbowy:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following winter coaching personnel:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Alfred Bevilacqua	Girls Varsity Basketball	\$6,568	11/15/21-03/01/22
Michelle Browne	Boys Varsity Swim/Dive	\$6,568	11/15/21-03/01/22
Richard Campbell	Boys Modified Basketball	\$4,519	11/15/21-03/01/22
Salvatore Carollo	Boys Modified Swim/Dive	\$4,803	11/15/21-03/01/22
Brett Couchman	Girls Varsity Indoor Track	\$6,568	11/15/21-03/01/22
Jonathan Griggs	Boys JV Basketball	\$3,886	11/15/21-03/01/22
Evan Howard	Girls Modified Basketball	\$4,803	11/15/21-03/01/22
Nicholas Jeror	Boys/Girls Indoor Track Asst.	\$4,309	11/15/21-03/01/22
Pete Keoviengsamay	Girls Varsity Volleyball	\$4,416	11/15/21-03/01/22
Ty Knamm	Boys Modified Wrestling	\$4,803	11/15/21-03/01/22
Ashley Lewis	Girls JV Basketball	\$4,309	11/15/21-03/01/22
Kimberly Luczak	Varsity Cheerleading	\$4,105	11/15/21-03/01/22
Carl Manganaro	Girls JV Volleyball	\$4,875	11/15/21-03/01/22
Billie Mays	Boys Indoor Track & Field	\$6,568	11/15/21-03/01/22
Joshua Mazzaferro	Boys 8/9 Freshman Basketball	\$3,675	11/15/21-03/01/22
Nicholas Medicis	Boys Varsity Basketball	\$6,568	11/15/21-03/01/22
Anthony Morat	Boys Varsity Assistant Coach	\$3,215	11/15/21-03/01/22
David Nimmo	Boys Varsity Bowling	\$4,803	11/15/21-03/01/22
Jason Nowicki	Boys Ice Hockey	\$5,856	11/15/21-03/01/22
David Petrelli	Boys Ice Hockey Assistant	\$5,156	11/15/21-03/01/22
James Ray	Boys Varsity Swim/Dive Asst.	\$5,516	11/15/21-03/01/22
Robert Romeo	Boys Assistant Wrestling	\$4,309	11/15/21-03/01/22
Bryan Rondeau	Girls Varsity Bowling	\$4,097	11/15/21-03/01/22
Susan Sheaffer	Girls Modified Volleyball	\$3,532	11/15/21-03/01/22
Theodore Swavely	Boys/Girls Indoor Track/Field Asst.	\$4,592	11/15/21-03/01/22
Jerry Zehr	Boys Varsity Wrestling	\$6,425	11/15/21-03/01/22

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

PEOPLE OPERATIONS (Continued)

Action Items

4. Resolution to appoint instructional personnel (probationary)

Resolution by Mr. Mellace, seconded by Mrs. Herbowy:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following instructional personnel (probationary)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Shannon Cortese-Artigiani (Joy)	Teacher Assistant	\$18,604 (pro-rated/degree)	10/14/21-10/13/25

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

5. Resolution to appoint non-instructional personnel (probationary):

Resolution by Mr. Mellace, seconded by Mrs. Herbowy:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following non-instructional personnel (probationary):

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Renee Rios (ECP)	Monitor (3.75hrs./day)	\$14.06/hr.	10/26/2021- 04/25/2022
Holly Rabideau (RFA)	Monitor (3.75 hrs./day)	\$14.06/hr.	10/26/2021- 04/25/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Committee Reports – *Ongoing and continuous challenge to find instructional and non-instructional personnel, search is continuing. Italian class is being taught Spanish teacher has stepped up and it is greatly appreciated. Discussion held concerning PR position – replacement, discussion continuing.*

Next Committee Meeting: Tuesday, November 9th at 4:30 P.M.

6:58 P.M. Ms. Megerell arrived.

POLICY

Action Items

1. Resolution to accept the **first reading** of policy # 1120 – School District Records:

Resolution by Ms. Davis, seconded by Mr. Mellace:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the **first reading** of policy # 1120 – School District Records, be accepted by the Board of Education.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

2. Resolution to accept the **first reading** of policy # 1100 – Public Information Program:

Resolution by Ms. Davis, seconded by Ms. Megerell:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the **first reading** of policy # 1100 – Public Information Program, be accepted by the Board of Education.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

3. Resolution to accept the **first reading** of policy # 1130 – Media Relations:

Resolution by Ms. Davis, seconded by Mr. Mellace:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the **first reading** of policy # 1130 – Media Relations, be accepted by the Board of Education.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Committee Reports – *Through the 1000 section, Update on board docs-James Paige, training for the Board. Grading policy-meeting with Ed Policy, Ed Program, and policy. Ms. Davis will send sample policy and policy agenda items on Friday.*

Next Committee Meeting: Wednesday, November 3rd at 4:30 P.M.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Resolution to accept the Superintendent Goals for the 2021-2022 School Year:

Resolution by Dr. Fontana, seconded by Ms. Davis:

RESOLVED: The Board of Education hereby accepts the Superintendent Goals for the 2021-2022 School Year.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Thank you to the Ad Hoc Committee and to Dr. Fontana and Mr. Blake.

2. Resolution to approve annual membership to the New York State School Board Association:

Resolution by Dr. Fontana, seconded by Ms. Davis:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby approves the annual membership to the New York State School Board Association for 2022, at a cost of \$12,105.00.

Voice vote.

By acclamation. (One no-Mellace)

OLD BUSINESS

None

Motion by Ms. Davis, seconded by Mr. Nash, to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:10 P.M. for the purpose of discussing the employment of a particular individual(s).

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Motion by Mr. Nash, seconded by Ms. Davis, to adjourn Executive Session at 7:15 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr. Nash, seconded by Mrs. Herbowy, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 P.M. to the call of the President.