

The Regular Meeting of the Roxbury Central School District was held on March 9, 2022 in Room 208 and via Zoom at 7:00 PM

Present: Ed Fersch, Denise Johnston, Ed Dalski, Tracy Sanford and Kelli Winnie  
Superintendent: Jeff Bennett  
Principal: Jill Ten Eyck  
Treasurer: Wendy Sprague  
Secretary: Marianne Schor

Mr. Bennett discussed the Capital Reserve Building Project.  
The next Public Presentation will be on April 5<sup>th</sup>, with a special vote scheduled for April 7<sup>th</sup>.

**1<sup>st</sup> Public  
Cap. Reserve. Bldg.  
Project Presentation**

Mr. Bennett discussed the preliminary budget for 2022-2023.  
The next Public Presentation will be on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**1<sup>st</sup> Public  
Budget  
Presentation**

Mr. Fersch called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.

**Meeting Called to  
Order**

Additions to agenda:

- Executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation, employee history, safety concerns and contractual issues.

**Additions to the  
Agenda**

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the treasurer's report for February, 2022. Motion approved unanimously.

**Treas. Report**

There were no budget transfers for the month of February.

**Budget Transfers**

The bills and the Claims Auditor's Report for February were reviewed.

**Bills & Claims**

Tracy Sanford moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the extra-classroom activity fund report for January, 2022. Motion approved unanimously.

**Extra-Curricular  
Activity Fund**

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the minutes from the regular February 9, 2022 meeting as corrected. Motion approved unanimously.

**Minutes**

President's Report:

1. Mr. Fersch reminded the board that their retreat is scheduled for March 19<sup>th</sup>. The topics will be Developing Board and

**Board Retreat**

District Goals and District Communication.

2. The Catskill Area School Study Council will be having a virtual training on March 24<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Fersch will be attending. There is another session in April on Superintendent's Evaluations. Please let Mrs. Schor know if you chose to attend either session.
3. The BOCES Annual Meeting will be held at OAOC in Milford on April 6<sup>th</sup>. This will be in person and hors d'oeuvres will be served. Mr. Fersch will be attending. Please let Mrs. Schor know if you wish to attend.

**CASSC Workshop**

**BOCES Annual Mtg.**

Superintendent's Report:

1. Mr. Bennett stated that the ARP Federal Funds have been approved, so we will be moving forward with those projects. We are waiting for a survey from the Bassett Health Clinic people to put out to the public to see if there is enough interest for the to come here.
2. Mr. Bennett addressed the public comments from the February meeting as follows:
  - There was a question about the amount of time students were on the bus. They will be reviewing bus procedures.
  - We have reviewed our emergency procedures to ensure everyone's safety, and with the last emergency everything was well organized and better handled.
  - We have 4 special ed teachers.
  - We have been monitoring our seniors, and any one of them that is in danger of failure has been notified. Mr. Bennett also gave the study hall update.
  - We still need to test unvaccinated staff members weekly, and document any positive staff or students, whether vaccinated or not.
  - The terms snow days and emergency days are used interchangeably and are the same thing.
  - We have been advertising in a number of papers for the openings we have available.
  - The asbestos abatement that is in the proposed Capital Project will be the last of the asbestos to be removed in the building.
3. Mr. Bennett stated there was no COVID update. We are still testing unvaccinated staff every week and would still have to document any positive cases in the school.

**Building Projects**

**Public Comments  
Update**

**COVID Update**

4. There is some hold up at BT BOCES with the Board Docs agreement. They continue to look into it and keep us informed of the progress.
5. We are waiting for a survey from Bassett Clinic to send out to the community to find out if there is enough interest for them to set up a clinic here.
6. The new website is expected to launch the week of March 15<sup>th</sup>. Information regarding the website and the RCS App as soon as we have it available.

**Board Docs Update**

**Bassett Clinic Update**

**New Website Update**

Principal's Report:

1. Ms. Ten Eyck gave a presentation on February's attendance discipline. She stated that our overall attendance was at 935%, and disciplinary issues were up. She added that IPRs will be going out on Friday the 11<sup>th</sup>.
2. Ms. Ten Eyck stated that we had 12 girls varsity soccer players named as Scholar athletes, along with 1 golfer and 3 boys varsity soccer players. We also had 7 girls and 3 boys from varsity basketball teams, as well as 1 boy and 1 girl from the ski team named as Scholar athletes. Ms. Ten Eyck congratulated all the students on their hard work.
3. Jane Ware and Jo Hinkley were recognized by Section 4 for their outstanding career in athletics as coaches by being inducted into the Section 4 Hall of Fame. The induction ceremony will be held on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Ms. Ten Eyck congratulated them on this great honor.

**Attendance, Discipline  
and Grades Data**

**Scholar Athletes**

**Ware, Hinkley  
Coaching Hall of  
Fame Induction**

Board Committee Reports: None

Board Comments and Questions: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

**A. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the Annual Notice for Budget Vote and Election. Motion approved unanimously.
2. Denise Johnston moved, seconded by Kelli Winnie to approve the revised 2021-2022 school calendar. Motion approved unanimously.

**Annual Notice for  
Budget Vote &  
Election**

**Revised 21-22  
Calendar**

3. The approval of the 2022-2023 school calendar was tabled.
4. Ed Dalski moved, seconded by Kelli Winnie to approve the MOA between Roxbury Central School and the Roxbury Teachers Association regarding extra periods as corrected. Motion approved unanimously.
5. Denise Johnston moved, seconded by Kelli Winnie, to approve the MOA between Roxbury Central School and the Roxbury Teachers Association regarding yearbook advisors as corrected. Motion approved unanimously.
6. Tracy Sanford moved, seconded by Kelli Winnie to approve the letter of intent to purchase a 65 passenger bus from Leonards Bus Sales Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 pending voter approval at the May 17, 2022 Annual Meeting. Motion approved unanimously.
7. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the following resolution:

**22-23 Calendar Tabled**

**RTA MOA for extra  
Periods**

**RTA MOA Yearbook  
Advisors**

**Leonards Bus Sales  
Letter of Intent**

**Bus Reserve Proposition  
Resolution**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the  
Roxbury Central School District, as follows:

Section 1. The proposition hereinafter set forth is hereby  
authorized to be submitted for the approval of the qualified  
voters of the District on the 17th day of May, 2022 (the "Vote").

Section 2. The proposition set forth below shall be submitted  
at the Vote and the District Clerk shall include notice of the  
proposition in substantially the following form in the notice  
of the Vote:

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that at the Vote  
to be held on May 17, 2022, the following proposition will  
be submitted:

**PROPOSITION**

**2022 Bus Purchase Reserve Fund**

Resolved, the Board of Education of the Roxbury Central  
School District is hereby authorized to establish a capital  
reserve fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law  
to be designated, "2022 Bus Purchase Reserve Fund", for  
the purchase of school buses and other vehicles (for use in  
the transportation program of the School District), in an  
ultimate amount not to exceed Five-Hundred Thousand  
Dollars (\$500,000) inclusive of accrued interest and other

investment earnings, with a probable term of ten (10) years. The Board of Education is hereby authorized to pay funds from the available fund balance, state aid reimbursement to the School District on account of bus purchases and the proceeds of the sale of used buses, and/or such other monies as the voters may direct, and/or other legally available funds of the School District to such reserve fund in an amount determined by the Board of Education up to the maximum authorized amount.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion approved unanimously.

8. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston, to approve the Walton Reporter as an official newspaper outlet. Motion approved unanimously.,

**Walton Reporter  
Official Paper**

9. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the following changes to bus routes:

**Bus Route Changes**

Bus 75 (Now 72) – Cindy Whitney - Grand Gorge East, Prattsville Rd, Gilboa Rd, Main Street, Ferris Hill- additional 0.75hr per day- added Ferris Hill, Prattsville, Gilboa to route.

Bus 72 (Now 74) – Heather Krickhahn - Denver, Vega – additional 0.5hr per day- extension of route to Bed Hollow

Motion approved unanimously.

**B. PERSONNEL:**

Tracy Sanford moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the following personnel items:

**Personnel**

1. Approved Sinead Lavery, 243 State Route 296, Hensonville, NY as a full-time permanent substitute teacher retroactive to March 7, 2022 through June 24, 2022 at a prorated rate of MA Step 1, \$50,584, as per the RTA contract. Fingerprint clearance has been received.

**Lavery Perm. Sub.**

2. Approve Laura Randazzo, 2644 Route 42, Westkill, NY as a substitute teacher K-12/LTA/TA retroactive to March 4, 2022. Fingerprint Clearance has been received.

**Randazzo Sub K-12,  
LTA, TA**

3. Approve Susan Cole as a scorekeeper for the boys varsity baseball team at a rate of \$30/game.

**Cole Boys Varsity  
Baseball Scorekeeper**

4. Approve Brenda Hill as a scorekeeper for the girls varsity softball team at a rate of \$30/game.

**Hill Girls Varsity  
Softball Scorekeeper**

5. Accept the resignation of Heather Krickhahn as school tax collector.
6. Accept the resignation of Wendy Greene as the substitute caller effective June 24, 2022.
7. Approve half day leave without pay for Stacy Vasta retroactive to February 18, 2022.
8. Approve one half day and two full days of personal leave for Cheryl Hinkley on April 6<sup>th</sup> (half day), and April 7-8, 2022 as per the CSEA contract.
9. Approve Belle Bourke as a volunteer for the Girls on the Run afterschool program.
10. Approve Isabella Poniros as a volunteer for the Girls on the Run afterschool program.
11. Approve Belle Bourke as the modified boys baseball coach pending certification.

**Krickhahn Resignation  
Tax Collector**

**Greene Resignation  
Sub Caller**

**Vasta ½ Day Unpaid  
Leave**

**C. Hinkley Personal  
Leave**

**Bourke Girls on the  
Run Volunteer**

**Poniros Girls on the  
Run Volunteer**

**Bourke Boys Mod.  
Baseball Coach**

Motion approved unanimously.

**OTHER:**

1. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Ed Dalski to approve the following CSE recommendations:

#’s 4180, 4454, 4039, 4043

**CSE Recs**

Motion approved unanimously.

2. Tracy Sanford moved, seconded by Kelli Winnie to approve the donation of toy gift bags to the PK students from Laura O’Brien. Motion approved unanimously.

**O’Brien PK Donation**

**Public Comments:** The following concerns came before the board during the public comments sections:

- A member of the public stated that they were happy to see we brought on the Walton Reporter as an official paper. They wondered if we still had the Mountain Eagle and were told we did.
- There was a question about a Denver Bus route to Bed Hollow.
- There was a question about the Building Project vote and if a mailing was going out.
- There was a question about sub rates.

- A member of the public stated that there were no lights on outside of the building when they came in this evening. Alan Davis will look into it.
- There was a question about discipline and the Code of Conduct.

Tracy Sanford moved, seconded by Kelli Winnie to go into executive at 8:17 to discuss a legal issue and the Superintendent's evaluation, employee history, safety concerns and a contractual issue. Motion approved unanimously.

**Into Exec. Session**

Kelli Sanford moved, seconded by Tracy Sanford to come out of executive session at 9:47. Motion approved unanimously.

**Out of Exec. Session**

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Tracy Sanford to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

**Adjourn**

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Jeffrey J. Bennett, Superintendent

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Ed Fersch, BOE President

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Marianne Schor, Board Clerk