

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Rome Board of Education**  
**April 19, 2022**

*Zoom Meeting Link will be available for viewing purposes only at:*

<https://moric-org.zoom.us/j/95244462120>

Members Present: Ms. Davis, Mr. Hagerty, Mrs. Herbowy , Mrs. Lubecki, Ms. Megerell, Mr. Mellace  
Mr. Nash, Ms. Reddick

Members Absent: Dr. Fontana, Miss Iacovissi

Note:

Other School District Personnel in Attendance:

Mr. Blake, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. Mezza, Assistant Superintendent for Operations and Management

Staff Excused: Mr. Brewer, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction  
Mr. Morton, Director of People Operations

Note:

## **PRESIDENT CALLS MEETING TO ORDER**

Pledge of Allegiance

## **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

None

## **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

1. Ad Hoc Committee Meeting via zoom
2. Earth Day April 22<sup>nd</sup>-Great American Cleanup
3. Congrats to the Music Department
4. Della Pray-Yellow Rose Award
5. AFRL Challenge –Kenneth Davis/Colgan Seeley-2<sup>nd</sup> place

## **STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT**

None

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Dr. Hampe-The Board
2. Mrs. Jacqueline Nelson-NAACP
3. Mr. Dennis Perfetti-Lawsuit questions

## **WORK STUDY SESSION**

2022-2023 Budget Presentation – Mr. Blake

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Resolution to accept Consent Agenda:

Resolution by Mr. Nash, seconded by Mrs. Lubecki:

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>
Christine Sullivan (Sr. Account Clerk/BO)	unpaid LOA (other position in district)	04/10/22-04/09/23
Michael Lugo (Custodial Worker/DWF)	unpaid loa (other position in district)	04/19/22-10/18/22
Stacie Ferguson (TA/Strough)	FMLA (intermittent)	03/21/22 (up to 12 weeks)

B. Appoint instructional/non-instructional substitutes:

<u>Instructional/Non-Instructional</u>	<u>Fingerprint Clearance Date</u>
Conchetta Trips	04/13/2022
Renecia Wright	04/13/2022

## **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**

**April 19, 2022**

#### **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...

<b>DISABILITY</b>	<b>CSE</b>	<b>CPSE</b>
<b>Autistic</b>	11	
<b>Deaf</b>		
<b>Deaf-Blindness</b>		
<b>Emotionally Disturbed</b>	1	
<b>Hearing Impaired</b>		
<b>Intellectual Disability</b>		
<b>Learning Disabled</b>	6	
<b>Multiply Disabled</b>	13	
<b>Orthopedically Impaired</b>		
<b>Other Health Impaired</b>	16	
<b>Speech Impaired</b>	7	
<b>Transfer Review</b>		
<b>Traumatic Brain Injury</b>		
<b>Visually Impaired</b>		
<b>Pre-School with disability</b>		8
<b>Non-Disabled</b>	1	2
<b>Declassified</b>		
<b>Section 504</b>	1	
<b>Tabled</b>		

**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
RFA	Soundfield System				2		✓

2. Resolution to transfer funds within the General Fund:

RESOLVED: That the following transfers for 2021-22 be made within the funds of the Board of Education:

From:		To:		Amount
Budget Code #/Code Line Discussion		Budget Code #/Code Line Discussion		
A2110-490-00-0000	BOCES SERVICES	A2630-400-00-0000	CONTRACTUAL	\$ 46,024.92
A1620-450-00-CVID	SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	A1621-400-00-0000	CONTRACTUAL-MAINTENTANCE	\$ 100,000.00
A1620-450-00-CVID	SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	A1621-450-00-0000	MAINT SUPPLIES & MATERIALS	\$ 80,500.00

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

## REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

### FINANCE

#### Action Items

1. Resolution to approve payroll calendar for the 2022-23 school year:

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

RESOLVED: That upon the board of education approved the payroll calendar for the 2022-23 school year.

#### **PAYDAY SCHEDULE 2022 - 2023**

##### **Pay Dates**

July 6, 2022  
July 20, 2022  
August 3, 2022  
August 17, 2022  
August 31, 2022  
September 14, 2022  
September 28, 2022  
October 12, 2022  
October 26, 2022  
November 9, 2022  
November 23, 2022  
December 7, 2022  
December 21, 2022  
\*\*January 4, 2023  
\*\*\*January 18, 2023  
February 1, 2023  
February 15, 2023  
March 1, 2023  
March 15, 2023  
March 29, 2023  
April 12, 2023  
April 26, 2023  
May 10, 2023  
May 24, 2023  
June 7, 2023  
June 21, 2023  
July 5, 2023  
July 19, 2023  
August 2, 2023

##### **\*Extra Duty / Hourly**

June 6, 2022 – June 19, 2022  
June 20, 2022 – July 3, 2022  
July 4, 2022 – July 17, 2022  
July 18, 2022 – July 31, 2022  
August 1, 2022 – August 14, 2022  
August 15, 2022 – August 28, 2022  
August 29, 2022 – September 11, 2022  
September 12, 2022 – September 25, 2022  
September 26, 2022 – October 9, 2022  
October 10, 2022 – October 23, 2022  
October 24, 2022 – November 6, 2022  
November 7, 2022 – November 20, 2022  
November 21, 2022 – December 4, 2022  
December 5, 2022 – December 18, 2022  
December 19, 2022 – January 1, 2023  
January 2, 2023 – January 16, 2023  
January 17, 2023 – January 29, 2023  
January 30, 2023 – February 12, 2023  
February 13, 2023 – February 26, 2023  
February 27, 2023 – March 12, 2023  
March 13, 2023 – March 26, 2023  
March 27, 2023 – April 9, 2023  
April 10, 2023 – April 23, 2023  
April 24, 2023 – May 7, 2023  
May 8, 2023 – May 21, 2023  
May 22, 2023 – June 4, 2023  
June 5, 2023 – June 18, 2023  
June 19, 2023 – July 2, 2023  
July 3, 2023 – July 16, 2023

**\*Extra Duty/Hourly pay will not be disbursed without a properly completed extra duty form or timesheet.**

**\*\*No extra duty paid on the January 4, 2023 payroll due to the Holiday. Salary, hourly and substitutes only.**

**\*\*\*Extra duty will cover from 12/5/2022 to 1/01/2023 on the January 18, 2023 payroll.**

**\*\*\*\*All checks are mailed to the employee's home address on file with the Rome City School District.**

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

**FINANCE** (Continued)

**Action Items**

2. Resolution to approve cooperative bidding:

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

WHEREAS, it is the plan of a number of PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS and the MADISON ONEIDA BOCES (the “BOCES”) during the 2022-2023 school year to bid jointly for the purchase of various types of computers and technology commodities (the “Commodities”); and

WHEREAS, the Rome City School District (“the School District”) is desirous of participating in the joint bidding of the Commodities, as authorized by General Municipal Law, Article 5-G; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Education has received and reviewed the Cooperative Bid Procedures (“the Procedures”) governing its right and responsibilities should it elect to participate in the joint bidding of commodities; and BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Cooperative Bid Procedures the Board of Education agrees to award bid purchase item purchases according to the recommendation of the BOCES if such award is in the best interest of the school district.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

3. Resolution to appointment of Election Inspectors:

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

RESOLVED: That the following individuals are appointed as election inspectors for the ten school election districts, which shall align with the City of Rome election wards, be appointed for the Rome City School District Board of Education election/budget/capital reserve vote to be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, or on any legally authorized date thereafter, and that they be paid for this service, with the Superintendent of Schools or his designee being authorized to fill any vacancies and make location assignments:

Jean Barnes-Truax	Ann Kehoe	Randy Iannotti
Vera Beggs	Anthony Seoane	Lenni Beer
Karen Town	Cathy Kirk	Diane Ceklovsky
Suzanne Carvelli	Elizabeth McMahan	Barbara Brady
Val Mendoza	Michael Potter-Urbanik	Josephine Robley
Mae Smith	Irene Panara	Joseph Brockway
Cheryl Kegley	Josephine Iannotti	Pat Cole
Diane Reynolds	Kathryn Woods	Laura Davis
Darlene Hertel	James Hertel	Donna Csete
Sam Myers	Joan Fiaschetti	Derek Pomento

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

**FINANCE** (Continued)

**Action Items**

4. Resolution to approve Madison-Oneida BOCES Administrative Budget:

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

RESOLVED: The Rome City School District (approves) the 2022-2023 tentative administrative budget of the Madison-Oneida Board of Cooperative Educational Services in the amount of \$6,232,373 (funded by \$1,190,410 in expense by components plus \$5,041,963 in earned interest and other miscellaneous revenue) and shall so allocate as a contingent expense its share of said administrative budget as apportioned in accordance with Section 1950 of the New York State Education Law.

(The 2021-22 administrative budget expense for all components was \$1,156,861. The 2022-2023 administrative budget net expense for all components is estimated at \$1,190,410 for a change of 2.90%)

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

5. Resolution to adopt the 2022-23 budget:

Resolution by Mr. Nash, seconded by Ms. Reddick:

RESOLVED: That the 2022-23 proposed budget in the amount of \$130,285,026.00 be adopted as the 2022-23 budget.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

6. Resolution to adopt the property tax report card for the 2022-23 school year:

Resolution by Mr. Nash, seconded by Ms. Reddick:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education adopts the property tax report card for the 2022-2023 School year.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

**Committee Reports**

**Next Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 10:00 A.M.



## **FACILITIES**

### **Action Items**

No agenda items

### **Committee Reports**

**Next Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 4:30 P.M.

## **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS**

### **Action Items**

No agenda items

### **Committee Reports**

**Next Committee Meeting:** Monday, May 9, 2022 at 4:30 P.M.

## **PEOPLE OPERATIONS**

### **Action Items**

1. Resolution to approve transfer:

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following staff transfer:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Jennifer Ceraulo (RN/DWF)	Staley (homebase)	Bellamy (homebase)	01/20/2022
Faith Whitmore (Teacher Asst.)	Strough	Bellamy	04/19/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

**PEOPLE OPERATIONS** (Continued)

**Action Items**

2. Resolution to appoint instructional staff (probationary)

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following instructional probationary staff:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Elizabeth Horner (ECP)	Teacher Assistant	\$17,604 (pro-rated)	04/19/22-04/19/26

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

3. Resolution to appoint non-instructional (provisional)

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following provisional non-instructional staff.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Andrew Castle	Building Maintenance (2 <sup>nd</sup> shift/Tues-Sat.)	\$58,626.77 (pro-rated/differential)	04/25/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

4. Resolution to appoint non-instructional probationary:

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

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Gabrielle Dunn (ECP)	1:1 Teacher Aide	\$15,695 (pro-rated)	04/19/2022-11/18/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

**PEOPLE OPERATIONS** (Continued)

**Committee Reports**

**Next Committee Meeting:** May 2, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

**POLICY**

**Action Items**

1. Resolution to accept the **second reading and adoption** of policy # 1145 – Distribution of Information through the Schools:

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the **second reading and adoption** of policy # 1145 – Distribution of Information through the Schools, be accepted by the Board of Education.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

2. Resolution to accept the **second reading and adoption** of policy # 1222 – Booster Organizations:

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the **second reading and adoption** of policy # 1222 – Booster Organizations, be accepted by the Board of Education.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

**Committee Reports**

**Next Committee Meeting:** April 25, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Resolution to elect member to the BOCES Board:

Resolution by Mr. Nash, seconded by Mrs. Lubecki:

RESOLVED: The Rome City School District Board of Education authorizes the Clerk to submit and certify its ballot in the name of **Ms. Sally Sherwood** of the **Camden** Central School District to serve as a member of the Madison-Oneida Board of Cooperative Educational Services of the Sole Supervisory District of Madison & Oneida Counties for the term of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025 **for the seat currently being held by Ms. Sally Sherwood of Camden, New York.** The ballot will be submitted to the clerk of the Madison-Oneida BOCES on April 20, 2022.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

2. Resolution to elect member to the BOCES Board:

Resolution by Mr. Nash, seconded by Ms. Megerell:

RESOLVED: The Rome City School District Board of Education authorizes the Clerk to submit and certify its ballot in the name of **Ms. Michelle Jacobsen** of the **Hamilton** Central School District to serve as a member of the Madison-Oneida Board of Cooperative Educational Services of the Sole Supervisory District of Madison & Oneida Counties for the term of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024 **for the seat currently being held by Ms. Michelle Jacobsen, of Hamilton, New York.** The ballot will be submitted to the clerk of the Madison-Oneida BOCES on April 20, 2022.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

3. Resolution to elect member to the BOCES Board:

Resolution by Mr. Nash, seconded by Mrs. Lubecki:

RESOLVED: The Rome City School District Board of Education authorizes the Clerk to submit and certify its ballot in the name of **Dr. John Costello, Sr.** of the **Oneida** City School District to serve as a member of the Madison-Oneida Board of Cooperative Educational Services of the Sole Supervisory District of Madison & Oneida Counties for the term of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025 **for the seat currently being held by Dr. John Costello, of Oneida, New York.** The ballot will be submitted to the clerk of the Madison-Oneida BOCES on April 20, 2022.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

## **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (continued)**

### 4. Resolution to elect member to the BOCES Board:

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

RESOLVED: The Rome City School District Board of Education authorizes the Clerk to submit and certify its ballot in the name of **Ms. Suzanne Carvelli**, of the **Rome** City School District to serve as a member of the Madison-Oneida Board of Cooperative Educational Services of the Sole Supervisory District of Madison & Oneida Counties for the term of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025 **for the seat currently being held by Ms. Suzanne Carvelli, of Rome, New York**. The ballot will be submitted to the clerk of the Madison-Oneida BOCES on April 20, 2022.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

Motion by Mr. Nash, seconded by Mrs. Herbowy, to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:16 P.M. for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations with RTA, CSEA, and non-bargaining employees and legal matters.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Motion by Mr. Nash, seconded by Ms. Davis, to adjourn Executive Session at 7:49 P.M.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Ms. Davis, seconded by Mrs. Lubecki, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 P.M. to the call of the President.