

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
Rome Board of Education
April 7, 2022**

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Members Present: Ms. Davis, Dr. Fontana, Mr. Hagerty, Mrs. Lubecki, Ms. Megerell, Mr. Nash,
Ms. Reddick, Ms. Iacovissi

Members Absent: Mrs. Herbowy, Mr. Mellace

Note:

Other School District Personnel in Attendance:

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

Staff Excused: Mr. Morton, Director of People Operations

Note:

Motion by Mr. Nash, seconded by Mr. Hagerty, to adjourn to executive session at 5:07 P.M. for the purpose of meeting with legal counsel.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Motion by Mr. Nash, seconded by Ms. Megerell, at 6:15 P.M. to adjourn executive session.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

6:23 P.M. Regular meeting called to order.

PRESIDENT CALLS MEETING TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

On the motion of Mr. Nash, seconded by Mr. Hagerty, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 24, 2022 were ordered approved as distributed.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

None

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

1. Half day for students
2. Spring Break
3. Board Of Education meeting-Tuesday, the 19th, BOCES vote.
4. Ad Hoc-zoom meeting April 20th
5. RFA Muscial-NEWSIES-4/28-4/30
6. Strough with Denti Musical-Matilda-5/19-5/21
7. Congratulations-Women of Distinction

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT

1. Staff member of the week
2. NEWSIES tickets sale/at the door
3. Art Show
4. Art work for nursing home residents
5. Junior Prom-5/14
6. Senior Ball-6/4
7. Knightly News

Mr. Nash made a statement regarding an incident involving a Board of Education member.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Mark Ambrose-BOE Actions
2. Dennis Perfetti-Joke called the BOE
3. Felicia James-Williams-School Board
4. Sam Pendergsast-DEI

WORK STUDY SESSION

2022-2023 Budget Presentation – Mr. Blake

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution to accept Consent Agenda:

Resolution by Mr. Nash, seconded by Dr. Fontana:

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>
Emily Till (Sr. Account Clerk/BO)	unpaid LOA (other position in District)	03/20/2022-03/28/2023
Denise Parry (Teacher Assistant/Ridge)	FMLA	03/22/2022 (up to 12 weeks)
Tammy Fanning (Teacher/RFA)	FMLA	04/21/2022 (up to 12 weeks)
Elinor Cook (FSW/Bellamy)	FMLA	04/07/2022 (up to 12 weeks)
Theresa Orlando (Teacher Assistant/Stokes)	FMLA	04/19/2022 (up to 12 weeks)

PEOPLE OPERATIONS (Continued)

Consent Agenda Action Items

B. Resignations:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Denise Vanderhoof (Teacher Asst./Stokes)	Termination	04/03/2022
Ethan Williams (Teacher Asst./ECP)	Resignation	04/18/2022
Wendy Petrie (Custodial Worker/DWF)	Termination (Civil Service)	04/05/2022

2. Appoint instructional/non-instructional substitutes:

A. <u>Instructional/Non-Instructional</u>	<u>Fingerprint Clearance Date</u>
Denise Vanderhoof	03/15/2021
Renecia Wright	04/05/2022

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 7, 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...

DISABILITY	CSE	CPSE
Autistic	9	
Deaf		
Deaf-Blindness		
Emotionally Disturbed		
Hearing Impaired		
Intellectual Disability	7	
Learning Disabled	54	
Multiply Disabled	2	
Orthopedically Impaired		
Other Health Impaired	34	
Speech Impaired	25	
Transfer Review		
Traumatic Brain Injury		
Visually Impaired	1	
Pre-School with disability		7
Non-Disabled	1	
Declassified	3	
Section 504	5	
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
Clough/ECP	Stabilizer				1	✓	
	Stabilizer		QC030730		1	✓	
Supported Learning	Test Kit AAPS-3				1	✓	
	Test Kit NEO-2				1	✓	
	Test Kit ABS-S:2				1	✓	
	Test Kit Key Math 3				1	✓	
	Test Kit WJ-III				1	✓	
	TPRI 1 st Grade				1	✓	
	TPRI-Fluency Kit				1	✓	
	YCAT				1	✓	
	CMAT				1	✓	
	TOWL-4				1	✓	
GORT-4				1	✓		

Voice vote.

By Acclamation.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

FINANCE

Action Items

No agenda items

Committee Reports

Next Committee Meeting: Tuesday, May 3rd at 10:00 A.M. (Audit & Finance)

FACILITIES

Action Items

No agenda items

Committee Reports – *FEMA: fast tracked to get to the end product.*

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

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Action Items

1. Resolution to approve RFA Spanish Club field trip:

Resolution by Dr. Fontana, seconded by Mr. Hagerty:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the RFA Spanish Club field trip to Miami, Florida to depart on May 13, 2022 and return on May 16, 2022, under the coordination of Michelle Neverusky.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

2. Resolution to approve RFA French Club field trip:

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the RFA French Club trip to Newport, Rhode Island departing on May 30, 2022 and returning on May 31, 2022, under the coordination of Michelle Neverusky.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS (Continued)

Committee Reports – Good news of the week-*Ms. Dana Benzo was asked to be a presenter at Vernon Downs.*

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

PEOPLE OPERATIONS

Action Items

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

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

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>
Joseph Meola (Facilities)	Grounds Maintenance Worker (Tues-Fri 1 st shift)	\$49,634 (pro-rated/weekend)	04/11/2022-10/10/2022
Hillary Young (Joy)	Food Service Helper	\$14.06/hr. (6 hrs./day)	04/04/2022-11/03/2022
Elizabeth Petrillo (Strough)	Teacher Aide 1:1	\$15,695 (pro-rated)	04/19/2022-10/18/2022
Michael Lugo (Food Service)	Motor Vehicle Operator	\$47,053 (pro-rated)	04/20/2022-10/19/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

- 2. Resolution to approve adjustment shift:

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following adjustment shift:

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Matthew Salisbury (Grounds Maintenance Worker)	1 st Shift Tues-Sat	1st Shift Mon-Fri	04/11/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation

PEOPLE OPERATIONS (Continued)

Action Items

3. Resolution to adjust start date:

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby adjusts the following start date:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Kelli Rutledge (Supported Learning)	Office Specialist (12 mo./8 hrs./day)	04/01/2022	04/18/2022
Renee O'Connell (Business Office)	Sr. Account Clerk	04/18/2022	04/20/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

4. Resolution to appoint spring sports personnel:

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

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
John Hussey	Clock Operator	\$25/Event	04/01/2022-06/30/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

PEOPLE OPERATIONS (Continued)

Action Items

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

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

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Christine Sullivan (Business Office)	Principal Account Clerk	\$44,470 (pro-rated/degree)	04/11/2022
Brittany Fiorenza- House (Joy)	Sr. Office Specialist	\$33,158.62 (pro-rated)	04/18/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

6. Resolution to appoint Rome City School District Deputy Treasurer:

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

RESOLVED: That Renee O’Connell be appointed as Rome City School District Deputy Treasurer, effective April 20, 2022.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

This is part of her job description, no need to unappoint current person)

7. Resolution to approve transfer:

Resolution by Mr. Nash, 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>
Julie Carpenter (Teacher)	K (Staley/Stokes)	5 th Grade (Stokes)	04/19/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation. (One abstain-Nash)

PEOPLE OPERATIONS (Continued)

Action Items

8. Resolution to appoint instructional personnel (probationary):

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

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>
Deborah Lenaghan (Ridge Mills)	Teacher Assistant	\$18,604 (pro-rated/degree)	04/04/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

9. Resolution to appoint musical staff:

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following musical staff:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Nicholas Johnson	RFA	Co-Stage Manager	\$500	04/05/2022

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Committee Reports – Interviews for Principal ECP (7 candidates, Ms. Megerell, Dr. Fontana-interview process) Clerk (6 applicants, Mr. Mellace, Dr. Fontana, and Ms. Davis-interview process)

Next Committee Meeting: Monday, May 2nd at 4:30 P.M.

POLICY

Action Items

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

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the **first reading** 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 **first reading** of policy # 1220 – Relations with Community Organizations:

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the **first reading** of policy # 1220 – Relations with Community Organizations, be accepted by the Board of Education.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

3. Resolution to accept the **first reading** of policy # 1222 – Booster Organizations:

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

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

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Committee Reports – List to complete 0000's and 1000's, 1230 will be committee of the whole to review-Mr. Nash or Ms. Davis will send and set up a date. Mr. Blake will contact Courtney to check on the progress of the 2000's. Next meeting will be 4/25 at 4:30.

Next Committee Meeting: TBD

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Resolution to combine Boys Varsity Lacrosse:

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

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Rome City School District and the Sauquoit Valley School District combine their Boys Varsity Lacrosse for The 2021-2022 school year be approved by the Board of Education.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

OLD BUSINESS

None

Motion by Mr. Nash, seconded by Mr. Hagerty, to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:12 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. Hagerty, seconded by Ms. Davis, to adjourn Executive Session at 8:24 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Ms. Davis, seconded by Mr. Hagerty, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M. to the call of the President.