

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
ROSELAND, NEW JERSEY**

**MINUTES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
February 16, 2022- 7:30 PM**

DATE

February 16, 2022

PRESENT BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Dudas
Mr. Gesario
Dr. Leddy
Mrs. Savarese
Mrs. Scaraggi

MEETING

Regular Business Meeting

ABSENT

TIME

7:30 PM

ADJOURNED

8:35 PM

OTHERS PRESENT

Dr. Brockel
Mr. Gibbs
Faculty Members
Community Members

PLACE

Lester C. Noecker School

I. CALL TO ORDER – Board President

II. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE - Open Public Meeting Act

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, notice of this regular meeting has been properly advertised in the newspapers of record, the agenda has been posted at the appropriate locations, directions for public comment have been posted on the district website, and a copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk of Roseland.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Present Mr. Gesario Present Dr. Leddy Present
Mrs. Savarese Present Mrs. Scaraggi Present

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III. FLAG SALUTE

IV. BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT

Mrs. Savarese welcomed everyone to the Board meeting and looked forward to hearing reports from the Committees regarding the meetings that have been held during the past month. She further reported that during the past month Essex County has been at the red level and that as of today the COVID Report stated that the county is now in the yellow level, which will help to reduce restrictions that have been in place for more than a year.

She also wished all of the new mothers a Noecker all the best and that she looked forward to tonight's presentation.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Finance/Facilities

Mrs Scaraggi reported that there is an approval on the Board Agenda for New Jersey School Boards Association to conduct a search for a new permanent Superintendent. The cost will be between \$4,000 and \$7,000.00, depending on the amount of time needed to complete the search. The other quotes were from McPherson & Jacobson, LLC at \$9,900.00 to \$13,100.00 depending on the level of service and Ray and Associates at \$14,000.00.

On December 22, 2021, the Food Service Advisory Committee met which consisted of three Maschio employees, Ms. Noronha the school's nurse, three school administrators, Mrs. Scaraggi, three Noecker Cares students, and five parents. The meeting was very productive as Maschio's gave a presentation on the nutritional factors of the food provided and the students and parents were able to discuss their likes and dislikes of their Food.

The school received an addition to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Emergency Relief Grant in the amount of \$1,549.00. The funds are to be used for the purchase of four additional Chromebook computers for the 2021-2022 school year.

It has been requested to use the school facilities for the 2022 SCRAM program. Dr. Brockel and Mr. Gibbs will be meeting with Mayor Spango to discuss the program further.

Willow Lake Day Camp is looking to use the school's parking lot again this summer to park approximately 2 staff cars during the day and also have our parents and campers meet to load and unload the buses each morning and afternoon. No vehicles would remain overnight.

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- SEPAC

Mr. Dudas gave a report on the update to the Roseland SEPAC. He discussed meetings that were held and also discussed how you can get access to their website. There is a Q & A section where parents can voice their concerns. He further reported as to where parents can get training on a student's IEP and parental rights. He further reported on what parents can learn with respect to students transition to West Essex High School. Training is available to all parents for certification to become volunteers. He looks forward to working with SEPAC.

- HSA

Mr. Gesario reported that on Thursday, April 28th, 2022 there will be a tricky tray fundraiser.

Dr. Leddy stated that the teachers grant was submitted and approved.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Dr. Brockel stated that during his first two weeks here in Roseland, I have rapidly become familiar with students, staff and standard operating procedures. In his opinion we have a wonderful school district. He is happy to be here as your superintendent during this transition period.

First and foremost, in response to Governor Murphy's lifting of the school indoor mask mandate, effective March 7th masking will be optional for anyone entering our school. This is a welcome step towards normalcy! The Governor also stated that mitigation efforts such as quarantine, distancing, and the use of barriers would also be reviewed by March 7th. Hopefully we will receive guidance on those issues.

The Executive County Superintendent, Joe Zarra, in an email to Essex County Superintendents state that we are still required to have students masked on buses, since transportation falls under federal requirements. We are checking with our attorney since the requirement focuses on public transportation. Are school buses public? That is the question. More on this after I have answers.

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There are other changes that will occur now that North Jersey is in yellow, or moderate transmission. We will return to in-person meetings, but still have Zoom available for certain conveniences. H.S.A. activities can resume once again. Parents will be no longer be blocked from entering, as long as they register at the front foyer and report to the main office. At no time should any visitors interfere with classroom instruction or try to see a teacher without an appointment. We shall see how this all evolves after a lapse of two years.

One final bit of great news is that beginning Tuesday, March 1st our upper elementary students will switch classes rather than stay in one room all day. That will give our kids 3 ½ months to get used to doing so, especially our sixth graders. Preparations are underway among staff and schedules in order to implement this.

This is all great news and we certainly hope that it is the beginning to the end of having to live under requirements and restrictions!

Anything that I've not addressed means I don't have guidance or answers. As quickly as they may come, I will let our community know. Thank you for your cooperation and support as we continue on this journey together for Roseland's children.

- Principal Updates

Mr. Sandoval began by thanking the HSA for the Teacher Grant Program. For those that are unfamiliar with the program, the HSA provides teachers with the opportunity to make a wish list of items they would like for their classroom. This allows them to use their creativity to enhance the learning experience for all of our students. On behalf of our teachers, thank you HSA for all of your efforts in supporting our school community.

This week we have a lot going on at Noecker. We kicked off the week with Valentine's Day celebrations and School Spirit Week followed by the 100th day of School celebration. For the 100th day, students showed up to school dressed up in wigs, pearls, and even canes.

Noecker Cares, also known as our student council, is continuing with their initiatives this year. In December they had a successful fundraiser spearheaded by one of our caring officers. This month we have another fundraiser, in conjunction with our school spirit week, that focuses on Endangered Animals. We included more information in our February 9th Weekly Notification. If you have not done so already, I ask that you take a look to help support our Noecker Cares's passion projects.

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He further stated that in March, we will be running a month-long event to help grow awareness and acceptance for Down Syndrome. World Down Syndrome Day is March 21st; we will be holding a spirit day where students wear fun socks. In addition, all month long, and in conjunction with Noecker Cares, we will be running a sock donation. Thank you to our Special Services Department for organizing this worthwhile event.

Also in March we will have our yearly celebration of Read Across America (March 1st through March 4th). The Read Across America Committee has been working hard brainstorming fun activities for that week and we look forward to sharing them with you next month.

- Teacher Updates

Ms. Cummings and Ms. Safir gave a presentation on Noeckers Inclusivity Program which promotes growth and understanding. The program can be viewed on the school's website.

VII. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY REPORT

- Business Office Updates

Mr. Gibbs stated that on this evening's agenda you will see an approval for the waiver of requirements for SEMI (Special Education Medicaid Initiative) as there are less than 40 students that would qualify.

The Food Service Administrative Review/Audit was completed on Wednesday January 19th with an exit conference with Ms. Katie Hunter, the State Food Service Examiner, Ms. Horst, Mrs. Carnevale, both from Maschio's, Mr. Gibbs and Mrs. Barcia. Ms. Hunter praised the district for doing a good job as there are no audit findings or corrections needed.

The Maschio Food Service five year contract will end as of June 30, 2022. As required by the State, an RFP (Request for Proposal) must be sent out for a new five year contract. A draft of the RFP has been sent to the school's attorney and once approved, it will be sent to the State for their approval prior to being sent out for proposals.

On January 25, 2022 Mr. Gibbs met with the County Business Administrator, the Superintendents and Business Administrators from North Caldwell, Fairfield, West Essex Regional, and Essex Fells school districts to review the Mid-Year Budget for the annual Mid-Year Budget Review. The review was a success as the district is on track.

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There is a resolution on the Board Agenda to revise the annual lease agreement with Pitney Bowes that was previously approved on June 23, 2020 at a cost of \$106.23 per month. The new five year lease agreement is in the amount of \$68.99 per month which will save the district \$37.24 per month or \$2,234.40 over the term of the lease and provide new equipment.

There is a Board resolution to decline the American Rescue Plan – Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) II Program funding in the amount of \$795.00.

The requirements for ARP-HCY funding is based on the following:

- *If the district's allocation is less than \$5,000.00, the Board of Education must select one of the following:*
 - o *join a regional consortium to utilize the funding*
 - o *choose to decline the funding*

Since the Roseland school district does not have any homeless children the only option is to decline the funding.

The annual maintenance agreement for the System Network Controllers for the heating and air conditioning system's two year contract is up for renewal through AME, Inc. 1275, Bloomfield Ave, Fairfield, N.J. through the ECNJ Co-op. The amount of \$4,928.00 will cover the school from March 1st 2022 to June 30, 2022 and for the 2022-2023 school year the amount is \$6,159.82 for a total amount of \$11,087.82.

Repairs were needed to the heating and air conditioning system in accordance with the school's M-1 Maintenance Plan. The work was performed by AME, Inc. in the amount of \$19,075.00.

The updated Long Range Facilities Plan is on the Board Agenda for approval. The updated plan consists of replacing walkway pavers, replacing five electrical breaker panels, and completing phase one of resurfacing the oldest part of the roof. The total amount of Capital Improvements for the 2022-2023 school year is \$440,000.00. The funds will come from the Capital Reserve Account which currently has over \$1.6m.

There is a Board resolution that will be retroactively approving an out of district placement for one of our students. The cost of the placement is \$45,490.80 for the remainder 2021-2022 school. The funds will be derived from Federal, IDEA, and Local sources.

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Finally, he reminded the Board and Administration to complete their Personal/Relative Financial Disclosure Statements if you haven't already done so. For new Board members they are due by March 1st, 2022 and for returning Board members they are due by April 30th, 2022.

- Budget Updates

Mr. Gibbs stated that the 2022-2023 Budget is on track with the Budget Calendar as the department heads have submitted their budgets and Ms. Somers and he reviewed them on Wednesday, January 26th.

The Governor's State to State Budget Address scheduled for February 22nd has been postponed to March 8th of which the school's State Aid numbers should follow within a few days after the Address. He will be updating and reviewing the budget with Dr. Brockel during the month of February and the Budget Committee will be meeting in early March.

The March Board Meeting is scheduled for March 14th which will be a preliminary approval of the 2022-2023 Budget to be submitted to the County Office on or before March 21st, 2022. If approved by the County Office, the 2022-2023 Budget will be adopted at the April 27th, 2022 Board Meeting.

Mrs. Savarese questioned whether the Long Range Facilities Plan had to be approved tonight due to trying to accommodate the SCRAM Program. Mr. Gibbs stated that the Board does have to approve the Long Range Facilities Plan in order to put the plan into effect for the 2022-2023 school year. He further stated that with respect to when the work has to be done it doesn't necessarily have to be done over the summer but the summer time is the most ideal.

Mrs. Savarese explained to the community that historically, the school could not host the SCRAM Program due to the work being done on the school and students can not be in the building or grounds during the construction.

Mrs. Scaraggi stated that during the month of July the Extended School year students will be at the school in the morning so construction can't be done at that time.

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VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT – On agenda items only

Members of the public may speak for a maximum of three (3) minutes by the clock during this portion of the meeting. The public may speak **on agenda items only** during this three (3) minute period. All comments should be directed to the Board President and depending upon the nature and complexity of the question, it may or may not be answered during the meeting by the Administration. If so, the response would occur after this public portion of the meeting has concluded. Everyone has the freedom to speak, but please be advised that anything said in public may have legal ramifications and there is no protection regarding statements made by the public.

Farrah Rella - 11 Williamsburg Drive - Questioned whether teachers and community members will be involved in the decision process. She further questioned whether the SCRAM Program will interfere with the Extended School Year Program.

Dr. Brockel stated that typically the community or staff would not be involved until a candidate has been chosen by the Board. The Board has a responsibility to be transparent with the community as to their choice.

In answer to her second question, Dr. Brockel stated that he and Mr. Gibbs will be meeting with the Mayor to see what they can do.

IX. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

ORG-006-22 Re-Approval of Committee Appointments

ORG-007-22 Re-Approval of Dates and Times for Regular Monthly Meeting

MOTION by Mr. Gesario, SECOND by Mrs. Scaraggi

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye Mrs. Savarese Aye
Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

ORG-006-22 Re-Approval of Committee Appointments

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, reapproves the adoption and formation of the Board of Education committees from January 6, 2022 to January 5, 2023.

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ORG-007-20 Re-Approval of Dates and Times for Regular Monthly Meeting

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, reapproves the following Resolution be adopted and in effect from January 6, 2022 to January 5, 2023.

RESOLVED, that the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Roseland Board of Education be held on a Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM at Lester C. Noecker School, 100 Passaic Avenue in Roseland, New Jersey, with the exceptions noted below (*).

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the following Resolution be adopted and in effect from January 6, 2022 to January 5, 2023.

RESOLVED, that the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Roseland Board of Education will be held on a Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM at Lester C. Noecker School, 100 Passaic Avenue in Roseland, New Jersey, with the exceptions noted below (*).

January 6, 2022 *Reorganization Meeting*

*February 16, 2022

*March 14, 2022 *Preliminary Budget* (Monday)

*April 27, 2022 *Budget* (Wednesday)

May 19, 2022

June 23, 2022

August 18, 2022

September 22, 2022

October 20, 2022

November 17, 2022

December 15, 2022

January 5, 2023 *Reorganization Meeting*

In accordance with P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, the Board Secretary is authorized to deliver a copy of this Resolution to: *The Progress* and *The Passaic Herald News* or *The Star Ledger* as required by law within ten (10) days of its passage.

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BOARD MINUTES/REPORTS

RPT-025-22 Approve Board Meeting Minutes

RPT-026-22 Approve the January 2022 Code of Conduct Report

RPT-027-22 Approve the January 2022 Enrollment Report

RPT-028-22 Approve the January 2022 HIB Report

MOTION by Mrs. Scaraggi, SECOND by Mr. Gesario

No Discussion

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye Mrs. Savarese Aye
Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

RPT-025-22 Approve Board Meeting Minutes

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the Reorganization and Regular Board Meeting and Closed Session minutes for January 6, 2022.

RPT-026-22 Approve the January 2022 Code of Conduct Report

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the January 2022 Code of Conduct Report.

RPT-027-22 Approve the January 2022 Enrollment Report

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the January 2022 Enrollment Report.

RPT-028-22 Approve the January 2022 HIB Report

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the January 2022 HIB Report.

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FINANCE/FACILITIES

- FIN-122-22 Approve Acceptance of the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies – December 2021 and January 2022
- FIN-123-22 Approve Acceptance of the Report of the Board Secretary – December 2021 and January 2022
- FIN-124-22 Approve Acceptance of the Board of Education’s Monthly Certification of Major Budgetary Account/Fund Status – January 2022
- FIN-125-22 Approve Payment of Bills and Claims – January 2022
- FIN-126-22 Approve the Budgetary Line Item Transfers – December 2021 and January 2022
- FIN-127-22 Approve Acceptance of the Cafeteria Report – December 2021 and January 2022
- FIN-128-22 Approve Travel and Work Related Expenses
- FIN-129-22 Approve Occupational and Physical Re-evaluations for Student No. 2770595644
- FIN-130-22 Approve Additional Compensation for Employees
- FIN-131-22 Retroactively Approval of the Out of District Tuition Contract for Student No. 7684677330
- FIN-132-22 Approve the Essex Regional Educational Services Commission (ERESC) Contract for the Remainder of the 2021-2022 School Year
- FIN-133-22 Approval of Various Student Evaluations
- FIN-134-22 Approval of Internet Safety Presentations
- FIN-135-22 Approve a Psychiatric Evaluation for Student No. 7258059782
- FIN-136-22 Approve Shelly Klein Consulting for Four (4) Additional Days of Professional Development during the Remainder of the 2021-2022 School Year
- FIN-137-22 Approve Submission of the Application for the CARES Emergency Relief Grant
- FIN-138-22 Approve Waiver of Requirements for the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program – 2022-2023
- FIN-139-22 Approve 2022-2023 Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP)
- FIN-140-22 Approve the New Jersey School Boards Association (N.J.S.B.A.) Superintendent Search Contract
- FIN-141-22 Approve the Heating and Air Conditioning Maintenance Agreement with AME, Inc.
- FIN-142-22 Retroactive Approval of Repairs to the Heating and Air Conditioning Units with AME, Inc.
- FIN-143-22 Approve a Virtual Workshop on the Arts Challenge for Gifted and Talented Students

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FIN-144-22 Approve the Revised Annual Lease Agreement with Pitney Bowes for Postage Meter

FIN-145-22 Decline in the Acceptance of Funds From The American Rescue Plan - Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) II Program

MOTION by Mr. Gesario, SECOND by Mrs. Scaraggi

No Discussion

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye Mrs. Savarese Aye
Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

FIN-122-22 Approve Acceptance of the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies – December 2021 and January 2022

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, receives the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies for the periods ending December 31, 2021 and January 31, 2022.

FIN-123-22 Approve Acceptance of the Report of the Board Secretary – December 2021 and January 2022

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, receives the Board Secretary's Report for the periods ending December 31, 2021 and January 31, 2022.

FIN-124-22 Approve Acceptance of the Board of Education's Monthly Certification of Major Budgetary Account/Fund Status – January 31, 2022

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12(c)4, certifies that as of January 31, 2022, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.12(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

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FIN-125-22 Approve Payment of Bills and Claims – February 2022

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the payment of Bills and Claims for the period ending February 15, 2022:

General Fund Bills & Claims	\$ 575,639.21	
General Fund Payroll	\$ 855,535.18	through 02-15-2022
Special Revenue Bills & Claims	\$ 26,649.74	
<u>Cafeteria Fund Bills & Claims</u>	<u>\$ 15,441.70</u>	
Total Payments	\$1,473,265.83	

FIN-126-22 Approve the Budgetary Line Item Transfers – December 2021 and January 2022

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the attached Line Item Budget Transfers for the month of December 2021 and January 2022, as per N.J.S.A. 18A:8.1.

FIN-127-22 Approve Acceptance of the Cafeteria Report – December 2021 and January 2022

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the Cafeteria Report for the period ending December 2021.

FIN-128-22 Approve the Travel and Work Related Expenses

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, and in accordance with the travel policy, hereby approves the February 17, 2022 list of travel related expenses.

FIN-129-22 Approve Occupational and Physical Re-evaluations for Student No. 2770595644

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves an occupational and physical re-evaluation for Student No. 2770595644, services being provided by Pediatric Potentials at a cost of \$375.00 for each evaluation. (PO2200326)

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FIN-130-22 Approve Additional Compensation for Employees

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves additional compensation for employees presenting professional development and/or attending evening events.

FIN-131-22 Retroactive Approval of the Out of District Tuition Contract for Student No. 7684677330

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, retroactively approves the out of district tuition contract for Student No. 7684677330, with Cerebral Palsy of North Jersey DBA Pillar Care Continuum-Pillar Elementary School, 220 South Orange Avenue, Suite 3000, Livingston, NJ, 07039 for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year. This contract runs from December 10, 2021- June 30, 2022 (120 days) at a total cost of \$45,490.80.

FIN-132-22 Approve the Essex Regional Educational Services Commission (ERESC) Contract for the Remainder of the 2021-2022 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the contract with the Essex Regional Educational Services Commission for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year. Services provided are as follows:

Social Assessment:	\$400.00 per student
Educational Evaluation:	\$400.00 per student
Psychological Evaluation:	\$400.00 per student
Speech Evaluation:	\$400.00 per student
Bilingual Evaluation:	\$500.00 per student
Physical Therapy Evaluation:	\$450.00 per student
Occupational Therapy Evaluation:	\$450.00 per student
LDTC:	\$125.00 per meeting
Social Worker:	\$125.00 per meeting
School Psychologist:	\$125.00 per meeting

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FIN-133-22 Approval of Various Student Evaluations

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves various student evaluations, services being provided by Pediatric Potentials as follows: '

OT Evaluation for Student No. 6202464642	(PO2200341)	\$375.00
OT Evaluation for Student No. 9057106719	(PO2200350)	\$375.00
OT Evaluation for Student No. 2599838105	(PO2200357)	\$375.00
OT & PT Evaluation for Student No. 9652135782	(PO2200362)	\$750.00
OT Evaluation for Student No. 8482647902	(PO2200368)	\$375.00
PT Evaluation for Student No. 8482647902	(PO2200374)	\$375.00
OT Evaluation for Student No. 3138288136	(PO2200377)	\$375.00

FIN-134-22 Approval of Three (3) Internet Safety Presentations

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves three (3) internet safety presentations scheduled for April 5, 2022 (one (1) parent and two (2) student assemblies, Grades 3-4 and 5-6), given by Thomas M. Rich, LLC in the amount of \$4,000.00. (PO2200347)

FIN-135-22 Approve a Psychiatric Evaluation for Student No. 7258059782

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, retroactively approves a psychiatric evaluation for Student No. 7258059782, services to be provided by one of our board approved vendors at a cost not to exceed \$1,300.00. (PO2200375)

FIN-136-22 Approve Shelly Klein Consulting for Four (4) Additional Days of Professional Development during the Remainder of the 2021-2022 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves four (4) additional days of literacy professional development with Shelly Klein Consulting, at a rate of \$1,700/per day totaling \$6,800.00 during the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year.

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FIN-137-22 Approve Submission of the Application for the CARES Emergency Relief Grant

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the Business Administrator to apply for the CARES Emergency Relief Grant funds in the amount of \$1,549.00. The funds are to be used for the purchase of additional Chromebook computers for the 2021-2022 school year.

FIN-138-22 Approve Waiver of Requirements for the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program – 2022-2023

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district's participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2022-2023 budget year, and

WHEREAS, the Roseland Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than forty (40) Medicaid eligible classified students for the 2021-2022 budget year, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Roseland Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Essex an appropriate waiver of the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A23A-5.3 for the 2022-2023 school year.

FIN-139-22 Approve Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, and in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:26-3 et seq., authorizes the necessary amendments to its Long Range Facilities Plan in order to reflect proposed projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the submission of the aforementioned projects to the Essex County Executive Superintendent of Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education for approval; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that District Administration, the District Architect and/or the Board Attorney, are hereby authorized to execute those actions deemed appropriate to amend the District's Long Range Facilities Plan.

FIN-140-22 Approve the New Jersey School Boards Association (N.J.S.B.A.) Superintendent Search Contract

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the NJSBA Superintendent Search Contract. The cost of the search will range from \$4,000.00 to \$7,000.00 depending on the amount of services provided. Other quotes that were provided are from Ray and Associates, Inc. - \$14,000.00 and McPherson & Jacobson, LLC \$9,900.00 to \$13,100.00 depending on the amount of services provided.

FIN-141-22 Approve the Heating and Air Conditioning Maintenance Agreement with AME, Inc.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the annual maintenance agreement for the System Network Controllers for the heating and air conditioning system through AME, Inc., 1275 Bloomfield Avenue, Bldg. 2-Site 17B, Fairfield, N.J. 07004, ECNJ Co-op number ESCNJ 20/21-50, from March 1, 2022 to June 30, 2024 in the amount of \$11,087.82.

FIN-142-22 Retroactive Approval of Repairs to the Heating and Air Conditioning Units with AME, Inc.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, retroactively approves the repairs to the heating and air conditioning system in accordance with the Long Range Facilities Plan. The work is to be performed by AME, Inc., 1275 Bloomfield Avenue, Bldg.2-Site 17B, Fairfield, N.J. 07004, ECNJ Co-op number ESCNJ 20/21-50, in the amount of \$19,075.00.

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FIN-143-22 Approve a Virtual Workshop on the Arts Challenge for Gifted and Talented Students

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves participation in the 2021-2022 Workshop on the Arts Virtual Challenge for several of our Gifted and Talented students with the New Jersey Consortium for Gifted and Talented Programs, 2 Hickory Way, Mt. Arlington, NJ 07856, at a total cost of \$110.00.

FIN-144-22 Approve the Revised Annual Lease Agreement with Pitney Bowes for Postage Meter

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the revised annual lease agreement of sixty (60) month lease agreement with Pitney Bowes, (previously approved on June 23, 2020), at a cost of \$106.23 per month for the 2020-2021 school year. The new five (5) year lease agreement is in the amount of \$68.99 per month which will save the district \$37.24 per month and will begin on March 1, 2022 to February 28, 2027.

FIN-145-22 Decline in the Acceptance of Funds From The American Rescue Plan - Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) II Program

WHEREAS, the Roseland Board of Education has been allocated funds Through The American Rescue Plan - Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) II Program, and

WHEREAS, the Roseland Board of Education was allocated \$719.00, and

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the Requirements of ARP-HCY if the district's allocation is less than \$5,000.00, the Board of Education must select one of the following:

- o join a regional consortium to utilize the funding
- o choose to decline the funding

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Roseland Board of Education will decline the American Rescue Plan – Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) II Program funding allocation in the amount of \$719.00 and authorizes the District’s School Business Administrator and Superintendent to complete the process required on the district’s behalf to decline the funding.

PERSONNEL/MANAGEMENT

PER-047-22 Approve Amendments to Staff Stipend Duties in 2021-2022

PER-049-22 Approve to Hire Keith Cascio as Instructional Aide for the Remainder of the 2021-2022 School Year

PER-050-22 Approval Grievance Settlement with Employee No. 100320

PER-051-22 Approval of Roseland School District Substitutes for the 2021-2022 School Year

PER-052-22 Approve to Hire Crystal Barone as Leave Replacement for Employee No. 100367

PER-053-22 Re-Approval of Maternity Leave Request for Employee No. 100367

MOTION by Mrs. Scaraggi, SECOND by Dr. Leddy

No Discussion

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye Mrs. Savarese Aye
Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

PER-047-22 Approve Amendments to Staff Stipend Duties in 2021-2022

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves amendments of stipend duties for the staff members to perform extra duties beyond their contractual obligations for the 2021-2022 school year.

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PER-049-22 Approve to Hire Keith Cascio as Instructional Aide for the Remainder of the 2021-2022 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves to hire Keith Cascio as an instructional aide, Position Control No. 002, at a prorated salary of \$19,000.00 (\$18,500.00 base + \$500.00 veteran stipend= \$19,000.00), with no benefits, effective February 17, 2022, pending criminal history approval. A one time \$500.00 sign on bonus will be added.

PER-050-22 Approval Grievance Settlement with Employee No. 100320

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the grievance settlement between the Roseland Board of Education and Employee No. 100320.

PER-051-22 Approval of Roseland School District Substitutes for the 2021-2022 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves additional Roseland School District Substitutes for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year.

PER-052-22 Approve to Hire Crystal Barone as Leave Replacement for Employee No. 100367

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves to hire Crystal Barone, as the Leave Replacement for Employee No. 100367, Position Control No. 109, at a prorated salary based on MA Step 4, \$60,710.00, no benefits, with an effective start date of February 28, 2022, pending criminal history approval.

PER-053-22 Re-Approval of Maternity Leave Request for Employee No. 100367

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves the maternity disability leave of Employee No. 100367 ("Employee") commencing on February 7, 2022 and extending through March 30, 2022 unless modified by the appropriate physician's certificate. The employee will use (37) thirty seven of her accumulated sick leave days during this temporary disability period to receive salary and health benefits from February 7, 2022, through March 30, 2022. The employee's

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maternity disability leave shall run concurrent to her leave under the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA).

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education , upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the child care family leave of absence under the Family Medical Leave Act and the New Jersey Family Leave Act for Employee No. 100367 (“Employee”) commencing March 31, 2022, and extending through June 21, 2022 or last day of school for the 2021-2022 school year. The remainder of the employee’s leave under the Family Medical Leave Act shall run concurrent to the employee’s leave under the New Jersey Family Leave Act. The employee shall not receive salary during this period of time but will continue to receive health benefits subject to the employee’s required payout towards the premiums.

RESOLVED, Employee No. 100367 (“Employee”) shall return to work on the first day of the 2022-2023 school year.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

C&I-022-22 Approve the Revised 2022-2023 District Calendar

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RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approves the revised 2022-2023 District Calendar.

POLICIES, REGULATIONS AND BYLAWS

PRB-008-22 Approve First Reading or Revisions of Policies/Regulations/Bylaws

MOTION by Mrs. Scaraggi, SECOND by Mr. Gesario

No Discussion

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye Mrs. Savarese Aye
Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

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PRB-008-22 Approve First Reading or Revisions of Policies/Regulations/Bylaws

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve first reading or revisions of the following policies/regulations:

- P 2415.05 Student Surveys, Analysis, Evaluations, Examinations, Testing, or Treatment (M) (Revised)
- P & R 2431.4 Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries (M) (Revised)
- P 2622 Student Assessment (M) (Revised)
- R 2622 Student Assessment (M) (New)
- P 3233 Political Activities (Revised)
- P 7540 Joint Use of Facilities (Revised)
- P & R 8465 Bias Crimes and Bias-Related Acts (M) (Revised)
- P 9560 Administration of School Surveys (M) (Revised)

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may speak for a maximum of three (3) minutes by the clock during this portion of the meeting. The public may speak on any item pertaining to the school during this three (3) minute period. All comments should be directed to the Board President and depending upon the nature and complexity of the question, it may or may not be answered during the meeting by the Administration. If so, the response would occur after this public portion of the meeting has concluded. Everyone has the freedom to speak, but please be advised that anything said in public may have legal ramifications and there is no protection regarding statements made by the public.

Laura Sivori - 16 Pitcairn Dr. - Questioned whether the district will bring back the Before Care Program.

Mr. Gibbs stated that there has been discussion with the Finance/Facilities Committee regarding going out for an RFP for a new Before Care and After Care program.

Jennifer Luzzi, teacher at the school, welcomed Dr. Brockel as well as the new Board members. She further stated that she looks forward to the unmasking.

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XI. OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Scaraggi stated that SCRAM is looking to have their program located at the school for the whole year. She further commented on the Family Cyber program.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Leddy thanked Dr. Brockel for the COVID updates and questioned whether we will still be quarenteening for domestic travel as well as testing. She further stated that it would be beneficial to have Special Education students that are in the Extended Year Program to also be able to attend the SCRAM program.

In answer to Dr. Leddy's inquiry as to COVID protocol, Dr. Brockel stated that we have to follow the guidelines under the Executive Order. More information will be provided to parents on that matter.

Dr. Leddy further questioned whether there would be a Talent and Art Show at the end of the school year to which Dr. Brockel affirmed that he believes there will be.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mrs. Scaraggi, SECOND by Dr. Leddy

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye Mrs. Savarese Aye
Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

The next Regular Board/Preliminary Budget Meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, March 14, 2022 at 7:30 PM. There is a chance this meeting may be switched over to a virtual meeting. If this is the case, proper notification will be sent out and details will be on our website at www.roselandnjboe.org.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gordon Gibbs
Board Secretary/Business Administrator