

**ROMULUS CENTRAL SCHOOL
5705 ROUTE 96
ROMULUS, NEW YORK 14541**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES
BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM**

**NOVEMBER 10, 2009
6:30 P.M.**

PRESENT: Anna M. Morgan - President; Laurie Asermily - Vice-President; Susan Backlund; Rhonda Dickenson; Robert McCann; Brian Sparrow; Kristine Somerville (Arr. 6:40 p.m.)

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael J. Hoose - Superintendent; Leanne Keel - District Clerk; Robert Boulware - Business Manager; Neal MacPherson - Director, Buildings & Grounds; Christopher Puylara - RFA President; Theresa MacCheyne; Gina Lynch

Ms. Morgan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and welcomed visitors.

CLERK'S REPORT:

1.1M Approval of Minutes of October 13, 2009 (amended) and October 27, 2009

Motion made by Mrs. Dickenson, seconded by Mrs. Asermily.

Responding to Mr. McCann's concern about bomb threat communication (Refer to BOE Minutes dated 10/13/2009, Page 3077), Ms. Morgan stated that the BOE Policy #8214 - Bomb Threats, and its BOE Regulations as written, were "all done correctly" by the Superintendent. However, because current Policy/Regulations do not include that "a note be sent home with students" (as suggested by Mr. McCann), Policy/Regulations #8214 will be revised prior to further review of the full Policy Audit. When that revision is accomplished by the Policy Committee, it will be presented to the entire BOE.

Both the October 13, 2009 and October 27, 2009 BOE Minutes were approved unanimously by those present.

1.2M Approval of Payroll for October, 2009

Motion made by Mrs. Asermily, seconded by Mr. Sparrow, and carried unanimously by those present.

**POLICY/REGULATIONS OF
#8214 (Bomb Threats) TO BE
REVISED**

BOE MINUTES APPROVED

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1.3M Approval of Student Activities Report for September, 2009

Motion made by Ms. Backlund, seconded by Mr. Sparrow, and carried unanimously by those present.

PRESENTATION:

• **Organization/Study Skills - Middle Level Grades 5/6**

Mrs. MacCheyne and Mrs. Lynch reviewed slides on their use of multiple intelligence strategies to teach students to "plan ahead" and be "responsible for their own education and independence" in all content areas.

The BOE members were also invited to the Civil War Gallery Walk (open through 11/12/2009) which was an 8th grade Interdisciplinary Project.

Mrs. MacCheyne and Mrs. Lynch left the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

2.1 Update

Mr. Hoose stated that RCS would be hosting a seasonal flu clinic on November 23, 2009 from 3:00p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria. It will be free to all RCSD K-12 students, their parents and/or caregivers, and all District faculty and staff. And, Engineers/Architects met with the Superintendent about a Feasibility Study for a solar clean and green project.

Also, the Seneca Falls BOE will discuss the possibility of a shared JV Girls' Lacrosse team with RCS. Information will be available at a later date.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT:

3.1 Update

Mr. Boulware requested meeting dates, before December 1, 2009, with the BOE Insurance Committee and Union representatives on the possibility of a Healthy Blue Plan initiative.

3.2RS RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Romulus Central School District, Seneca County, is hereby authorized and directed to **establish a reserve fund** pursuant to Education Law Section 3651 which shall **be known as the "Capital Reserve Fund – Purchase of Buses"**, for the **purpose of financing, in whole or in part, the purchase and replacement of vehicles for the transportation of District students, including all costs incidental to the acquisition thereof, as permitted by Local Finance Law:** The ultimate

**MIDDLE LEVEL GRADES
PRESENTATION**

**SEASONAL FLU CLINIC AT
RCS**

FEASIBILITY STUDY DUE

**POSSIBLE SHARED JV
GIRLS' LACROSSE TEAM**

**CAPITAL RESERVE FUND
FOR PURCHASE OF BUSES
ESTABLISHED**

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amount of such reserve fund **shall not exceed \$1,900,000 plus amounts earned on deposit on reserve funds.** The probable term of existence of said reserve fund shall be from current and future unappropriated fund balances from the General Fund as directed by the Board of Education. No monies can be expended from the Bus Purchase Reserve Fund without voter approval; and

BE IT, FURTHER, RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Romulus Central School District is hereby authorized to **fund a Capital Bus Reserve Fund by a transfer of the balance of funds from the Capital Bus Reserve Fund created on March 31, 2005, and also by a transfer of the balance of funds in the amount of \$180,000 from the Capital Building Reserve Fund.**

Motion made by Ms. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Sparrow, and carried unanimously.

3.3RS RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Romulus Central School District, Seneca County, is hereby authorized and directed to **expend a total of not to exceed \$108,739.11 for the purchase of one (1) sixty (60) passenger school bus, and that said sum be paid out of the Capital Bus Reserve Fund.**

Motion made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by Mrs. Asermily, and carried unanimously.

3.4M Authorization to hold a **Public Vote** in the North Entrance Lobby on **January 26, 2010 from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the purchase of one (1) sixty (60) passenger school bus** off of the New York State Contract, for a not to exceed amount of \$108,739.11 to be paid out of the Capital Bus Reserve Fund, **and for the creation of a Capital Bus Purchase Reserve Fund** for a not to exceed amount of \$1,900,000 over a span of ten (10) years.

Motion made by Mrs. Asermily, seconded by Mrs. Dickenson, and carried unanimously.

3.5RS WHEREAS the United States Federal Government has increased the minimum wage per hour from \$7.15 to \$7.25 per hour; and

WHEREAS the Romulus Central School District's **minimum wage for non-instructional substitute employees, excluding substitute school bus drivers, is \$7.25 per hour;**

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Romulus Central School District **increase the non-instructional substitute employee rate of pay, excluding substitute school bus drivers, according to**

FUNDING OF CAPITAL BUS RESERVE FUND

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE ONE 60-PASSENGER SCHOOL BUS

AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD A PUBLIC VOTE ON JANUARY 26, 2010

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the following range of service: (1) First year of ALL support staff substitute service, excluding school bus drivers, will be \$7.25 per hour; (2) Second year of ALL support staff substitute service, excluding substitute school bus drivers, will be \$7.50 per hour. This is effective November 11, 2009.

Motion made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by Ms. Backlund, and carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: As Recommended by Mr. Hoose

6.1A Ann Gill - Cleaner, a probationary appointment, effective November 12, 2009, pending NYSED Fingerprinting Clearance, a 12-month 2,080 hour employee with benefits as stipulated in the current CSEA Union Contract, at a salary of \$9.39 per hour.

Motion made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by Ms. Morgan, and carried unanimously.

6.2A Coralie Schulman - Substitute Teacher, PK-6, Uncertified

Motion made by Mrs. Dickenson, seconded by Mr. Sparrow, and carried unanimously.

EXTRACURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS:

6.3RS WHEREAS, the Romulus Central School District Board of Education at its October 13, 2009 meeting approved the appointment of **Melanie Morabito as the JV Cheerleading Coach at a stipend of \$2,081**; and

WHEREAS, there is an inability to have sufficient student participation to field a squad;

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED THAT Ms. Morabito's Coaching appointment and its stipend be RESCINDED due to insufficient numbers to field a JV Cheerleading squad for the 2009-2010 school year.

Motion made by Mrs. Asermily, seconded by Mrs. Dickenson, and carried unanimously.

6.4RS WHEREAS, the Romulus Central School District Board of Education at its October 13, 2009 meeting approved the appointment of **Bernie Wegman as the Boys' Modified Basketball Coach at a stipend of \$1,742**; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wegman has coaching experience of four years or more thus allowing eligibility for a stipend amount of \$2,177 according to the current Romulus Faculty Association Union Contract;

**NON-INSTRUCTIONAL
SUBSTITUTE RATES OF
PAY ESTABLISHED**

**ANN GILL APPOINTED
CLEANER**

**RESCIND JV
CHEERLEADING COACH
STIPEND**

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BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED THAT **Mr. Wegman's stipend amount be corrected to \$2,177 for the Boys' Modified Basketball Coach position for the 2009-2010 school year, effective immediately.**

Motion made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by Ms. Morgan, and carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT:

9.1M Approval of the recommendations as listed in the Minutes as follows:

. October 14, 2009, October 21, 2009, October 23, 2009, October 28, 2009

Motion made by Mrs. Dickenson, seconded by Mr. Sparrow, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Hoose, Ms. Keel, Mr. Boulware, Mr. MacPherson, and Mr. Puylara left the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by Mrs. Asermily, and carried unanimously, to enter into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. in consideration of specific personnel.

Motion to **reconvene in regular session at 7:29 p.m.** made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by Mrs. Asermily, and carried unanimously.

Motion to **adjourn at 7:29 p.m.** made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by Mrs. Asermily, and carried unanimously.

LEANNE KEEL
DISTRICT CLERK

**CORRECTION IN BOYS'
MODIFIED BASKETBALL
COACH STIPEND**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

**RECONVENE IN REGULAR
SESSION**

ADJOURNMENT