

ROMULUS CENTRAL SCHOOL
5705 ROUTE 96
ROMULUS, NEW YORK 14541

BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES
BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM

OCTOBER 27, 2009
6:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Anna M. Morgan - President; Laurie Asermily - Vice-President; Susan Backlund; Robert McCann; Brian Sparrow

ABSENT: Rhonda Dickenson; Kristine Somerville

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael J. Hoose - Superintendent; Leanne Keel - District Clerk; Robert Boulware - Business Manager; Mary Jo Shrey - Director of Pupil Personnel Services; Amanda Pundt - RFA Vice-President; Charles Morgan; Ann Scott; Kathy Barrett

OTHERS ABSENT: Lynn Rhone - PK-12 Principal

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mrs. Scott expressed concern about the low numbers of AP course availability, specifically the science sequence. Mr. Hoose indicated that he would check with Mrs. Rhone and contact Mrs. Scott.

PRESENTATION:

1.0 Special Education Report

Mrs. Shrey, Director of Pupil Personnel Services, relayed information, through her Powerpoint slides regarding: introduction of the staff for Special Education, the process of referral/classification, numbers of PK-12 special education and pre-school special education students in the Romulus district, the upcoming Response to Intervention process for struggling learners, the Indicator 14 State plan to report post-school transition, and the Regents approved Five-Year Graduation rate.

Mrs. Shrey left the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

CLERK'S REPORT:

1.1M Approval of Minutes of October 13, 2009

TABLED

PUBLIC COMMENT

**SPECIAL EDUCATION
PRESENTATION**

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1.2M Approval of Treasurer's Report for September, 2009
Motion made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by Mrs. Asermily, and
carried unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

2.1 Update

Mr. Hoose mentioned that two cases of swine flu were reported
through unsolicited parent information and confirmed. He
stated that the Seneca County Health Dept. would be
distributing the flu vaccine at their Clinic on October 28,
2009.

The "presentation schedule" for the remaining 2009/10 BOE
meetings for staff presentations on the school budget,
curriculum, and professional development trainings was
distributed. Mr. Hoose mentioned that grant money is available
for "Going Green"; he will gather information on process for
these monies and report back to the BOE. Additionally, the
Governor proposed mid-year cuts in State Aid to school
districts will affect RCS by \$165,000.

2.2M Approval of Conference Requests as follows:

- . Leanne Keel – Transition to Electronic
Board Packets @ \$116.20

Title IIA . Jeffery Felice – NYS Assoc. of Math
Teachers @ \$630.00

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

2.3M Authorization of the following Romulus

Foundation for Educational Opportunities grant applications:

. Lynn Rhone – The Hill Brothers Interactive
Program on Bullying Prevention @ \$905.00

. Jennifer Bartlett – Motivating Reluctant
Readers with Graphic Novels @ \$500.00

. Nancy Munn, Cathy Jordan – Civil War
Medicine @ \$200.00

. Nancy Munn – Marketing Trip @ \$7,400.00
(estimate to include overnight incidentals for bus driver)

. Betty Gerych, Risa Lobkovsky, Sue Mitchell –
The Nutcracker Ballet at State Theatre, Ithaca, NY @ \$1,367.00

. Risa Lobkovsky – 2009 Russian Essay Content
& 2010 National Olympiada of Spoken Russian, SUNY
Albany, @ \$1,600.00

. Melanie Shoebridge-Bloom – Picasso Visits
RCS @ \$175.00

**SWINE FLU VACCINE
CLINIC HELD**

**GOING GREEN GRANT
MONIES TO BE PURSUED**

**FOUNDATION GRANTS
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. Melanie Shoebridge-Bloom – Catskill Puppet Theatre & Fine Arts Week @ \$920.00

. Melanie Shoebridge-Bloom – Bringing the History of Glass to Life, Corning, NY @ \$160.00

. Sue Schrader, Peg Brady, Cindy Drexler, Janice Hyde, Colleen Cook, Michelle Mason – Early Elementary Fine Arts Seminar , Geneva, NY and Rochester, NY @ \$7,212.00

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

2.3M Authorization to create the position of School Bus Driver

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

2.4M Authorization to re-establish membership in the NYSSBA @ \$4,380.00 for the 2010 calendar year.

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

SCHOOL BUS DRIVER POSITION CREATED

NYSSBA MEMBERSHIP RE-ESTABLISHED

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT:

3.1 Update

Mr. Boulware mentioned that there is a balance of \$39,000 remaining in the current Bus Purchase Reserve Fund and recommended the establishment of another Bus Purchase Reserve Fund. This would occur through a resolution put before the community voters in January, 2010 along with a resolution to purchase one school bus. More information on this will be shared with the BOE at their November 10, 2009 meeting.

BUS PURCHASE VOTE CONTEMPLATED

He reminded the BOE that Mr. Neal MacPherson, Director of Buildings & Grounds, would be presenting to them on November 10, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. regarding the budget process.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS BUDGET PRESENTATION

And, Mr. Boulware stated that in the near future talks with Administration, Union leaders, and the BOE Insurance Committee will commence about health insurance for retirees and employees 55-65 years of age.

NEW INSURANCES TO BE DISCUSSED

TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

11.1M Authorization for various School Bus Turnarounds for the 2009-2010 school year.

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

SCHOOL BUS TURNAROUNDS AUTHORIZED

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11.2RS RESOLVED THAT the Romulus Central School Board of Education grants authorization for Romulus Central School to enter into an agreement with the Town of Romulus and the Town of Varick for snowplowing of bus turnarounds from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010 at the State's prescribed rental rate for equipment and the Towns' hourly employee rate.
Motion made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by Ms. Morgan, and carried unanimously.

RESIGNATION:

7.1RG Marsha VanVleet - Cleaner, effective October 22, 2009
Motion made by Mrs. Asermily, seconded by Mr. Sparrow, and carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: As Recommended by Mr. Hoose

6.1A Kathy Lee Johnson - Cleaner, a probationary appointment, effective October 28, 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 Ms. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Sparrow, and carried unanimously.

6.2A . Ann Gill – Substitute Cleaner, pending NYSED Fingerprinting Clearance
. Kristine Nilsen-Rice – Substitute Teacher, PK-6 – Uncertified - pending NYSED Fingerprinting Clearance
. Devon Sparrow – Substitute Teacher, PK-12, - Uncertified – pending NYSED Fingerprinting Clearance
. Derek Jones – Substitute Cleaner
. Jessica Berlin – Substitute Cleaner
Motion made by Mrs. Asermily, seconded by Mr. McCann.
Motion carried with four affirmative votes. Mr. Sparrow abstained.

6.4A Bernadette Payne - Substitute School Bus Attendant/School Bus Monitor
Motion made by Mrs. Asermily, seconded by Mr. Sparrow, and carried unanimously.

EXTRACURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS:

6.3A Musical Production: Director High School - Sheridan Davenport-Montag @ \$3,885.20
Motion made by Mrs. Asermily, seconded by Ms. Backlund, and carried unanimously.

**SNOWPLOWING
CONTRACTS AUTHORIZED**

**MARSHA VAN VLEET
RESIGNS AS CLEANER**

**KATHY LEE JOHNSON
APPOINTED CLEANER**

**SHERIDAN DAVENPORT-
MONTAG APPOINTED
MUSICAL DIRECTOR**

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COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT:

9.1M Approval of the recommendations as listed in the Minutes of October 7, 2009 and October 9, 2009
Motion made by Ms. Morgan, seconded by Mr. Sparrow, and carried unanimously.

OTHER:

. Ms. Backlund announced that her RCS e-mail and personal e-mail is now functioning.

Motion to **adjourn at 7:40 p.m.** made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by Ms. Morgan, and carried unanimously.

LEANNE KEEL
DISTRICT CLERK

**"OTHER" ITEM
ANNOUNCED**