

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

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

**NOVEMBER 23, 2010
6:30 P.M.**

PRESENT: Brian Sparrow - President; Laurie Asermily - Vice-President; Susan Backlund; Dr. Sarah Everts; Timothy Kuryla; Robert McCann; James O. Somerville

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael J. Hoose - Superintendent; Leanne B. Keel - District Clerk; Christopher Puylara - RFA President; Denise Sparrow - CSEA Vice-President; Michael Pane - Athletic Director; Lisa Heitmann; Mrs. Rivera; Daniel Rivera; Nelson Scott

OTHERS ABSENT: Robert Boulware - Business Manager

Mr. Sparrow called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and welcomed guests.

PRESENTATION:

1.0 Update on APUSH (AP U.S.History) Field Trip 11th Grade students, Daniel Rivera and Nelson Scott, briefly informed the BOE about their AP U.S History class trip to Washington, DC November 19-21, 2010. They visited the Arlington National Cemetary, the National Archives, various monuments (e.g., VietNam Memorial), the Capitol, Ford's Theatre, the Smithsonian Museums. Mr. Scott stated that "it was a great experience, eye-opening, and educational." Mr. Rivera, Mr. Scott, and Mrs. Rivera left the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

US HISTORY CLASS FIELD TRIP

CLERK'S REPORT:

1.1M Approval of Minutes of November 9, 2010
Motion made by Dr. Everts, seconded by Mrs. Asermily, and carried unanimously.

1.2M Approval of Student Activities Report for October, 2010
Motion made by Ms. Backlund, seconded by Dr, Everts, and carried unanimously.

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ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

13.1 Fall sports review and Winter sports preview
Mr. Pane reported that 81 students participated in various Fall sports, and the Varsity Girls' Soccer team and Varsity Girls' Volleyball team obtained Scholar Athlete Team Status. The students needed to have averages for the first quarter above 90 in order to qualify.

Also, the Winter sports will be Basketball, Cheerleading, Track, and a co-ed Bowling team. Additional reports will be given to the BOE as the seasons progress.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

2.1 Update

Mr. Hoose discussed the Statewide School Finance Consortium (NYSSBA component) findings that school districts are rapidly depleting their Reserve funds because of escalating costs and State Aid cuts. He mentioned that RCS has 3-5 years before it finds itself out of money. But, he also mentioned that allocation of State Aid cuts is disproportionately harder on poorer districts that depend on aid. The BOE will be kept apprised.

Also mentioned was the Seneca County Regional Transportation Study in his opinion "is poorly done and flawed." He will provide a PDF of the report to the BOE.

And, paperless or electronic BOE packets will be a reality for RCS beginning with the December 14, 2010 meeting. This process utilizes Adobe Acrobat Professional.

2.2M Authorization of the following Romulus Foundation for Educational Opportunities grant applications:

- . Holly Stekl – SPARK Science Inquiry Learning System @ \$10,000.00
- . Susan Mitchell – Global Awareness & Cultural Appreciation through Music & Cuisine @ \$750.00
- . Martin Rotz – Texting While Driving Safety Program @ \$2,000.00
- . Kate Whitney – RCS “Stars” @ \$692.00
- . Nancy Munn – Sports & Entertainment Marketing Trip @ \$3,000.00
- . Melanie Shoebridge-Bloom – Bringing the Arts to Life Again @ \$920.00
- . Melanie Shoebridge-Bloom – M.C.Escher Reproductions at RCS @\$179.00
- . Theresa MacCheyne, Jennifer Bartlett, Martin Rotz – Rite Aid Drug Quiz Team Accessories @ \$350.00

Motion made by Dr. Everts, seconded by Mr. McCann, and carried unanimously.

SCHOLAR ATHLETE TEAM

DEPLETION OF RESERVE FUNDS

SENECA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION STUDY REPORT AVAILABLE

ELECTRONIC BOE PACKETS A REALITY

FOUNDATION GRANTS AUTHORIZED

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2.3RS WHEREAS the Romulus Central School District Board of Education authorized, on October 26, 2010, the Early Elementary Fine Arts Seminar Foundation Grant in the amount of \$6,081.00, pending Foundation Trustees authorization; and

WHEREAS the **Foundation has determined that the cost of this Seminar will be funded at \$4,500.00 not \$6,081.00;**

BE IT, THEREFORE RESOLVED, THAT the Romulus Central School District Board of Education **authorize the amended amount of \$4,500.00** to fund the Early Elementary Fine Arts Seminar for Kindergarten, First & Second Grades.

Motion made by Ms. Backlund, seconded by Mrs. Asermily, and carried unanimously.

2.4M Authorization to declare the RCS Technology equipment listed on the **appended document** as surplus due to their “end of life.”

Motion made by Dr. Everts, seconded by Mr. Kuryla, and carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: As Recommended by Mr. Hoose

6.1A Melody Reynolds – Food Service Helper, a probationary appointment as a 10-month employee, **pending Civil Service approval and NYSED Fingerprinting Clearance**, effective November 29, 2010 at a salary of \$9.22 per hour for three (3) hours per day that school is in session. Motion made by Mrs. Asermily, seconded by Mr. Kuryla, and carried unanimously.

6.2A Corie Fairbanks – Substitute School Bus Driver, **pending NYSED Fingerprinting Clearance**, effective November 24, 2010, a 10-month employee at \$15.00 per hour for extracurricular bus trips, and \$35.00 per run for A.M. OR P.M. in-district bus trips.

Motion made by Dr. Everts, seconded by Mr. Kuryla, and carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT:

9.1M Approval of the recommendations as listed in the Minutes of October 19, 2010

Motion made by Ms. Backlund, seconded by Mrs. Asermily, and carried unanimously.

**EARLY ELEMENTARY
FINE ARTS SEMINAR
GRANT AMENDED**

**TECHNOLOGY
EQUIPMENT DECLARED
SURPLUS**

**MELODY REYNOLDS
APPOINTED FOOD
SERVICE HELPER**

**CORIE FAIRBANKS
APPOINTED SUB SCHOOL
BUS DRIVER**

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Motion to **adjourn at 7:25 p.m.** made by Dr. Everts, seconded by Mr. McCann, and carried unanimously.

OTHER: Mr. Sparrow stated that he will be relocating outside of the Romulus Central School District, thus creating a BOE vacancy.

LEANNE B. KEEL
DISTRICT CLERK

