

**ROMULUS CENTRAL SCHOOL
ROMULUS, NY 14541**

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 22, 2008

6:30 P.M. – BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM

**5:30 P.M. – BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING –
BOARD ROOM**

(Anne, Rhonda, Brian)

**6:30 P.M. – ANTICIPATED EXECUTIVE SESSION IN
CONSIDERATION OF SPECIFIC PERSONNEL –
BOARD ROOM**

**(The Regular Meeting Will Reconvene And Adjourn
At Approximately 6:40 P.M. To The Auditorium)**

**PRESENT: Anna Morgan – President; Cornelia Johnson – Vice-
President; Laurie Asermily; Brian Sparrow; Judith Lerch; Norman
Hollenbeck; Rhonda Dickenson**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Robert Thompson – Interim
Superintendent; Leanne Keel – District Clerk; Robert Boulware –
Business Manager; Barbara Quinn – Elementary Principal;
Theresa MacCheyne – RFA President; John Vincent – Senior Class
Advisor; Jeremy Hayes – Sr. Class President; Steven Mateo – Sr.
Class Vice-President; Rachel Asermily – Student Council Rep.;
Susan Porter - FLTIMES**

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

Ms. Keel, Mr. Boulware, Mrs. MacCheyne, and guests left the meeting
at 6:31 p.m. in consideration of an Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion made by Mr. Sparrow, seconded by
Mrs. Asermily, and carries unanimously, to go into Executive Session at
6:32 p.m. in consideration of specific personnel. Mrs. Quinn was
invited to attend the session.

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Mr. Hollenbeck motioned to reconvene the public meeting at 6:38 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Johnson, and carried unanimously. The public meeting then adjourned to the RCS Auditorium for the following presentations commencing at 6:40 p.m..

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

4.1 Presentation on SSAFE Child Care Program – Barbara Quinn, Parent Contingent - **Auditorium**

Mrs. Linda Mastellar presented a signed petition on behalf of the parent contingent, followed by Mrs. Quinn's presentation, followed by a Q&A session. The petition stated that ... "we are asking that the RCS Board of Education recognize the value of this program to our children and our district and that every effort be made to create a new program that is similar to SSAFE and that will provide the quality and consistency of care that SSAFE has provided for many years." Four proposals were submitted by Mrs. Mastellar along with recommendations for each proposal, and the pros and cons for each.

Mrs. Barbara Quinn reviewed the inception of the original child care program begun in 1988, mentioning that it was a contracted service through the Geneva YMCA, then becoming the SSAFE program funded by a grant, and reviewing its current status and statistics. As the liaison between RCS and the SSAFE program, she outlined the projected district costs for salaries, benefits, Association contractual obligations, staff development, and office expenses. Mrs. Quinn also indicated that she has contacted several agencies interested in providing contracted services for a childcare program here in the RCS building.

Ms. Morgan thanked the presenters and parents, stating that "the Board of Education will take the matter under consideration and study it."

The group then left the Auditorium at 7:15 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON SCHOOL BUS PURCHASE VOTE –
AUDITORIUM**

Mr. Boulware, Business Manager, then presented the cost statistics to a small group of individuals regarding the upcoming school bus purchase vote to be held on January 30, 2008. This session adjourned to the Board Conference Room at 7:25 p.m.

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STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT FOR JANUARY, 2008 – Rachel
Asermily

Ms. Asermily reported that the family of an RCS staff member had lost their home due to fire. The Student Council has decided to hold a fund raiser (selling candy bars) with the entire profits donated to that family. Ms. Asermily left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

2.0 Presentation on Senior Class Trip to Baltimore, Maryland –
John Vincent

Mr. Vincent and class officers Jeremy Hayes and Steven Mateo informed the BOE of their upcoming Senior Class trip to Baltimore, MD in May, 2008, with no cost to the district for transportation. They mentioned that funds have been raised by the students for several years in anticipation of taking a class trip.

Mr. Vincent, Mr. Hayes and Mrs. Mateo left the meeting at 7:35 p.m. after the following resolution was passed.

2.1RS RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Romulus Central School approves the 2008 Senior Class trip to Baltimore, MD on May 9-11, 2008, at no cost to the District for transportation.

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

CLERK'S REPORT:

1.1M Approval of Minutes of January 8, 2008

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

1.2M Approval of Treasurer's Report for December, 2007

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

1.3M Approval of Student Activities Report for December, 2007

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

SUPERINTENDENT/TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISOR'S
REPORT:

2.2 Update

Mr. Thompson mentioned that the Capital Project bids were opened, indicating that Mr. Boulware would review the results.

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2.3M Approval of Conference requests as follows:

- Title I . Doris Robinson – Math Now @ \$95.00
- Title II . Rebecca Wheaton – High Functioning Autism & Aspergers @ \$195
- Title I . Barbara Quinn – Moving Your Teachers From Good To Great @ \$170

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

2.4RS WHEREAS the Four County School Boards Association is holding a General Membership Program on February 7, 2008 at The Club 86, Geneva, NY; and

WHEREAS the presenter is Charles S. Brown, Jr., Executive Director for the Rochester Area Colleges' Center for Excellence in Math and Science who will address programs designed to increase the quality and quantity of students successfully pursuing careers in those areas, as well as the quality and quantity of teachers of math and science; and

WHEREAS the Romulus Central School Grade 7-12 math and science faculty may benefit from this presentation;

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED THAT authorization be granted for the 7-12 math and science faculty from Romulus Central School to attend the dinner meeting on February 7, 2008, at no cost. Motion made by Ms. Morgan, seconded by Mrs. Asermily, and carried unanimously.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT:

3.1 Update on Capital Project Bid Opening

Mr. Boulware review the results indicating that the **General Contractor** low bidder was **Battle Construction Co., Inc., Victor, NY, in the amount of \$906,125.00**, and the **Roofing Contract** was awarded to low bidder, **Elmer W. Davis, Inc., Rochester, NY, in the amount of \$407,275.00**

3.2M Authorization to accept the 2007 Capital Project award of contracts as follows:

- . General Construction Contract in the amount of \$906,125.00 to Battle Construction Co., Inc., Victor, NY.
- . Roofing Contract in the amount of \$407,275.00 to Elmer W. Davis, Inc., Rochester, NY.

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

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3.3M Authorization to deposit the Romulus Central School Sports Boosters reimbursement check in the amount of \$4,493 for the purchase of four backboards in the high school Gym into Account #A2855.200/99-0000, Equipment.

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

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

4.2 Shared Decision Making Evaluation

4.3 Literacy Incentives

Mrs. Quinn mentioned that Mrs. Kaminski, WFL BOCES, will present to the PK-6 teachers on Staff Development Day, January 28, 2008.

4.4 Increase the length of Kindergarten & 1st Grade school day
Mrs. Quinn recommended that the school day be lengthened effective in September, 2008, from 2:30 p.m. dismissal to 3:35 p.m. dismissal.

4.5M Authorization to **increase the length of the RCS school day for Kindergarten and 1st Grade students from 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

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

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

7.1L Darlene Werner – Child-bearing leave of absence, effective approximately March 3, 2008 through approximately May 6, 2008, utilizing 39 accumulated sick leave days.

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

7.2L Bette Somerville – Teacher Aide, an Educational leave of absence due to Student Teaching requirements to be performed in the Romulus Elementary School, effective January 14, 2008 to May 9, 2008.

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

PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: As Recommended by Mr. Thompson

6.1RS RESOLVED THAT, upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools on January 22, 2008, **PATSY COOL**, whose address is East Lake Road, MacDougal, NY, be granted

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a **LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER AIDE** appointment, effective January 11, 2008 to May 15, 2008 at \$9.39 per hour **for the Educational leave of absence of Bette Somerville.**

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

6.2A Jessica Petrie – Cafeteria Monitor, pending NYSED Fingerprint Clearance, effective January 23, 2008, for 2.5 hours per day that school is in session at \$9.45 per hour.

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

6.3A Dawn Wichtman – Cleaner, a probationary appointment pending NYSED Fingerprint Clearance, effective January 23, 2008, at a salary of \$8.63 per hour, a 2080 hour employee, with benefits as stipulated in the current CSEA Contract.

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

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT:

9.1M Approval of the recommendations as listed in the CSE Minutes of December 6, 2007 and December 14, 2007.

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

Motion to **adjourn at 8:00 p.m.** made by Mr. Hollenbeck, seconded by Mrs. Dickenson, and carried unanimously.

LEANNE KEEL
DISTRICT CLERK

