

**ROMULUS CENTRAL SCHOOL  
ROMULUS, NY 14541**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 8, 2011  
7:00 P.M. – BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM**

**PRESENT: Robert McCann – President; Laurie Asermily – Vice President; Susan Backlund; Seth Brandow; Rebecca Jessop; Timothy Kuryla; James O. Somerville**

**ABSENT: No one**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Michael J. Hoose – Superintendent; Robert J. Boulware – Business Manager; Lynn Rhone – PK-12 Principal; Michael Pane – Athletic Director; Tina Carlsen – CSEA President; Carol Cooper; Lisa Heitmann, Kara Mapstone**

**OTHERS ABSENT: Leanne B. Keel – District Clerk**

Mr. McCann called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m., and welcomed guests. The Pledge of Allegiance recitation was suspended due to flag usage at the Municipal Election.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: None**

**PRESENTATION:**

**ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

1.0 Athletic Department Update

Mr. Pane stated that 62 athletes had participated in Fall sports.

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

1.1M Approval of Minutes of October 25, 2011

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

1.2M Approval of Payroll for October, 2011

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

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

**SCHOOL FINANCE CONSORTIUM WORKSHOP  
MERGER FEASIBILITY STUDY**

2.1 Update – School Finance consortium Workshop; Feasibility Study

Mr. Hoose mentioned that he would be attending the Statewide School Finance Consortium Workshop on November 16, 2011 to be held at WFL BOCES Newark. The topic will be "New Critical Advocacy Data Tool Kit" which may be utilized to encourage legislators and other stakeholders to change the Foundation Aid Formula and the Gap Elimination Aid cuts that currently exist. An update will be given to the BOE at the November 22, 2011 meeting.

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Then, Mr. Hoose presented an overview (via a PowerPoint presentation) of the recently completed Merger Feasibility Study. He stated that the Study examined the advantages and disadvantages of various Seneca County School District combinations (Seneca Falls, Waterloo, Romulus, and South Seneca), that the "indicators" predict the likelihood of a successful merger, and it is this list that serves as the foundation for the recommendations that are included in the Study. Some discussion ensued.

**FIRE INSPECTION REPORT**

2.2M Authorization to accept the 2011 Fire Inspection Report, and to have the District Clerk publish a Public Notice regarding its availability for public inspection. Motion made by Ms. Backlund, seconded by Mrs. Jessop, and carried unanimously.

**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY TRIP**

2.3RS RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Romulus Central School approves the Romulus Chapter of the National Honor Society four-day, three-night trip to Philadelphia, PA on April 26-29, 2012, pending availability of busing; and  
BE IT, ALSO RESOLVED, THAT meal and activity expenses for the bus driver and chaperones (other than hotel room), and expenses for the bus be approved; and  
BE IT, ALSO RESOLVED, THAT \$500.00 in expense dollars will be issued, with receipts and any unused monies to be returned; and  
BE IT, ALSO RESOLVED, THAT the bus driver be paid for normal driving time at the normal rate of pay. And, any drive time over the normal five (5) hours will be paid at the normal trip rate of \$15.50 per hour.  
Motion made by Ms. Backlund, seconded by Mrs. Asermily, and carried unanimously.

**PK-12 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:**

4.1 Update

Mrs. Rhone stated that the PTCC Hall party was a success and recognized Vicki Shields for her efforts.

**TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:**

**SCHOOL BUS TURNAROUNDS APPROVED**

11.1M Authorization for various School Bus Turnarounds for 2011-12 year  
Motion made by Ms Backlund, seconded by Mr. Kuryla, and carried unanimously.

**SNOWPLOW AGREEMENTS APPROVED**

11.2RS RESOLVED THAT the Romulus Central School Board of Education grants authorization for Romulus Central School to renew its Agreements with the Town of Romulus and the Town of Varick for snowplowing of bus turnarounds from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012 at the State's prescribed rental rate for equipment and the Towns' hourly employee rate.

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

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

15.1 Facilities Committee Update

Mr. Kuryla stated that 114 items have been marked as "discrepancies" which need attention within the upcoming Capital Project to be voted upon on January 24, 2012.

**RESIGNATION:**

**SHAWN WALSH RESIGNS**

7.1RG Shawn Walsh – Building Maintenance Mechanic/School Bus Driver, effective November 13, 2011

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

**PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS: Recommended by Mr. Hoose**

6.1A Mary Suffredini – Substitute Childcare Worker

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

**CAFETERIA MONITOR APPOINTED**

6.2A Heidi Burke – Cafeteria Monitor, a 10-month position, effective November 14, 2011, for two (2) hours per day when school is in session at \$8.99 per hour, with benefits as stipulated in the current CSEA Collective Bargaining Contract.

Motion made by Mr. Kuryla, seconded by Mrs. Jessop, and carried unanimously.

**EXTRACURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS:**

**WEIGHT ROOM COORDINATOR APPOINTED**

6.3A Babette Bennett – Weight Room Coordinator @ \$2,645.17 pro-rated

Motion made by Mr. Kuryla, seconded by Mr. McCann, and carried unanimously.

**BOYS' MODIFIED 7/8 GRADE BASKETBALL COACH**

6.4A Michael Pane – Boys' Modified 7/8 Grade Basketball Coach @ \$2,177.00

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

**COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT:**

9.1A Approval of the recommendations as listed in the Minutes of October 19, 2011 and October 21, 2011

Motion made by Mr. McCann, seconded by Mr. Kuryla, and carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

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Motion made by Mr. Kuryla, seconded by Ms. Backlund, and carried unanimously, to enter into Executive Session at 8:31 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of specific personnel, and in consideration of discussion about proposed, pending or current litigation. Mrs. Rhone was invited into this session, leaving at 8:42 p.m. Mr. Somerville recused himself at 8:44 p.m.

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**REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED**

Motion to reconvene in regular session at 9:13 p.m. made by Mrs. Asermily, seconded by Mr. Kuryla, and carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 9:13 p.m. made by Mr. McCann, seconded by McCann, seconded by Ms. Backlund, and carried unanimously.

LAURIE ASERMILY, VICE PRESIDENT FOR  
LEANNE B. KEEL, DISTRICT CLERK