

A special meeting of the Roxbury Board of Education was held on March 24, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Present: Ed Fersch, Denise Johnston, Kelli Winnie, Ed Dalski, and Jenny Rosenzweig  
Superintendent: Jeffrey J. Bennett  
Principal: Jill Ten Eyck  
Treasurer: Wendy Sprague  
Secretary: Marianne Schor

Mr. Fersch called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Tom Murphy, School Business Administrator from the ONC BOCES Central Business Office, gave a presentation via Zoom reviewing the fund balance and school district reserves.

**Murphy Fund  
Balance Review**

Mr. Bennett gave a PowerPoint presentation on the preliminary budget for 2120220. The final Public Presentation will be on April 14<sup>th</sup>.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Public  
Budget  
Presentation**

Additions to agenda: Under Personnel: Move items 1-4, the Tenure Recommendations, to the beginning of the meeting.

#### PERSONNEL

1. Denise Johnston moved, seconded by Jenny Rosenzweig, to approve the recommendation of tenure for Jessica Young as a K-12 music teacher effective September 1, 2021. Motion approved unanimously.
2. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Jenny Rosenzweig to approve the recommendation of tenure for Amy Soule as a speech pathologist effective September 1, 2021. Motion approved unanimously.
3. Ed Dalski moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the recommendation of tenure for Brian Kuhnau as a 7-12 science teacher effective September 1, 2021. Motion approved unanimously.
4. Jenny Rosenzweig moved, seconded by Ed Dalski to approve the recommendation of tenure for Nelta Miller as an LTA effective September 1, 2021. Motion approved unanimously.

**Young Tenure  
K-12 Music**

**Soule Tenure Speech**

**Kuhnau Tenure Science**

**Miller Tenure LTA**

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Mr. Bennett stated that Brenda Hill and Mary Hinkley are interested starting an E-Sports program. He stated that Ms. Hill had gotten a grant to purchase equipment for the group, including Nintendo Switches. The program would start with 6<sup>th</sup> graders.

**E-Sports**

2. Mr. Bennett referred to the Spring Sports Protocol sheet that had been distributed to the board. He discussed the different safety measures that will be taken in regards to spectators and chaperones. Ms. Rosenzweig asked that the taking of temperatures be added to the protocols. Mr. Bennett agreed.

**Spring Sports Protocols**

#### BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### 1. Policy Committee:

There was a 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the following new policies:

- 5633 – Gender Neutral Single-Occupancy Bathrooms
- 7552 – Student Gender Identity

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Policies**

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### A. SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the 2021 Communicable Disease Plan. Motion approved unanimously.
2. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Jenny Rosenzweig to approve the Spring Sports Season Protocols with the addition of taking temperatures of members of both teams prior to playing, and giving the Superintendent the authority to change the protocols based on recommendations by the Department of Health and the Delaware League. Motion approved unanimously.

**Communicable Disease Plan**

**Spring Sports Season Protocols**

##### B. PERSONNEL

Jenney Rosenzweig moved, seconded by Kelli Winnie to approve the following personnel items:

1. Approve Laura O’Brien as Garden Coordinator from April 15, 2021 through November 30, 2021 at a rate of \$15/hour up to a maximum of \$5,000.
2. Approve Laurie Andrews as a substitute teacher PK-12 retroactive to 3/23/21. Fingerprint clearance has been received.

**Personnel**

**O’Brien Garden Coord.**

**L. Andrews Sub**

Motion approved unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were no public comments, but Mr. Dalski asked Mr. Bennett some questions regarding Roxbury’s high per student cost. A discussion followed.

Ed Dalski moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

**Adjourn**

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Edward Fersch, BOE President

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Jeffrey J. Bennett, Superintendent

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Marianne Schor, Secretary