

The Regular Meeting of the Roxbury Central School District Board of Education was held on May 12, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the bandroom.

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

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

Mary Hinkley gave a presentation on the new E Sports club. She and Brenda Hill have been piloting the new program with the 6th grade, and it has been very popular. The students earn time to do E Sports during their lunch period by completing homework. Mrs. Hinkley showed a video that explained what E Sports is and its popularity. She talked about how, with an actual club, they can compete both locally and nationally, and how there are even college scholarships for E Sports. Ms. Hill arrived at 7:15, and answered questions regarding the current equipment, they have and what would be needed in the future. Mr. Fersch thanked them for their presentation.

E Sports Presentation

Jill Ten Eyck arrived 7:10

Additions to agenda:

1. Executive sessions at the end of the meeting to discuss the following:
 - Negotiations
 - A student issue
 - Superintendent's evaluation
 - Employee history

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Ed Dalski to approve the treasurer's report for April, 2021. Motion approved unanimously.

Treas. Report

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the budget transfers to be effective 5/12/21/21 in the amount of \$37,355. Motion approved unanimously.

Budget Transfers

The bills and the Claims Auditor's Report for April were reviewed.

Bills & Claims

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the extra-classroom activity fund report for April, 2021. Motion approved unanimously.

Extra-Classroom Activity Fund

Ed Dalski moved, seconded by Kelli Winnie to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on April 14, 2021 as corrected. Motion approved unanimously.

Minutes

President's Report: None

Superintendent's Report:

1. Mr. Bennett discussed the different projects we will be starting with some of the Federal funds we will be receiving. He discussed the emergency project, which is the replacement of the windows, the capital outlay project, which will include other building improvements, and the Corona Response Relief fund. We will be posting a survey on how the stakeholders think we should spend those funds. A discussion followed.

Federal Funding

Principal's Report:

1. Ms. Ten Eyck announced that Catherine Jankowski is this year's Valedictorian, and Robert Peters is the Salutatorian. She added that she had just come from the annual Scholars dinner that is usually held at SUCO, but was done virtually and held here in the library for our recipient. Catherine Jankowski received this academic award, and she chose Julia Manetta as her mentor and her most influential teacher. Ms. Ten Eyck congratulated them both.

2021 Val. & Sal.

Board Committee Reports: None

Board Comments and Questions: Ed Dalski asked if there had been any further comments from the public about the tennis courts. Mr. Bennett said no, and the issue that was complained about has been fixed. He added that he is hoping to put up a sign stating that the courts are school property, and to clean up the area surrounding the courts.

Mr. Fersch asked if there had been any progress with the gas tank at the garage and Main Care. Mr. Bennett stated no, that we are still working on it, and the attorneys are looking at the contract.

Old Business: None

New Business:

A. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS:

**Capital Outlay Contract
Popli Design Group**

1. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Ed Dalski, to Approve contract with William Taylor, with the Popli Design Group, for the capital outlay project in the amount of \$13,800. Motion approved unanimously.
2. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Ed Dalski to approve contract with William Taylor Consulting Architectural Services for the emergency capital project in the amount of \$3,700. Motion approved unanimously.
3. Denise Johnston moved, seconded by Kelli Winnie to approve the following resolution:

**SEQRA Resolution
Cap. Outlay Project**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Roxbury Central School District (the “Board”) has considered the effect upon the environment of proposed capital outlay project work, including, but not limited to the following:

Replace domestic water heaters, replace light fixtures, and repair slate roofing at the School District’s building located at 53729 NY-30, Roxbury, NY 12474.

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the scope of the project and has further received and considered the advice of its architects with respect to the potential for environmental impacts resulting from the proposed action; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the Proposed Action with respect to the Type II criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c), now therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education as follows:

1. The Proposed Action does not exceed thresholds established under 6 NYCRR Part 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, (SEQRA).
 2. The Board hereby determines the Proposed Action as a Type II action in accordance with the SEQRA regulations.
 3. No further review of the Proposed Action is required under SEQRA.
 4. This resolution shall be effective immediately.
- Motion approved unanimously.

**SEQRA Resolution
Emergency Project**

4. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston, to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Roxbury Central School District has considered the impacts to the environment of the repair of defective windows in the 1997 addition to the School District's school building located at 53729 NY-30, Roxbury, NY 12474 in accordance with the detailed scope of work prepared by its Architect William Taylor Architects dated May 10, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the scope of the Proposed Action and has further received and considered the advice of its Architects with respect to the potential for environmental impacts resulting from the Proposed Action; and

WHEREAS, the District has reviewed the Proposed Action with respect to the Type II criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR part 617.5(c) (1), (2) and (3) and concluded that the project involves activities involving no substantial changes in existing structures or facilities, and replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of structures or facilities in kind and routine activities of an educational institution, now therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education as follows:

1. The Proposed Action individually and collectively does not exceed thresholds established under 6 NYCRR Part 617 of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).
2. The Board hereby determines that the Proposed Action is a Type II action in accordance with the SEQRA regulations.
3. No further review of the Proposed Action is required under SEQRA.
4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Motion approved unanimously.

5. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the following resolution:

Emergency Repair

WHEREAS, the School District Architects William Taylor Architects have opined that defective windows in the 1997 addition to the School District's

school building located at 53729 NY-30, Roxbury, NY 12474 are in need of immediate repair and replacement; and

WHEREAS, the School District's administration concurs that the replacement constitutes an emergency project; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received and considered the opinion of its Architects, dated May 11, 2021, declaring the repair and replacement of defective windows in the 1997 addition to the School District's school building located at 53729 NY-30, Roxbury, NY 12474 to be an emergency project (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project is essential for the protection of the health and safety of the students and staff and for the protection of the School District's property; and

WHEREAS, the district officials and its construction team have been in contact with New York State Education Department Office of Facility Planning which has agreed that the Project constitutes a local emergency project which is required in order to preserve the health and safety of students and staff and for protection of the School District's property and shall receive New York State Building aid over a fifteen year period; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has declared that the project is a Type II SEQRA Action that will have no negative impact on the environment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Board of Education hereby finds pursuant to the Education Law, that the repair and replacement of defective windows in the 1997 addition to the School District's school building located at 53729 NY-30, Roxbury, NY 12474 is essential for protection of the health and safety of the students and staff and for protection of the District's property, and hereby declares the Project to be an ordinary contingent expense.
2. The maximum estimated cost of the Project, as determined by William Taylor Architects, the Architect, is Fifty-Thousand Dollars (\$50,000). The Project will be funded by the general fund and/or applicable State Aid.

3. The Superintendent of Schools and all officers and employees of the School District are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps reasonably necessary or appropriate to complete the Project and to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.
Motion approved unanimously.

B. PERSONNEL:

Denise Johnston moved, seconded by Kelli Winnie to approve the following personnel items:

1. Accept the resignation of Ashley Gifford as the Agriculture Education teacher effective June 9, 2021.
2. Approve summer positions as follows:

Special Education Summer Program – 7/5/21 through 8/13/21
(5 days/6 weeks)

- 1 Teacher 8 am – 11:30 am – Barbara Spanhake
- 1 Teacher Assistant 8 am – 11:30 am - Cheryl Hadden
(Salary – 1/200 of annual salary per day x .5)

Summer School Program – 7/6/21 through 7/30/21
(5 days/4 weeks, Mon. – Fri., 8:00 am – 11:30 pm)

- 7-12 Teachers:
 - Greg Funck – Math
 - Amy Kauffmann – Social Studies
 - Rinda Mattice – Social Studies
- LTA:
 - Liz Cowan
- Drama Director – Erin Lyke
(Salary – 1/200 of annual salary per day x .5)

Summer CROP Program – 7/6/21 through 7/30/21
(5 days/4 weeks 8:00 am – 12:00pm)
(Salary per CROP contract)

- 1 Site Coordinator
 - Kristi Hadden
- 3 Activity Leaders
 - Robyn Vamosy
 - Susan George
 - Nelta Miller
- 5 Peer Tutors
 - Catherine Jankowski
 - Lydia Biruk
 - Tea Mattice

Personnel

Gifford Resignation

Summer Positions

- Jillian Lyke
- Michael Kauffmann

➤ Substitute Activity Leader:

- Pat Keith

Summer Recreation Program – 7/6/21 through 7/30/21

(5 days/4 weeks – 12:00 pm –3:30 pm)

- 1 Director – Kristi Hadden \$ 1,500
- 1 Assistant Director – Susan George \$ 1,000
- Student/Swim Aides: \$ 12.50/hr
- Catherine Jankowski
- Lydia Biruk
- Tea Mattice
- Jillian Lyke
- Michael Kauffmann

➤ Adult Swim Aides (depending upon enrollment):

- Liz Cowan
- Nelta Miller

Summer Custodial – 7/6/21 through 9/3/21

(5 days/9 weeks -7 am – 3:30 pm)

- Student Custodians: \$ 12.50/hr
 - Taran Davis
 - Dennis Slauson
 - Brett Morrison
 - Paul Vamosy
 - William Young
- Summer Custodians: \$ 12.50/hr
 - Hope Tone-Pah-Hote
 - MacKenzie Davie (after kitchen in July; full time in August)

Summer Kitchen – 7/6/21 through 7/30/21

(5 days a week/4 weeks – 5 hours/day)

- 1 Manager – Lori Davie
- 1 Assistant – McKenzie Davie
(salary at normal hourly rate)

3. Approve summer bus drivers as follows at their regular rate of pay:

- Cheryl Hinkley
- Alan Davis
- Cindy Whitney
- Patty Agostinello
- Sharon Buckler
- Magdy Bahnas
- AJ Vamosy - Sub Bus Driver

Summer Bus Drivers

- Janice Ballard - Sub Bus Driver

- 4. Approve Laurie Andrews as substitute nurse retroactive to April 27, 2021.
- 5. Approve Barbara Lancaster, 53781 State Hwy. 30, Roxbury, NY as a substitute teacher K-6 and LTA. Fingerprint clearance has been received.
- 6. Rescind the March 10, 2021 approval of the request for one day of unpaid leave for Stacy Vasta on February 12, 2021.
Motion approved unanimously.

L. Andrews Sub Nurse
Lancaster Sub Teacher
Rescind Vasta Unpaid Leave

C. OTHER:

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the following CSE Recommendations:

CSE Recs.

#’s 409, 3063, 4112, 4025, 4145, 4180, 4085, 4205, & 4015
Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comments: None

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Ed Dalski to go into executive session at 8:09 pm to discuss negotiations, a student issue, the Superintendent’s evaluation and an employee history. Motion approved unanimously.

Into Exec. Session

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Ed Dalski to come out of executive session at 9:41 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

Out of Exec. Session

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Ed Dalski to adjourn the meeting at 9:41 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

Adjourn

Jeffrey J. Bennett, Superintendent

Ed Fersch, BOE President

Marianne Schor, Secretary