

A special meeting of the Roxbury Board of Education was held on July 1, 2020 at 7:00 pm immediately following the Annual Organizational Meeting.

Present: Ed Fersch, Denise Johnston, Kelli Winnie, and Ed Dalski  
Superintendent: Jeffrey J. Bennett  
Treasurer: Wendy Sprague  
Absent: Jill Ten Eyck

Mr. Fersch called the meeting to order at 7:21 pm.

Additions to agenda:

1. Add Public Comments to the end of the agenda
2. Executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss a contractual issue.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Mr. Fersch discussed the options for replacing the board member who resigned on June 10<sup>th</sup>. The board decided to put out a notice inviting anyone who is interested to contact Mr. Bennett, and then they would be asked to come and give a brief presentation at the July 15<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

**Board Vacancy**

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to open the opportunity to fill the board vacancy up to the public and to include Teri Borst and anyone else in the application process to submit a letter of interest by July 14, 2020. Motion approved 3 yeas, 1 nay.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Mr. Bennett reviewed the budget vote results with the budget passing 292 to 48 with one blank ballot, and the Board of Education results with Mr. Fersch winning the seat.
2. Mr. Bennett stated that graduation went well. The ceremony was held under a tent with social distancing practices in effect. The ceremony was very close to the traditional ceremony except for the presentation of awards.
3. Our Extended School Program for special education students will start on July 6<sup>th</sup>. As of now we have 8 students participating in the building and two who are going to be transported out of district. We will be having a training tomorrow given by Josh Reiss, the BOCES Safety Risk Officer as to what protocols will need to be followed.
4. Mr. Bennett stated that we are required to come up with three reopening plans: one for full attendance in building, one for fully remote learning, and one for a hybrid of the two. He went on to say that this district is in good shape for having elementary in the building as we have the

**Budget Vote Review**

**Graduation**

**Summer Program**

**Reopening Plans**

space to keep them socially distant, but there are some high school classes that could be a challenge. Mr. Bennett stated that he is working on freeing up some larger spaces for classes.

PERSONNEL

1. Denise Johnston moved, seconded by Kelli Winnie to rescind the appointment of Joan Kemp and Laurie Andrews as remedial reading teachers for the Special Education Summer Program 7/6/20 through 8/14/20 5 days/6 weeks at a rate of 1/200<sup>th</sup> of their annual salary. Motion approved unanimously.

**Rescind Kemp & Andrews**

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

**Personnel**

2. Approve the following summer positions

**Summer Positions**

Special Education Summer Program –7/6/20 through 8/14/20

(5 days/6 weeks 8:00 am – 3:00 pm pending enrollment)

- Remedial Reading Teachers
  - Laurie Andrews at a rate of \$150/day. Fingerprint clearance has been received.
  - Joan Kemp pending fingerprint clearance at a rate of \$150/day pending fingerprint clearance
- Licensed Teacher Assistants at a rate of 1/200<sup>th</sup> of their annual salary x .5:
  - Cheryl Hadden
  - Kristi Hadden
- Substitute Nurses at the usual sub rate:
  - Noelle Kletchka
  - Patty Agostinello

3. Approve the following 20-21 positions:
  - Drama Club Director – Rinda Mattice as per the RTA contract
  - Assistant Drama Club Director – Erin Lyke as per the RTA contract

**Drama Club Director & Asst. Director**

4. Approve Christopher Shultis as a substitute mechanic at a rate of \$19/hr.

**C. Shultis Sub Mech.**

5. Approve Jean Menchen as assistant to District Treasurer at a rate of \$28.20/hr on an as needed basis.

**Menchen Asst. to Dist. Treasurer**

Motion approved unanimously.

OTHER

1. Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to approve the following CSE Recommendations:  
Student ID'S 4059, 4064, 3067, 4328, 3098

**CSE Recs.**

Motion approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A member of the public shared his concerns with the Zoom platform, should we have to go back to Zoom meetings.

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston, to go into executive session at 7:53 pm for the purpose of the discussing a contractual issue.  
Motion approved unanimously.

**Into Exec.  
Session**

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Ed Dalski, to come out of executive session at 8:04 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

**Out of Exec.  
Session**

Kelli Winnie moved, seconded by Denise Johnston to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

**Adjourn**

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Ed Fersch, BOE President

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Jeffrey J. Bennett, Superintendent

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Marianne Schor, Secretary