Rochester Area School District Board of Education Minutes

REGULAR SESSION

Present:

<u>Absent</u>

Mr. Bauer

Mrs. Heim

Mr. Kaye

Mr. Martino

Mr. Murtha

Mrs. Reda

Mr. Weischedel

Mrs. Yakish

Mr. Zarnich

CALL TO ORDER:

Mrs. Reda called the meeting to order at 7:16 P. M.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Mrs. Yakish this evening, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the May 10, 2010 Meeting were approved as submitted by motion of Mr. Murtha, second of Mrs. Yakish, and unanimous roll call vote.

NOTE:

An executive session was held at 6:00 P. M. prior to this meeting for personnel and legal matters. It adjourned at 7:14 P. M. and the Regular Session for May 24, 2010 opened at 7:16 P. M.

PRESENTATION:

Mr. Mark Vukovcan gave a presentation on the 7th Grade GATE Program for the 2009-2010 school year.

CITIZEN INPUT:

There was no citizen input at this time.

BOARD COMMITTEE ACTION

FINANCE:

A financial report was given by Mr. Christopher Ursu, District Business Manager, at this time.

Mr. Martino motioned to accept the Treasurer's Financial Report for the month of April. This was seconded by Mrs. Yakish, and unanimously approved upon a roll call vote. This included:

a.	General Fund Accounts Payable	\$	0.00
b.	Contractual Obligations and Pre-Approved Checks:	\$1,	666,735.07
Ç,	Capital Improvement 09	\$	45,172.10
đ.	Capital Improvement ESB	\$	0.00
е,	Cafeteria Fund	\$	59,170.79
£.	Student Activities	\$	33,260,98

The Monthly Budget Reports and Information Reports were included in this motion and second, and were all approved unanimously.

The Single Audit Report for fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 is approved for federal financial assistance programs by motion of Mr. Martino, second of Mrs. Yakish, and unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Martino motioned to approve the adoption of the preliminary general fund budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year in the amount of \$14,629,929. The tentative supporting tax base is as follows:

Real Estate Tax	55.180 mills
Per Capita Tax	\$10.00
Earned Income Tax	5.0 mills
Local Service Tax	\$5.00
Mercantile Tax (Wholesale)	½ mill
Mercantile Tax (Retail)	¾ mill
Business Privilege Tax	¾ mill
Realty Transfer Tax	⅓ mill

This motion was seconded by Mr. Zarnich and unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mr. Martino motioned to authorize the Solicitor to advertise the Preliminary General Fund Budget for 2010 – 2011 school year with availability for public inspection in the Business Office Monday through Friday weekly from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on June 28, 2010. This was seconded by Mr. Weischedel and unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mr. Martino motioned to approve ESB Bank as the designated Depository for the 2010 - 2011 school year. This was seconded by Mrs. Yakish, and unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mr. Murtha motioned to approve Mr. John L. Martino to serve as the Rochester Area School Board Treasurer for the 2010-2011 school year. Mrs. Yakish seconded this motion, and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

TEACHERS AND PERSONNEL:

The resignation of Ms. Wendy McCandless, Elementary teacher effective June 14, 2010 was accepted with regrets by motion of Mr. Murtha, second of Mr. Weischedel, and unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Murtha motioned to grant permission to post for a third grade position for the 2010-2011 school year as per contract. Mr. Weischedel seconded this motion, and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Permission to post for Elementary and Secondary tutors for the summer program beginning June 14, 2010 was granted by motion of Mr. Murtha, second of Mr. Bauer, and unanimous roll call vote.

The resignation of Ms. Caryn Morrow as Junior Class Sponsor and Prom Coordinator effective May 31, 2010 was accepted by motion of Mr. Murtha, second of Mrs. Yakish, and unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Murtha motioned to approve ten (10) days unpaid vacation for Mrs. Linda Parise, High School Secretary for the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Bauer seconded this motion, and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

The resignation of Ms. Cindy Bozek, Nutritional Services, Effective immediately was approved by motion of Mr. Murtha, second of Mrs. Yakish, and unanimous roll call vote.

By motion of Mr. Murtha, second of Mr. Weischedel, and unanimous roll call vote, the following employees are approved to work in Nutritional Services for the summer program:

Cheryl Johnson Terri McKinnis Mary Beth Dishler

Mr. Murtha motioned to approve the resolution of the Board of School Directors of the Rochester Area School District adjusting professional staff requirements for the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Martino seconded this motion and it was approved by a 6-3 vote with Mr. Bauer, Mrs. Heim, and Mr. Kaye voting "Nay". (This furlough eliminates four teaching positions beginning with the 2010-2011 school year.)

A motion was made by Mr. Murtha to approve the resolution of the Board of School Directors of the Rochester Area School District adjusting the non-professional staff requirements for the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Martino seconded this motion and it was approved by a 7-2 vote with Mr. Bauer and Mrs. Heim voting "Nay". (This furlough eliminates six (6) Nutritional Services positions, three (3) Custodial Department positions, and one (1) Maintenance Department position.)

The graduation list, subject to completion of all necessary graduation requirements, was approved by motion of Mr. Murtha, second of Mr. Weischedel, and unanimous roll call vote.

Ms. Tina Spragg, High School Teacher, is approved to attend Advanced Placement Summer Institute in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, from August 2, 2010 through August 5, 2010, with the costs being paid by ARRA funds, by motion of Mr. Murtha, second of Mrs. Yakish, and unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Steve Proctor, High School Teacher, is approved to attend Advanced Placement Summer Institute in Portsmouth, Ohio from June 20, 2010 through June 25, 2010 with the costs being paid by ARRA funds, by motion of Mr. Murtha, second of Mr. Weischedel, and unanimous roll call vote.

Permission to post for Head Cook for the Nutritional Services effective July 1, 2010 as per contract was granted by motion of Mr. Murtha, second of Mr. Weischedel, and unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Murtha motioned to approve the following Nutritional Services employees as substitutes for the Nutritional Services summer program:

Joanie Knotts Michelle Stofen Chrystal Wahl

Mr. Martino seconded this motion, and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Mr. Murtha motioned to approve adjudication concerning a non-professional employee. This was seconded by Mrs. Yakish. The motion carried by a 6-3 vote with Mr. Bauer and Mrs. Yakish voting "Nay", and Mr. Kaye abstaining from voting.

ATHLETICS/SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

Mrs. Yakish motioned to approve the use of the Baseball field for the Rochester Colts' home games from Jay 2010 through August 2010 as long as it doesn't interfere with school use. This was seconded by Mr. Murtha, and unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

CURRICULUM:

The 2010-2011 Course of Study for the Jr./Sr. High School, as recommended by the Curriculum Committee and Administration, was approved by motion of Mr. Weischedel, second of Mrs. Yakish, and unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Weischedel motioned to approve a trip to Nashville, Tennessee for the Band, Chorus, and Art Club with the tentative dates of: March 3 through 5 or April 28 through 30, 2011. This was seconded by Mrs. Yakish and unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

BUILDING & GROUNDS; ATHLETICS/SPECIAL ACTIVITIES; TRANSPORTATION; TECHNOLOGY; POLICY AND PROCEDURES: SAFETY & SECURITY; INTERMEDIATE UNIT; BEAVER COUNTY CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTER; AND LEGISLATION:

There was no business to be conducted from the above listed committees this evening.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business for this evening, Mr. Zarnich motioned to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Mr. Weischedel seconded this motion and it was unanimously approved upon a roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Gross, Board Secretary