

**Rochester School Board**  
**Special School Board Minutes**  
June 23, 2016  
School Department Board Room #1

**Members Present:**

Mr. Matthew Pappas, Vice-Chair  
Mrs. Karen Stokes  
Mr. Thomas O'Connor  
Mrs. Audrey Stevens  
Ms. Nichole Gupta  
Mr. Travis Allen  
Mr. Robert Watson  
Ms. Julie Brown  
Mrs. Jennifer Bryant  
Mrs. Amy Malone  
Mr. Raymond Turner

**Members Absent:**

Mr. Paul Lynch  
Mr. Thomas J. Jean

**Also Present:**

Mr. Michael Hopkins, Superintendent  
Ms. Linda Casey, Business Administrator  
Ms. Marilyn Martell, Executive Secretary  
District Administrators  
Public & Press

Mr. Pappas called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on a roll call with a quorum present.

**Public Comment**

None

**Personnel**

Retirement

Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mr. Allen, the Board accept the following resignations for retirement purposes:

Pamela McAdams-Silver..... Elementary Teacher  
Sharon McManus .....Secretary  
Deborah Cooper ..... Elementary Teacher

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hopkins requested a moment of silence to honor Mrs. McAdams-Silver, who passed away yesterday for her 40 years of dedicated service to students and families and her unsurpassed courage.

Resignation

Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mrs. Stevens, the Board accept the following resignations:

Marcy Buchakjian-Tweedy ..... Para-Educator  
Emily Carroll..... Math Teacher  
Kimberly Conley ..... Human Resources Secretary  
Jill Mahan..... Guidance Counselor  
Ian McAlister..... Para-Educator  
Emily Ronda..... Para-Educator  
Jaime Sawler ..... Assistant Principal  
Elizabeth Sullivan ..... Title 1 Para-Educator  
Michael Cooper ..... Elementary Teacher  
Melinda Rousselle..... Elementary Teacher

The motion carried unanimously.

Restored Positions

Ms. Brown moved, second by Mrs. Stokes, the Board approve restoring positions previously cut from the FY 2017 Budget as presented (see attached). The motion carried unanimously.

**Contract Renewal** Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mrs. Stevens, the Board approve the following 2016-2017 contract renewals:

- Steven Nugent ..... CTE/HVAC Teacher
- Bethany Vance ..... Occupational Therapist

The motion carried unanimously.

**Nominations** Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mrs. Stevens, the Board approve the following nominations:

- Kimberly Barham ..... Special Education Teacher
- Cheryl Boulay ..... Speech Assistant
- Ryan Costa ..... Special Education Teacher
- Emily Pelletier ..... Speech Pathologist
- Gretchen Solomon ..... Mathematics Teacher
- Kaley Weeks ..... Elementary Teacher

The motion carried unanimously.

**Non-Public Session** Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mrs. Stokes, the Board enter non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, I & II (1) to discuss the promotion and/or the compensation of public employees. The roll call vote taken as follows:

YES: Mr. O’Connor, Ms. Brown, Mrs. Bryant, Ms. Guptel,  
Mr. Turner, Mrs. Malone, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Stokes,  
Mr. Allen, Mr. Watson, Mr. Pappas

NO: --

Mr. Watson recused himself from the Non-Public Session. The Board entered non-public session at 6:34 p.m.

**Public Session** Mrs. Stevens moved, second by Ms. Brown, to enter public session at 6:56 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

**Contract Ratification**

**Food Service Contract** Ms. Brown moved, second by Mrs. Stevens, the Board approve the ratification of the RFT Food Service Chapter, Local 3607 Contract; and direct the Superintendent to send the cost items to the City Council. The motion carried unanimously.

**Teachers’ Contract** Mrs. Stokes moved, second by Mr. Allen, the Board approve the ratification of the Rochester Federation of Teachers Contract; and direct the Superintendent to send the cost items to the City Council. The motion carried unanimously; with Mr. Watson abstaining.

**Adjournment** Mrs. Stokes moved, second by Ms. Brown, to adjourn. On a unanimous vote, the Board adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Michael Hopkins  
Board Secretary