

**Rochester School Board  
Special School Board Minutes  
School Department Boardroom  
October 29, 2020**

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**Members Present:**

Mr. Paul Lynch, Chair  
Mr. Matthew Pappas  
Mrs. Sarah Harrington  
Mrs. Anne Grassie  
Mr. Audrey Stevens  
Mr. Matthew Beaulieu  
Mr. Matthew Munn  
Mr. David Camire  
Mr. Robert Watson  
Mr. Nathaniel Byrne  
Mrs. Karen Stokes  
Mr. Thomas O'Connor  
Mr. Brian Nicholson (remotely)

**Members Absent:**

**Also Present:**

Mr. Kyle Repucci, Superintendent  
Dr. Sandie MacDonald  
Ms. Carrie Feyler  
Mr. Kevin Hebert  
Atty. Jerome Grossman  
Ms. Cherie Mann

Mr. Lynch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on a roll call with a quorum present.

**Public Comment**

Ms. Davis, Rochester resident and parent, spoke against going to remote learning mode for all students.

Ms. Tammy Lambert, Rochester resident, asked the Board if there was a solution for students who have to stay home and participate in remote learning but do not have internet access.

**Winter Sports Update**

Mr. Kevin Hebert, Athletic Director, gave an update on fall sports; it was very successful and student athlete participation and numbers were up across all sports.

Mr. Hebert gave an update on SHS and RMS winter sports; protocols will be more stringent as many winter sports are indoors. He is working with physicians at Wentworth Douglass Hospital and our athletic trainer on best practices. The plan is to continue offering athletic practices and games even if the district goes to a remote learning mode, provided it can be done safely.

**30 & 60 Day School Plan and Presentation**

Mr. Kyle Repucci, Superintendent, and Ms. Carrie Feyler, RFT President, reviewed and explained the "Holiday/Quarantine" plan; a 28 day remote learning model from Thanksgiving until after Martin Luther King Day that was developed in collaboration with the RFT and Administration. The plan can be found on the district web page.

Mr. Lynch moved, second by Mrs. Grassie, to accept the plan as presented. The motion carried 7-6 on a roll call vote as follows:

YES: Mrs. Stevens, Mr. Beaulieu, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Grassie, Mr. Nicholson

NO: Mr. Pappas, Mr. Munn, Mrs. Harrington, Mr. Camire, Mrs. Stokes, Mr. Watson

**Other**

Mr. Watson asked about a concern at RMS and what quarantine should mean to families. Mr. Repucci explained the quarantined person needs to stay home and have no contact with anyone outside of who they live with for 14 days; no one is allowed to test out of quarantine. Discussion ensued regarding providing resource

information for families on the schools' web pages in addition to what is already provided on the district web page.

Mr. Lynch moved, second by Mrs. Stevens, to amend the school calendar as presented, moving the March 19<sup>th</sup> Teacher Workshop day to November 23<sup>rd</sup>. The motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mrs. Harrington, to adjourn at 9:05 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle M. Repucci  
Board Secretary