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The Rootstown Local Board of Education met in Regular session at 6:00 p.m. in the Middle School Cafeteria on February 26, 2024. Present were Tom Siciliano, Jen Curall, Craig Mullaly, Amanda Waesch, Paul McEwuen, Andrew Hawkins, Superintendent, Connie Baldwin, Treasurer. Also present: David Kennedy, Robert Campbell, Eric Schlaubach, Ruthann Francis, Bob Stary, Barb Stary, Tammy Jones. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: C. Mullaly, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, P. McEwuen, J. Curall

RESOLUTION 2024-02-030
ADOPT THE AGENDA

Motion: T. Siciliano
Second: P. McEwuen
To approve the agenda

Yeas: T. Siciliano, P. McEwuen, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, A. Waesch
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

Lions' Club GOOD Award – Brett Housley and Eric Schlaubach presented the Lions' Club GOOD Award to: Paige Hensley, Emma Smith, Kendra Stout and Findlay Baughman. The students and parents were commended for the award.

Student Presentation – Ava Elizabeth Bell presented her invention to prevent vehicle theft. She has won 3rd place in a global competition for young inventors and will be presented with an award at a ceremony in Washington DC. The Board commended her for her ingenuity.

Community Comments:

Tammy Jones (3649 Industry) – Thanked the board and apologized regarding the coach who was not hired. Feels the board is just doing their job and following protocol but took the blame. She asks questions and does research because she is passionate about protecting girls and that is her motivation.

Ruthann Francis (4657 Alberta) - Feels the admin did a great job of presenting facilities options but feels the financial aspect is above people's heads. Wants everyone to understand the difference between market value and appraised value.

Treasurer's Reports/Recommendations:

RESOLUTION 2024-02-031
APPROVE FINANCIALS

Motion: P. McEwuen
Second: J. Curall
Resolution to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the following meetings:

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Approve the monthly financial reports as submitted, with the authorization for the payment of bills and appropriation modifications as necessary.

Yeas: P. McEwuen, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, A. Waesch, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-032

DONATIONS

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: A. Waesch

To approve the following donation:

\$626.00	from Rootstown Church of Hope – Women in Ministry
\$74.00	from Rootstown Church of Hope – Women in Ministry
\$100.00	from Aston Hickman
\$2,500.00	from Cleveland Browns High School Game of The Week.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, C. Mullaly, J. Curall, P. McEwuen

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-033

APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: A. Waesch

To approve the participation in the following grant with the necessary appropriations and revenue increase:

022 0000	Tournament	Increase	\$6,000.00
300 902H	Athletics	Increase	\$45,000.00
572 9224	Title I	Increase	\$732.45
590 9224	Title II	Increase	\$744.09
516 9224	IDEA Part B	Decrease	(\$7,639.95)

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, P. McEwuen, J. Curall, C. Mullaly

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-034

MEDICAID AUDIT AGREEMENT

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Motion: P. McEwuen

Second: T. Siciliano

To approve a renewal of an agreement with Rea & Associates, for the Medicaid School Program audit for 2023, 2024, & 2025. Estimated fees for each year are \$2,250.00, \$2,450.00 and \$2,650.00.

Yeas: P. McEwuen, T. Siciliano, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

Superintendent's Reports/Recommendations:

RESOLUTION 2024-02-035

RETIREMENT – BUTCHER

Motion: P. McEwuen

Second: T. Siciliano

To accept the retirement resignation of Phil Butcher, MS Science Teacher, effective May 31, 2024. The Board thanks him for his 37 years of service.

Yeas: P. McEwuen, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, J. Curall, C. Mullaly

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-036

RESIGNATION – HUNT

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: A. Waesch

To approve Board accept the resignation of Beth Hunt, Educational Aide, effective February 29, 2024. The Board thanks her for 20 years of service.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, C. Mullaly, P. McEwuen, J. Curall

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-037

RESIGNATION – SINGLETON

Motion: A. Waesch

Second: T. Siciliano

To accept the resignation of Dawn Singleton, Educational Aide, effective February 9, 2024.

Yeas: A. Waesch, T. Siciliano, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, P. McEwuen,

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

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RESOLUTION 2024-02-038
RESIGNATION – WISE

Motion: T. Siciliano
Second: A. Waesch
To Board accept the resignation of Craig Wise, MS Wrestling Coach.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, J. Curall, C. Mullaly
Nays: P. McEwuen
Motion Carried: 4 to 1

RESOLUTION 2024-02-039
LEAVE OF ABSENCE – DELONG

Motion: T. Siciliano
Second: J. Curall
To approve a leave of absence for Elizabeth Delong, Bus Driver, effective 2/28/2024.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, P. McEwuen, A. Waesch
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-040
FMLA – JONES

Motion: P. McEwuen
Second: T. Siciliano
To approve FMLA for Joyeanna Jones, Director of Student Services, effective February 5, 2024.

Yeas: P. McEwuen, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, C. Mullaly, J. Curall
Nays: None
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-041
2ND POLICY READING

Motion: T. Siciliano
Second: A. Waesch
To approve the 2nd reading and adopt the following policies:

3120.08	Employment of Personnel for Co-Curricular/ Revised Extra-Curricular Activities	
4120.08	Employment of Personnel for Co-Curricular/ Revised Extra-Curricular Activities	
5460	Graduation Requirements	Revised
8120	Volunteers	Revised

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Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, P. McEwuen

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-042
APPROVE SUBSTITUTES

Motion: P. McEwuen

Second: T. Siciliano

To approve the following substitutes:

Tammy Shultz	Substitute Bus Driver and Substitute Custodian, effective January 25, 2024.
Summer Stanley	Substitute Educational Aide, Library Aide & Monitor
James Connolly	Substitute Teacher
Makenna Summer	Substitute Teacher
Kimberly Sharrock	Substitute Secretary

Yeas: P. McEwuen, T. Siciliano, C. Mullaly, J. Curall, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-043
APPROVE SUPPLEMENTALS

Motion: A. Waesch

Second: T. Siciliano

To approve the following supplementals:

Kasidy Smith	HS Asst. Track Coach
James Gerren	HS Asst. Baseball Coach
Taylor Shepherd	HS Asst. Softball Coach
Emily Pierson	HS Asst. Softball Coach
Katie Christy	MS Track Coach
Jasmine Kemp	MS Track Coach
Nick Spicer	MS Track Coach
Matt Collins	Volunteer Baseball Coach

Yeas: A. Waesch, T. Siciliano, P. McEwuen, J. Curall, C. Mullaly

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

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SALARY SCHEDULE MOVEMENT

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: A. Waesch

To approve the following employees for movement on the salary schedule due to college credits:

Kyle Barkhurst	M8 to M20
Ryan Conroy	M to M20
Blaine Kelsey	B to B8
Marina Nelson	B to B8
Kyle Rodstrom	M8 to M20

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, C. Mullaly, J. Curall, P. McEwuen

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-045
APPROVE CBIP PROGRAM

Motion: J. Curall

Second: T. Siciliano

To approve the following students to be paid through the CBIP program in the High School:

Malek Omar

Nicholas Malek

Yeas: J. Curall, T. Siciliano, P. McEwuen, C. Mullaly, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-046
HIRE – BIGGIN

Motion: P. McEwuen

Second: T. Siciliano

To hire Addison Biggin as an Athletic Worker for the 2023-2024 school year, at a rate of \$10.00 per hour.

Yeas: P. McEwuen T. Siciliano, C. Mullaly, J. Curall, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-047
MIDDLE SCHOOL COURSE CATALOG

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: A. Waesch

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To approve the 2024-2025 Middle School Course Selection Catalog.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, P. McEwuen, J. Curall, C. Mullaly

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-048
APPROVE STUDENT TEACHER HOSTS

Motion: P. McEwuen

Second: A. Waesch

To approve the following teachers to be compensated for hosting a student teacher during the 2023-2024 school year:

Angela Stackpole	Kent State University	\$375.00
Paige Byers	Kent State University	\$375.00

Yeas: P. McEwuen, A. Waesch, C. Mullaly, J. Curall, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-049
APPROVE OHIOPYLE PRINT

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: A. Waesch

To approve an agreement with Ohiopyle Print, Inc., to use the school name mascot and logo for marketing, manufacturing and distribution of apparel and accessories sold to retailers and consumers.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, P. McEwuen

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2024-02-050
APPROVE READING IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: P. McEwuen

To approve the District's Reading Improvement Plan for the 2023-2024 school year.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, P. McEwuen, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

REPORTS:

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A. Hawkins reported on the facilities meetings and update on naming the softball field after Dave Mullenix.

The principals and curriculum director reported on building and curriculum activities.

Old Business:

N/A

New Business:

Auditor of State Award – C. Baldwin reported the district again received the Auditor of State Award for excellence in financial reporting. The district has received the award each year since the inception of the program. It is the highest accounting award the district is qualified to receive.

J. Curall reported the 8th grade visitation to 9th grade is great. However, parents are asking to receive the course catalog in advance so they don't have to make decisions that night.

T. Siciliano stated the Board needs to complete evaluations for the Superintendent and Treasurer.

C. Mullaly asked about the sports conference since Southeast is leaving next year. A. Hawkins responded the district has looked at Mahoning but there are no current openings. Continue to have conversations about this.

J. Curall remarked the classroom presence on social media has been great.

RESOLUTION 2024-02-051

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: P. McEwuen

To adjourn the meeting at 6:38.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, P. McEwuen, A. Waesch, J. Curall, C. Mullaly

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

Craig Mullaly, President

Connie Baldwin-Guinto, Treasurer