

**FARNSWORTH TECHNOLOGY CENTER
2072 CURRY ROAD
SCHENECTADY, NY 12303**

**MARCH 6, 2017
EXECUTIVE SESSION 6:00 – 7:00 PM
BOARD MEETING 7:00 PM**

**AGENDA
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**Proposed Executive Session at 6:00 PM for the purpose of discussing portfolio reviews*

- A. Call to Order
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call
- D. Communications
 - 1. Superintendent
 - a. Budget Update and General Support (Operations & Maintenance, Transportation)
 - 2. Student Representatives
 - 3. Board of Education
 - 4. Public (Privilege of the Floor)
- E. Old Business
 - 1. Request for Approval of Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policies
- F. New Business
 - Instructional
 - 1. Request for Approval and Arrangement for the Committee on Special Education Recommendations and Student Placements and Committee on Pre-School Special Education
 - 2. Request Approval for High School Select Choir Field Trip to New York City on Saturday, June 17, 2017
 - Business/Personnel
 - 1. Request Approval of the nomination of Mrs. Nancy del Prado as a Board member of Capital Region BOCES
 - 2. Request Approval of Applications for Corrected Tax Roll for the Years 2014, 2015, and 2016, Pursuant to Sect. 550, Real Property Tax Law
 - 3. Request Approval for Tax Refund – RBS Citizens, N.A.
 - 4. Request Approval of Contract with Educational Data Services
- G. Other Items
 - 1. Approval of Minutes (February 27, 2017)
 - 2. Bids/Change Orders
 - 1. Request for Approval of Tri-Valley Plumbing & Heating, Inc. Change Orders
 - 2. Request for Approval of T. McElligot, Inc. Change Orders
 - 3. Request for Approval of Plank Construction Co. Change Orders
 - 4. Request for Approval of Sam Greco Construction, Inc. Change Orders
 - 5. Request for Approval of Kasselmann Electric Co. Change Orders

6. Request for Approval of Bunkoff General Contractors, Inc. Change Orders
 7. Request for Approval of Tri-Valley Plumbing & Heating, Inc. Change Orders
 8. Request for Approval of A.E. Rosen Electric Co., Inc. Change Orders
3. Personnel

H. Proposed Executive Session

- 1) Contract Negotiations

I. Adjournment

ROTTERDAM MOHONASEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

F. INSTRUCTION I

Date: 03/06/17

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Kathleen A Spring, Ph. D., Superintendent

SUBJECT: Request for Approval and Arrangement for the Committee on Special Education Recommendations and Student Placements and Committee on Pre-School Special Education

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Procedures and definitions pertaining to Special Education are embodied under Part 200 of Commissioners' Regulations and Article 89 of New York Education Law. They mandate that Boards of Education provide appropriate education programs and services for pupils with handicapping conditions upon receipt of recommendations and student placements from the Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) on 02/08/17, 02/10/17, 02/13/17, 02/15/17,02/27/17.

EVALUATION/ANALYSIS

5583206	5579657	5583670	5582666	5583702	5583724
5580871	5581053	5580480	005579655	5580433	5582489
5582722	005580236	5583070	5581171	5580972	5581480
5581581	5583206	005578838	5579425	005578678	5580979
005579298	5579057	5581560	5581199	5578056	5582987
5578757	5578686	5580710	005578002	5581215	5581461
5581833	5578118	005578967	005579320	5582252	005579931
558113					

All students are residents of Mohonasen Central School district; all parents are in agreement with the recommendations, and all recommendations are for the least restrictive environment based on students' educational needs. All mandated members were present at the CSE and CPSE meetings.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve and arrange for the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Pre-School Special Education on 02/08/17, 02/10/17, 02/13/17, 02/15/17,02/27/17.

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Attachment

ROTTERDAM-MOHONASEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

F. INSTRUCTION #2

MARCH 6, 2017

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Kathleen A. Spring, Ph.D., Superintendent

SUBJECT: Request Approval for High School Select Choir Field Trip to New York City on Saturday, June 17, 2017

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The adopted district goals speak to the need to provide students with innovative and effective instructional opportunities, as well as a wide array of quality extra-curricular activities and programs. To that end, there has been a concerted effort by clubs and advisors to plan and organize trips that will provide students true immersion opportunities that correlate and are consistent with learning standards and curriculum content.

ANALYSIS/EVALUATION

The high school principal is requesting Board of Education approval for the High School Select Choir to participate in a field trip to New York City on Saturday, June 17, 2017. Students will depart from the high school at 6:30 a.m. and return at approximately 8:00 p.m. Approximately 40 select choir members, 10 parent chaperones, and 2 teachers will be participating in this trip. Students will participate in a 90-minute theater workshop at a studio in the city. During this private session, they will work as a group to recreate a song/dance number from the Broadway show, *Phantom of the Opera*, which they will be attending. The workshop session will be run by professional performers from the show. Following the workshop, students will break into chaperoned groups and enjoy lunch at Ellen's Stardust Diner. After lunch, students will watch the matinee performance of the revival of *Phantom of the Opera!* Transportation is arranged through coach transportation. Cost per student will be \$144 which includes the workshop, transportation, show ticket, and lunch.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve the request for the High School Select Choir to participate in a field trip to New York City on Saturday, June 17, 2017.

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ROTTERDAM-MOHONASEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

F. BUSINESS/PERSONNEL #1

MARCH 6, 2017

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Kathleen A. Spring, Ph.D., Superintendent

SUBJECT: Request Approval of the nomination of Mrs. Nancy del Prado as a Board member of Capital Region BOCES

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Capital Region BOCES Board is comprised of members from component school districts within the BOCES region. Members are nominated and elected by component school districts to fill three year terms when seats open.

EVALUATION/ANALYSIS

The Mohonasen Board of Education would like to nominate Mrs. Nancy del Prado to fill the available BOCES seat.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve the nomination of Mrs. Nancy del Prado to serve a three year term as a Capital Region BOCES Board member for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

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ROTTERDAM-MOHONASEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

F. BUSINESS/PERSONNEL #2

MARCH 6, 2017

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Kathleen A. Spring, Ph.D., Superintendent

SUBJECT: Request Approval of Applications for Corrected Tax Roll for the Years 2014, 2015, and 2016, Pursuant to Sect. 550, Real Property Tax Law

B BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The District has received official notification that assessment roll corrections need to be made due to clerical errors by the assessor, pursuant to Sect. 550 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law.

EVALUATION/ANALYSIS

With the mailing of school tax bills in many jurisdictions, errors are often discovered. Upon the discovery of errors and given that the property in question is entitled to receive the exemption, an Application for Corrected Tax Roll RP-556 must be completed and duly approved by the respective taxing jurisdictions – in these instances Schenectady County and the Rotterdam-Mohonasen Central School District.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve the Application for Corrected Tax Roll Pursuant to below mentioned error Sec. 550(7)(a), RPTL from the following property tax owners in the stated amounts for the years 2014, 2015, and 2016.

Owner/S/B/L	Amt. of Taxes Billed/Paid	Corrected Tax/Reason	Amount of Refund
Heather Buzzo Applicant 58.16-9-10			
Year 2014:	\$4,170.71 Paid	\$3,682.71 Correct Amount (Clerical error)	\$488.00
Year 2015:	\$4,227.25 Paid	\$3,729.25 Correct Amount (Clerical error)	\$498.00
Year 2016:	\$4,116.05 Paid	\$3,608.05 Correct Amount (Clerical error)	\$508.00

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ROTTERDAM-MOHONASEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

F. BUSINESS/PERSONNEL #3

MARCH 6, 2017

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Kathleen A. Spring, Ph.D., Superintendent
SUBJECT: Request Approval for Tax Refund – RBS Citizens, N.A.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The district has received a stipulation of settlement regarding property owned by RBS Citizens, N.A.

EVALUATION/ANALYSIS

RBS Citizens, N.A., filed an appeal for review of their assessment for tax years 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015. The stipulation proposes a settlement of the case that reduces the assessed value for all years. The current assessment is \$845,000.00 and the stipulation is to reduce to \$692,000, a total reduction of \$153,000 per year. These reductions would result in a total refund of \$10,187.14.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education authorize the change in assessment for tax years 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 to \$692,000.

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ROTTERDAM-MOHONASEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

F. BUSINESS/PERSONNEL #4

MARCH 6, 2017

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Kathleen A. Spring, Ph.D., Superintendent

SUBJECT: Request Approval of Contract with Educational Data Services

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

General Municipal Law allows for school districts to purchase items through cooperative purchasing groups. Cooperative purchasing groups offer more purchasing power than individual districts and thus are able to receive larger discounts on products.

EVALUATION/ANALYSIS

After researching cooperative purchasing groups, Rotterdam-Mohonasen Central School District has determined entering into a cooperative bid with Clarkstown Central School District as the lead agency will be the most efficient use of district resources. Educational Data Services, Inc. will serve as the Administrative Agent for the purchasing group. This service will include coordinating the bids, listing low bids of items by vendor, and a summary of bids by both vendor and school location. In addition, Educational Data Services will provide proprietary software to facilitate the purchasing of cooperatively bid items. The cost of this service with Educational Data Services is \$11,500 for the 2017-18 school year.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education authorize to continue the agreement with Educational Data Services for the 2017-18 school year at a price of \$11,500.

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ROTTERDAM-MOHONASEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

G3. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

MARCH 6, 2017

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Kathleen A. Spring, Ph.D., Superintendent
SUBJECT: Personnel Recommendations

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The attached document represents personnel recommendations for the District, which have been processed through appropriate departments and brought forward by the Superintendent.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approves the attached personnel recommendations:

- A. Retirements**
- B. Appointments**
- C. Rescind Appointments**
- D. Removal from Service**

A. Retirements

Harry Mulyca
Assignment: Custodian
Effective Date: Close of business April 28, 2017

B. Appointments

Kristy Hood
Appointment: Long-Term Substitute
Assignment: Elementary Education
Date of Commencement: February 27, 2017
Expiration Date: Close of business TBD
Certification Status: Pre-K, K, Gr. 1-6, Permanent
Salary: Step 3 plus graduate credits, pro-rated

Jason Thompson
Appointment: Probationary
Assignment: K-12 Principal
Date of Commencement: March 17, 2017 *(amended from the February 27, 2017 agenda)*
Expiration Date: Close of business March 16, 2021
Certification Status: School District Leader, Professional; School Building Leader, Professional; Pre-K, K and Gr.1-6, Permanent
Salary: \$90,000 pro-rated

Debra Brown
Assignment: Home Tutor
Effective Date: March 2, 2017
Salary: \$25.00/hour

Fall Coaches - 2017

Position	Coach	Step
Boys' Varsity Soccer	Roberto Sgueglia	Step 2

Volunteer Coach – Spring 2017

James Dilbone	Baseball
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C. Rescind Appointment

Appeared on the February 27, 2017 agenda:

Carly Galvin
Assignment: P/T Teaching Assistant (6 hours)
Effective Date: March 13, 2017 – June 30, 2017
Salary: Step 4

D. Removal from Service

Danielle Cross

Assignment:

Home Tutor

Effective Date:

Close of business March 13, 2017