

**ROCKLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS**

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING,
MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021 at 6:30 PM
WRPS STUDIO**

TOWN CLERK, ROCKLAND
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The School Committee met on Monday, April 12, 2021, at 6:30 PM in the WRPS Studio. Committee members present were: Mr. Biggins, Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Maroney, Mrs. Hennessy and Dr. Mauro-Small. Also present were Superintendent Cron and Mrs. Lamb.

Dr. Harrison, Principal of Rockland High School; Mrs. Clark, REA Representative; Mrs. Nourse, System Operator and citizens broadcasting for WRPS/TV were in the audience.

Ms. Hackett was absent.

Mrs. Maroney asked that the School Committee meeting be opened and asked that nominations be opened for Chairman. Mrs. Maroney nominated Mr. Biggins, Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mr. Biggins was elected Chairman by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins asked that nominations be opened for Vice-Chairman. Mr. Biggins nominated Mrs. Mahoney. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mrs. Maroney was elected Vice-Chairman by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins asked that nominations be opened for Secretary. Mr. Biggins nominated Mrs. Davidson. Mrs. Hennessy seconded the motion. Mrs. Davidson was elected Secretary by unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. Hennessy for the Sick Leave Committee. Dr. Mauro-Small seconded the motion. Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. Hennessy were elected to the Sick Leave Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Dr. Mauro-Small for the Wellness Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Dr. Mauro-Small was elected to the Wellness Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Dr. Mauro-Small and Mr. Biggins to the Alcohol/Drug Violation Sub-Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Dr. Mauro-Small and Mr. Biggins were elected to the Alcohol/Drug Violation Sub-Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Mr. Biggins for the Athletic Department Liaison. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mr. Biggins was elected to the Athletic Department Liaison by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Mr. Biggins for the Fiscal Policy Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mr. Biggins was elected to the Fiscal Policy Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Dr. Mauro-Small and Mrs. Davidson for the WRPS/TV Community Broadcasting Liaison Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Dr. Mauro-Small and Mrs. Davidson were elected to the WRPS/TV Community Broadcasting Liaison Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Mr. Biggins for Early Graduation. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mr. Biggins was elected to the Early Graduation by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Mrs. Hennessy for the Cable Advisory Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mrs. Hennessy was elected to the Cable Advisory Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Mr. Biggins for the Budget Sub-Committee Chairman. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mr. Biggins was elected to the Budget Sub-Committee Chairman by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. Hennessy for the Energy Sub-Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. Hennessy were elected to the Energy Sub-Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Mrs. Maroney and Mrs. Davidson for the Secretaries Bargaining Sub-Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mrs. Maroney and Mrs. Davidson were elected to the Secretaries Bargaining Sub-Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Mrs. Hennessy and Mrs. Maroney for the Teachers Collective Bargaining Sub-Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mrs. Hennessy and Mrs. Maroney were elected to the Teachers Collective Bargaining Sub-Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Dr. Mauro-Small and Mrs. Hennessy for the Custodians Collective Bargaining Sub-Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Dr. Mauro-Small and Mrs. Hennessy were elected to the Sick Leave Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Mrs. Davidson and Mr. Biggins for the Cafeteria Personnel Collective Bargaining Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mrs. Davidson and Mr. Biggins were elected to the Cafeteria Personnel Collective Bargaining Sub-Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Dr. Mauro-Small and Mrs. Hennessy for the Paraprofessional Collective Bargaining Sub-Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Dr. Mauro-Small and Mrs. Hennessy were elected to the Paraprofessional Collective Bargaining Sub-Committee by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Biggins nominated Mr. Biggins and Mrs. Maroney for the Daycare Collective Bargaining Sub-Committee. Mrs. Davidson seconded the motion. Mr. Biggins and Mrs. Maroney were elected to the Daycare Collective Bargaining Sub-Committee.

On a motion by Mr. Biggins, seconded by Mrs. Davidson, unanimous, the use of Robert's Rules of Order was accepted.

On the motion by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Mrs. Davidson, it was voted to accept the minutes of the meeting of March 22, 2021. Dr. Mauro-Small abstained.

Dr. Cron congratulated the committee members Mr. Biggins, Mrs. Maroney and Dr. Mauro-Small that were elected. He thanked Mr. Mills for his service to the Rockland School Community. Mr. Mills will be missed. Superintendent Cron had two conversations with Senator Keenan regarding Rockland's Chapter 70 money. Enrollment is down 3.5% therefore the Chapter 70 money went from \$1.6 million to \$680,000. More money is coming from the ESSA 3 federal funds. Congratulations to Linda Maniglia for her Students Services review by the DESE.

Dr. Harrison updated the Committee on the Prom. The Department of Education recommends having no Prom. There will be no pre-prom pictures or after parties. Outside guests must have a negative test three days prior to the event. Guest list will be provided to the Board of Health for contract tracing. Large tent will be in the parking lot for the Prom. They will use masks, and have no senior march.

On a motion by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Mrs. Davidon, unanimous, the plan to have the senior prom was approved.

On two motions by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Mrs. Davidson, unanimous, the following March Monthly Reports were approved:

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| 1) Administrators | Dr. Harrison, Ms. Bohn, Ms. Smith
Mrs. Scheufele, Mrs. Sheehan |
| 2) Guidance | Mrs. Black |
| 3) Nurse | Mrs. Ryan |
| 4) Pupil Personnel Services | Dr. Maniglia |

The following April Newsletters were noted:

- 1) Esten
- 2) Jefferson
- 3) Memorial Park
- 4) Middle School
- 5) High School

Dr. Cron updated the Committee on the School Building Project. Construction was underway last week. We have had two bid protests. Brait Building Contractors is our General Contractor. The Superintendent is confident that with PMA and Town Counsel that we will be fine with the bid protests.

On a motion by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Mrs. Davidson, unanimous, the 2021-2022 School Calendar was approved.

On a motion by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Mrs. Davidson, unanimous, the Senior Activities were approved.

On the recommendation of Superintendent Cron, on a motion by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Mrs. Davidson, unanimous, the School Choice was approved for the 2021-2022 School Year.

Public service announcements included: Countdown for April vacation; Thank you to Mr. Mills for serving 18 years on the School Committee; elementary students are back full in-person and thank you to the staff; Wishing the best for Rogers Middle School and Rockland High School who will be returning full in-person on April 26th; Mrs. Maroney is excited to be serving on a second term of the School Committee; Congratulations to the elected School Committee members and looking forward to working with the new member.

The Chairman polled the committee to retire into executive session not to reconvene into open session. Mrs. Hennessy, Dr. Mauro-Small, Mrs. Maroney, Mrs. Davidson and Mr. Biggins all were in favor.

On a motion by Dr. Mauro-Small, seconded by Mrs. Davidson, unanimous, the meeting adjourned at 7:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Emily P. Davidson
Secretary

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 7:16 PM. After a poll vote, it was unanimous to move into executive session. Present were Mr. Biggins, Mrs. Maroney, Mrs. Davidson, Mrs. Hennessy, Dr. Mauro-Small and Superintendent Cron.

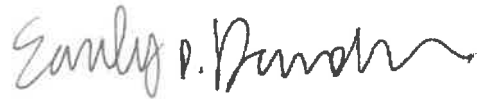
A personnel issue at daycare was discussed.

Jane Hackett will have a title change.

The chairman asked for a roll call vote with Mrs. Hennessy, Dr. Mauro-Small, Mrs. Maroney, Mrs. Davidson and Mr. Biggins voting in favor.

The Chairman polled the committee, unanimous, the meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Emily P. Davidson
Secretary