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Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District

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The Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, met in Committee Session on April 8, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. On-line. A digital recording was made of this meeting and is on file in the Office of the Treasurer.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda item. In accordance with Bylaw 0169.1: Public Participation at Board Meetings - If a member of the public wishes to submit a question or comment as part of Oral and Written Communications, during the electronic meeting, please type the question or comment into the electronic question box. Thank you.

**Indicates items added to the agenda after 3:00 PM on the Friday prior to the Board Meeting.*

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT - Ms. Beach, Dr. Fancher, Ms. Goepfert, Ms. Leitch, Ms. Olander

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Waived due to online meeting format

Dr. Fancher commenced the meeting with a statement and questions regarding housekeeping items for the online meeting format to proceed, including the legal authority to conduct an online meeting of the Board of Education.

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

Resolution No. 71-20

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that it hereby adopts this Agenda for the April 8, 2020 meeting.

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Moved
Diana Leitch	Second
Addie Olander	Aye

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

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RESOLUTION SUSPENDING REQUIREMENT FOR IN-PERSON MEETINGS UNDER BOARD BYLAWS

On the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and in light of provisions set forth in Amended Substitute House Bill 197 signed by Governor Mike DeWine on March 27, 2020 permitting electronic meetings of public bodies in Ohio, the Rocky River City School District Board of Education hereby: (a) suspends operation of Bylaw 0100's definition of Voting and Bylaws 0166 and 0167 to the extent that they require a board member's physical presence at a meeting to vote and Bylaw 0162 to the extent that it requires physical presence for the purposes of a quorum; (b) determines that this suspension shall take effect immediately to cover the entirety of this meeting from commencement to adjournment, action taken in this resolution, and all action taken during this meeting prior to the passage of this resolution; (c) finds that there are compelling reasons to adopt this suspension; and (d) directs that all other portions of Bylaws 0100, 0162, 0166, and 0167 shall remain in full force and effect.

Resolution No. 72-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Moved
Diana Leitch	Second
Addie Olander	Aye

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

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1. Committee and Representative Reports

a. Curriculum

Ms. Beach

i. Report

Ms. Anderson provided an update on Instruction and Technology.

b. Finance

Ms. Leitch

i. PI Projects - Financing discussion and possible postponement of certain projects

a. *Key Government Finance Proposal

ii. Financial Update - Greg Markus, Treasurer

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- iii. Report
- c. **Policy and Legislation** Ms. Goepfert
 - i. Report
- d. **Facilities** Dr. Fancher.
 - i. Report
Mr. Gifford provided an update
- e. **School Community** Ms. Olander
 - i. Report

REVIEW OF AGENDA FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING TO BE HELD ON APRIL 23, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District hereby adjourns to Executive Session to discuss personnel matters involving appointment and/or employment, and compensation at 6:18 p.m.

Resolution No. 73-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Moved
Diana Leitch	Second
Addie Olander	Aye

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

**RESOLUTION TO RECONVENE TO THE COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING.
AT 6:59 P.M.**

Resolution No. 74-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Aye
Diana Leitch	Second
Addie Olander	Moved

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. Shoaf – The Washington DC trip for the 8th Graders will be cancelled in order to provide parents with a maximum refund.

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN

Resolution No. 75-20


BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that it hereby adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Moved
Diana Leitch	Absent
Addie Olander	Goepfert

Ms. Leitch was disconnected from the virtual meeting prior to the resolution to adjourn.

The resolution was adopted 4 – 1.

President 

Treasurer 

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The Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, met in Regular Session on April 23, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. On-Line. A video recording was made of this meeting and is on file in the Office of the Treasurer.

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CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT – Ms. Beach, Dr. Fancher, Ms. Goepfert, Ms. Leitch, Ms. Olander

Dr. Fancher commenced the meeting with a statement and questions regarding housekeeping items for the online meeting format to proceed, including the legal authority to conduct an online meeting of the Board of Education.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

Resolution No. 76-20

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that it hereby adopts this Agenda, for the April 23, 2020 meeting.

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Aye
Diana Leitch	Aye
Addie Olander	Aye

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

RESOLUTION SUSPENDING REQUIREMENT FOR IN-PERSON MEETINGS UNDER BOARD BYLAWS

On the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and in light of provisions set forth in Amended Substitute House Bill 197 signed by Governor Mike DeWine on March 27, 2020 permitting electronic meetings of public bodies in Ohio, the Rocky River City School District Board of Education hereby: (a) suspends operation of Bylaw 0100's definition of Voting and Bylaws 0166 and 0167 to the extent that they require a board member's physical presence at a meeting to vote and Bylaw 0162 to the extent that it requires physical presence for the purposes of a quorum; (b) determines that this suspension shall take effect immediately to cover the entirety of this meeting from commencement to adjournment, action taken in this

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resolution, and all action taken during this meeting prior to the passage of this resolution; (c) finds that there are compelling reasons to adopt this suspension; and (d) directs that all other portions of Bylaws 0100, 0162, 0166, and 0167 shall remain in full force and effect.

Resolution No. 77-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Second
Diana Leitch	Aye
Addie Olander	Move

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District hereby adjourns to Executive Session to discuss personnel matters involving appointment and/or employment, and compensation at 5:08 p.m.

Resolution No. 78-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Moved
Diana Leitch	Aye
Addie Olander	Second

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

RESOLUTION TO RECONVENE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING at 5:49 p.m.

Resolution No. 79-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Moved
Diana Leitch	Aye
Addie Olander	Second

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

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- a. Superintendent's Update

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS

Resolution No. 80-20

- a. Board of Education Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting, March 11, 2020
- b. Board of Education Meeting, March 16, 2020 with corrections to change location of the March 16, 2020 meeting from the Fireside Room to the Professional Development Center and to correct the vote cast by Dr. Fancher on the February 20, 2020 Minutes approval

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Move
Diana Leitch	Second
Addie Olander	Aye

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

Committee and Representative Reports

- a. **Finance Committee** - Ms. Leitch
 - Mr. Markus, Treasurer, reviewed month and fiscal year-to-date financial reports and provided a summary of current financial concerns facing the District in relation to the economic effects of the current pandemic. He indicated that the five year forecast update due in May will be difficult due to the economic unknowns, including state budget cuts that are expected as well as the uncertain effect on property tax collections starting in July 2020.
- b. **Policy & Legislation** - Ms. Goepfert
- c. **School Community** - Ms. Olander

TREASURER'S REPORT

Resolution No. 81-20

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND INTRAFUND TRANSFERS FOR GENERAL ACCOUNTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$148,006.22 FOR MARCH 2020 (EXHIBIT A)

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Second
Diana Leitch	Move
Addie Olander	Aye

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

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RESOLUTION TO AMEND APPROPRIATION FOR ALL FUNDS AS OF MARCH 31, 2020 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$52,754,177 (EXHIBIT B)

Resolution No. 81.1-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Second
Diana Leitch	Move
Addie Olander	Aye

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

*RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE IMPACT GROUP FOR VIRTUAL GRADUATION VIDEO (EXHIBIT C)

Resolution No. 81.2-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Second
Diana Leitch	Aye
Addie Olander	Move

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

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RESOLUTION TO APPROVE APPOINTMENTS¹

Resolution No. 82-20

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that the following appointments be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Classification</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>
Jack Armstrong	Teacher, 1.0 FTE	8/25/2020	BA, Step 3
Joelle Honroth	Teacher, 1.0 FTE	8/25/2020	MA+9, Step 8
Danielle Stuhr	Tutor, .93 FTE	8/25/2020	PR D, Step 10
Jody Zellers	Teacher, 1.0 FTE	8/25/2020	BA, Step 7

- Employment conditional upon receipt of a negative drug test screening & a satisfactory criminal reference check.*
- For any supplemental contract initially awarded to a non-licensed person by this resolution, the Board made such position(s) available to licensed employees of the District, but no qualified licensed employee of the District expressed interest in the position(s); and further the Board advertised the position(s) to qualified licensed personnel outside of the District, but no qualified licensed personnel outside of the District expressed interest in the position(s).*
- Volunteer participation conditional until receipt of completed District Volunteer form, negative drug screen and satisfactory criminal background check.*

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Second
Diana Leitch	Aye
Addie Olander	Move

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

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RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ADJUSTMENTS IN SALARY, ASSIGNMENT AND RATE OF PAY

Resolution No. 82.1-20

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that the following adjustments in salary, assignment and rate of pay be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Adjusted Rate of Pay</u>
Jenna Bilyk	From: Teacher, .50 FTE / Tutor, .50 FTE To: Teacher, 1.0 FTE	8/25/2020	MA+9, Step 6
Megan Kleinert	From: Long Term Replacement Teacher, 1.0 FTE To: Teacher, 1.0 FTE	8/25/2020	BA+18, Step 8
Shenequa Lee	From: Educational Aide, .80 FTE To: Tutor, .93 FTE	8/25/2020	PR C, Step 1
Sarah McGeehen	From: Tutor, .93 FTE To: Teacher, 1.0 FTE	8/25/2020	MA, Step 8
Daina Thomas	From: Tutor, .93 FTE To: Tutor, .50 FTE / Teacher, .50 FTE	8/25/2020	PR C, Step 3 BA, Step 3
Sarah Tolson	From: Tutor, .94 FTE To: Teacher, 1.0 FTE	8/25/2020	BA, Step 2
Giovanna Ziemann	From: Educational Aide, .80 FTE To: Tutor, .93 FTE	8/25/2020	PR C, Step 5

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Aye
Diana Leitch	Second
Addie Olander	Move

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

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*RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE DISTANCE LEARNING (EXHIBIT D)

Resolution No. 82.2-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Second
Diana Leitch	Aye
Addie Olander	Move

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

*** ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, the Rocky River City School District Board of Education hereby approves a separation agreement with Adam Sywanyk that calls for the abolishment of his position for financial reasons effective June 18, 2020 and includes various related terms and conditions, a copy of which is attached hereto; authorizes the Board President and Treasurer to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board; and directs the Board President and Treasurer to take such other actions as may be necessary to implement the terms of the agreement. (EXHIBIT E)**

Resolution No. 82.3-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Move
Diana Leitch	Goepfert
Addie Olander	Aye

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

ESOLUTION TO APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH OAPSE LOCAL #381 (EXHIBIT F)

Resolution No. 82.4-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Second
Diana Leitch	Aye
Addie Olander	Move

The resolution was adopted 5 – 0.

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RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EARLY GRADUATE (EXHIBIT G)

Resolution No. 82.5-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Aye
Diana Leitch	Second
Addie Olander	Move

The resolution was adopted 5-0.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION (EXHIBIT H)

Resolution No. 82.6-20

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Second
Diana Leitch	Aye
Addie Olander	Move

The resolution was adopted 5-0.

OTHER BUSINESS – Mr. Gifford – Senior Class Banners

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN

Resolution No. 83-20


BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Rocky River City School District that it hereby adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Board Member	Vote
Ruth Beach	Aye
Jon Fancher	Aye
Kathy Goepfert	Move
Diana Leitch	Second
Addie Olander	Aye

The resolution was adopted 5-0.



 President



 Treasurer