

**ROCKLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS
MONDAY, March 13, 2023, 6:30 PM**

The David Cable-Murphy Studio

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The School Committee met on Monday, March 13, 2023, at 6:30 PM in the David Cable-Murphy Studio. The committee members were Mrs. Maroney, Mrs. Davidson, Dr. Mauro-Small, Mrs. Ranstrom, and Mrs. Hennessy. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Cron, Assistant Superintendent Ms. Hackett, Student Representative Ava Hagen, REA Representative Mrs. Scopoletti-Howe, and Mrs. Nourse.

Pledge of Allegiance.

On the motion by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Dr. Mauro-Small, unanimously, the minutes of February 27, 2023 were approved. Mrs. Davidson abstained from the vote.

On four motions by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Dr. Mauro-Small, unanimous, the monthly February Reports were approved:

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

The February Newsletters were noted:

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

Personnel Report was noted.

Phelps update by Dr. Cron. The punch list is shrinking, and as soon as there is a date for the demolition of Memorial Park, we will let the public know. They are working on the softball field to be ready for the season.

RHS SGC Winter Formal Fundraiser raised \$702.85

RHS SGC Snowman Fundraiser raised \$53.00

RHS SGC Lollipops Fundraiser raised \$102.00

On one motion by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Dr. Mauro-Small, unanimously, the two fundraisers were approved.

On the motion by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Dr. Mauro-Small, unanimously, The High School Graduation Procedure & Parent Packet Class of 2023 was approved.

Policy Updates first reading. The second reading for approval will be on March 27, 2023.

On the motion by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Dr. Mauro-Small, unanimously, The School Choice Program for the 2023-2024 school year was approved.

The 2023-2024 School Calendar's first reading. The second reading for approval will be on March 27, 2023.

2023-2024 start times were announced.

Phelps Elementary	Morning Bell	Afternoon Bell
Students	7:30	2:00
½ day	7:30	10:45
High School/MS		
Students	8:10	2:40
½ day	8:10	11:25
Esten Early Childhood		
Kindergarten students	8:45	3:15
Kindergarten ½ day	8:45	12:00
PreK and Preschool ½ day AM	9:25	11:55
PreK and Preschool ½ day PM	12:35	3:05
PreK and Preschool Full day	9:25	3:05

Ms. Hackett spoke about the FY24 Budget with a presentation with the following slides.

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	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	% change FY20-FY24
Total Enrollment	2278	2326	2251	2187	2213	-2.85%
English Learners	146	189	179	196	247	69.18%
Econ Disad	868	942	1010	1084	1159	33.53%
Chapter 70	\$13,843,000.00	\$14,728,597.00	\$ 14,800,061.00	\$16,354,908.00	\$18,357,536.00	32.61%
Town Appropriation	\$25,857,226.00	\$26,211,324.00	\$ 26,338,219.00	\$27,933,362.00	\$29,806,893.00	15.27%

Revenue	FY23	FY24 Original	FY24 projected
Town Meeting	\$ 27,933,362.00	\$ 29,330,030.00	\$ 29,806,893.00
Recurring Grants	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00
Relief Grants	\$ 1,380,000.00	\$ 750,000.00	\$ 750,000.00
Circuit Breaker	\$ 1,100,902.00	\$ 1,250,000.00	\$ 1,500,000.00
Revolving	\$ 1,003,976.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00
Total Revenue	\$ 32,418,240.00	\$ 33,330,030.00	\$ 34,056,893.00
Expense Budget	FY23	FY24 Original	FY24 Proposed
Salaries 1	\$ 25,873,819.00	\$ 26,716,890.38	\$ 26,258,058.79
Salary 2 (extra curr)	\$ 699,500.00	\$ 734,475.00	\$ 734,475.00
Subs	\$ 205,000.00	\$ 215,250.00	\$ 215,250.00
Expenses	\$ 3,159,799.00	\$ 3,391,000.00	\$ 3,391,000.00
SPED (non salaries)	\$ 3,375,892.00	\$ 3,637,181.84	\$ 3,637,181.84
TOTAL	\$ 33,313,010.00	\$ 34,694,797.22	\$ 34,235,965.63
	\$ (893,877.00)	\$ (1,364,767.22)	\$ (179,072.63)

Superintendent's: Dr. Cron touched on the program Freea Leahy and her team are working on. It is the MassHealth CAC which stands for Certified Application Counselor. If granted, we can guide families through the MassHealth and Health Connector process and assist if they encounter any problems.

The high school will have St. Patrick's spirit day on Friday. Wear your green. The Addams Family Musical will be this weekend, and tickets are for sale at the door. April 15th,

9:00-11:00, there will be a Rail Trail Clean Up Day, and Thursday, March 16th, is a half day. Welcome, Mrs. Ranstrom, to the School Committee.

On one motion by Mrs. Hennessy, seconded by Dr. Mauro-Small, unanimous, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Emily P. Davidson
Secretary