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The Rootstown Local Board of Education met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Cafeteria on February 26, 2018. Present were Tom Siciliano, Amanda Waesch, Norm Reynolds, Eric Kline, and Scott Krieger. Also present were Andrew Hawkins, Superintendent, and Connie Baldwin, Treasurer, Terri Hrina-Treharn, Kelli Coffman, Robert Campbell, Bob & Barb Stary, Janet Coon, Cheryl Ryan, James Conley, Debbie Zolar, Ron Zolar, Staci Stevens, Aaron Kurchev, Paula Hluch, Jeff Turner, and Karry McGrath.

The meeting was called to order by President T. Siciliano at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: E. Kline, S. Krieger, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, N. Reynolds

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-35**  
**ADOPT THE AGENDA**

It was moved by A. Waesch seconded by E. Kline to adopt the agenda.

Yeas: A. Waesch, E. Kline, S. Krieger, N. Reynolds, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**Lions Club Good Award - Presentation**

After a short presentation explaining the purpose of the Lions Club Good Award, Brett Housley presented the awards to Jennifer Vogt, as well as Ella Hayn and Caleb Donovan (in absentia). The students and their parents were recognized for this achievement.

**Circle K Presentation** – Brad Frye and Angie Rinehart of Circle K presented a check for \$1,000 to James Conley for the high school. This check was a donation through the Fuel Up for Education program.

**OSBA Presentation** – Cheryl Ryan of OSBA presented the statistical results of the community facilities survey

**Community Comments:**

Ron Zolar: Feels the district needs to communicate more with the parents. Kids can learn in any facility. Kids won't learn if they don't want to. Feels the bus garage project was not managed well. There are always weeds around the buildings and wonders if the district will be able to take care of new facilities.

Staci Stevens: Concerned about school safety. With a new school we will get new security but what about until then? What is being done?

A. Hawkins: Of course this is something that worries all of us. The district has participated in table-top exercises with local law enforcement and safety forces. A. Hawkins just attended a

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state safety conference last week. Currently the district is updating the emergency handbook, installing cameras and additional items. Bus drivers are equipped with new radios and all the doors have buzzers. We don't have extra personnel in a district our size but we do know our kids and their parents.

Karry McGrath: What about a parent safety committee?

A. Hawkins: That is something the district has been exploring and will reach out to parents soon.

Mike McGrath: How are mental health issues identified in the district?

A. Hawkins: Usually by the guidance counselors. There is one in each building. We also have psychologists and also counselors from Coleman.

Staci Stevens: Has heard kids are on their phones during class. How is this being addressed?

A. Hawkins: There is more freedom at the high school level for students to use their phones. However, they should not be texting during class. It is up to the teachers to in each class.

**Treasurer's Reports/Recommendations:**

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-36**  
**APPROVE FINANCIALS**

On the recommendation of the Treasurer, it was moved by A. Waesch and seconded by N. Reynolds to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the following meetings:

January 8, 2018 – Organizational Meeting  
January 22, 2018 – Regular Meeting  
January 24, 2018 – Special Meeting

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

Yeas: A. Waesch, N. Reynolds, S. Krieger, E. Kline, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-37**  
**APPROVE DONATIONS**

It was moved by A. Waesch seconded by E. Kline to approve the following donations:

\$1,230.000 from Katherine Rae Iarussi Scholarship Fund to the Rootstown High School Cafeteria and Quiz Bowl  
\$7,663.50 Value of a wrestling mat from the Sports Boosters to Rootstown Athletics

Yeas: A. Waesch, E. Kline, T. Siciliano, S. Krieger, N. Reynolds,

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-38**  
**APPROVE SPARCC CONTRACT**

It was moved by N. Reynolds seconded by A. Waesch to approve a contract with Sparcc for internet services in the amount of \$10,168.00 from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

Yeas: N. Reynolds, A. Waesch, T. Siciliano, S. Krieger, E. Kline  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-39**  
**APPROVE PUBLIC RECORDS TRAINING**

It was moved by S. Krieger and seconded by A. Waesch to appoint the Treasurer as designee to attend public records training on behalf of the Board.

Yeas: S. Krieger, A. Waesch, N. Reynolds, T. Siciliano, E. Kline  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-40**  
**APPROVE APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS**

It was moved by N. Reynolds and seconded by E. Kline to approve the following appropriations based on the increase or decrease in corresponding revenue adjustments:

008-0000	Klima Scholarship	Increase	\$3,000.00
200919H	HS Choir	Increase	\$15,775.00

Yeas: N. Reynolds, E. Kline, S. Krieger, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**Superintendent Reports/Recommendations:**

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-41**  
**APPROVE FMLA – VOLK**

It was moved by N. Reynolds seconded by A. Waesch to approve FMLA for Erin Volk, effective 1/24/2018.

Yeas: N. Reynolds, A. Waesch, E. Kline, T. Siciliano, S. Krieger  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-42**  
**APPROVE CERTIFIED SUPPLEMENTALS**

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It was moved by A. Waesch seconded by S. Krieger to approve the following certified supplementals:

Jess Hluch	HS Asst. Track Coach
Karlie Lieberth	MS Girls Track Coach
Cassie Braden	MS Boys Track Coach

Yeas: A. Waesch, S. Krieger, E. Kline, N. Reynolds, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-43**  
**APPROVE NON-TEACHING SUPPLEMENTALS**

It was moved by N. Reynolds seconded by S. Krieger to approve the following non-teaching supplementals:

Matt Collins	HS Asst. Baseball Coach
Alex Yaw	HS Asst. Softball Coach
Jason Braden	Volunteer MS Track Coach

Yeas: N. Reynolds, S. Krieger, E. Kline, N. Reynolds, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-44**  
**APPROVE SUBSTITUTES**

It was moved by A. Waesch seconded by E. Kline to approve the following substitutes:

Amy Donze	Substitute Teacher, effective 1/12/2018
Sheri Schlosser	Substitute Teacher, effective 1/30/2018
Nancy Butcher	Substitute Teacher
John Benedik	Substitute Teacher, effective 2/26/2018
Kristina Compton	Substitute Teacher

Yeas: A. Waesch, E. Kline, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, N. Reynolds

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-45**  
**APPROVE 2<sup>ND</sup> READING OF POLICY**

It was moved by S. Krieger seconded by E. Kline to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adopt the following policy:

5330.03

Procurement and Use of Asthma Inhalers in

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Emergency Situations

Yeas: S. Krieger, E. Kline, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, N. Reynolds

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-46**  
**APPROVE STUDENT-TEACHER HOSTS**

It was moved by A. Waesch seconded by N. Reynolds to approve the following teachers to be compensated for hosting a student teacher during the 2017-2018 school year:

Laura DeBos	University of Akron	\$320.00
Heidi Horvath	University of Akron	\$320.00
Kim Lewis	University of Akron	\$320.00
Kathryn Lynch	University of Akron	\$320.00
Brenda Morgart	University of Akron	\$320.00
Angie Stackpole	University of Akron	\$320.00
Amanda Sturm	University of Akron	\$320.00
Alison Svenson	University of Akron	\$320.00
Jenifer Dye	Indiana Wesleyan	\$350.00

Yeas: A. Waesch, N. Reynolds, T. Siciliano, E. Kline, S. Krieger

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**REPORTS:**

A. Hawkins – will hold the state of the schools in March

J. Turner, R. Campbell, T. Hrina-Treharn, J. Conley reported on building activities and curriculum.

N. Reynolds (Legislative Liaison) – In spite of initiatives since Parkland shooting, Congress will likely be in recess before a vote on any of these issues.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Waesch – Discussed advertising and sponsorship. A discussion was held with S. Krieger and E. Kline favoring. N. Reynolds willing to look at a proposal. T. Siciliano did not support. Feels funds must go to the school district and not to any support group. A. Hawkins indicated any advertising would have to go through the Superintendent's office and will look into providing a proposal.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Waesch – Following up the January meeting with trustees, she meet with NEOMED with Rich Lewis and John Wray and Janet Coon regarding opening the lines of communication and collaboration. NEOMED is interested in providing a consultant to find ways to work together. Communication is desperately needed and will include the trustees.

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**RESOLUTION 2018-02-47**  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

It was moved by A. Waesch and seconded by E. Kline to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel. Invited into executive session were A. Hawkins, C. Baldwin, and T. Hrina-Treharn.

Yeas: A. Waesch, E. Kline, T. Siciliano, S. Krieger

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 4 to 0

T. Siciliano called the meeting back into regular session at 7:27.

A discussion was held regarding the ranking of the architectural firms.

**RESOLUTION 2018-02-48**  
**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by A. Waesch and seconded by E. Kline to adjourn the meeting at 8:06.

Yeas: A. Waesch, E. Kline, T. Siciliano, S. Krieger, N. Reynolds

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

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T. Siciliano, President

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Connie Baldwin, Treasurer