

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
September 21, 2026
District Office Board Room**

The meeting may be viewed on the Rome City School District YouTube page.

Members Present: Mrs. Carvelli, Mr. Capponi, Mr. Roland, Mrs. Safin, Mrs. Yoxall

Student Members Present: Noah Riolo

Members Absent: Mr. DeMatteis, Ms. Rashid

Student Members Absent: Jholai Howard

Note: None

Other School District Personnel in Attendance:

Ms. Anselme, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Carney, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and
Strategic Initiatives

Mrs. DePerno, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

Dr. Gonzalez, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations

Staff Excused: None

PRESIDENT CALLS MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Yoxall in the Boardroom at 409 Bell Road.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion at 5:32 p.m. by Mrs. Safin, seconded by Mr. Capponi, to adjourn to executive session to discuss matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Motion at 5:43 p.m. by Mrs. Safin, seconded by Mrs. Carvelli, to adjourn executive session and return to the regular meeting.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On the motion of Mr. Roland, seconded by Mrs. Carvelli, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 8, 2026 were ordered approved as distributed.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

- Remove the Major accomplishments of 2025-2026 workshop
- Add BOCES Report to Board Member Committee Report

Motion to accept the removal of the workshop and addition of the BOCES Report to the Board Member Committee Reports by Mrs. Safin, seconded by Mrs. Carvelli.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

BOARD RECOGNITION (ACHIEVEMENTS AND HONORS)

- Security personnel
 - Continuing to be welcoming, courteous, and diligent while greeting students and families and helping navigate the additional security measures at Rome Free Academy, as well as supporting the increased hours associated with events throughout the buildings.
- Students that are following the rules
 - Recognizing students for their cooperation and willingness to follow expectations as new processes are introduced. Students have been doing a great job with following established procedures and adapting to changes as processes are implemented and adjusted.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

- Kathleen Murphy – School security

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- Written/Oral Information
 - Two Rome Free Academy seniors, Noah Riolo and Brooklyn Brown, recognized for participating in the LeMoyne Leadership Academy after receiving the LeMoyne College Heights award
 - Suicide Awareness Month – Peyton Calandra and Marley Thiesen were recognized for volunteering with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. Additionally, Peyton created an RFA team for the Out of Darkness Walk.
 - Rome Community for coming together and celebrating the life of Levi DeMatteis for his positive impact on his peers and adults alike.
 - September educational monthly recognition
 - Attendance update
 - Dolly Parton Imagination Library now has 444 students registered. Appreciation given to Dana Benzo, Director of Elementary Programs, for her coordination of the program.
 - Athletic Trainer Recognition Week appreciation given to Sierra Raux for being such an important part of our student athlete support system.

BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORT

- District Safety – Mrs. Safin
 - Appreciation to staff and students for helping with the bag checks
 - Safety at the football game was good
 - Date for first meeting is TBD
 - Students should be making it to first period on time. If they are not, there could be other reasons besides the screening process as to the reason why. The screening process is moving quicker each day and is usually completed by 7:35 a.m.
 - All visitors are processed and checked in using Visit U and there is continual processing through security.

- School Boards Institute – Mr. Roland
 - Executive meeting was held last week
 - New York Inspires, Portrait of a Graduate, and Regents exams were discussed
- Parent Partnership – Mrs. Yoxall
 - Meeting will be scheduled in October
- Sports – Mrs. Safin
 - Fall season is underway and teams are off to a great start. Strong participation and numbers are growing. Community is coming out to support all sports.
 - Varsity Football is currently 2-1
 - Field Hockey is undefeated in league play
- BOCES Report
 - BOCES Open House is scheduled for Thursday, October 15. All are welcome to see what a program will look like. Additional information will be shared closer to the date.

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT

- Homecoming update
 - Appreciation given to all that helped to coordinate
 - Dance was well attended and went great
- New mascot
 - Black Knight will be getting everyone excited for the games
- Pep rally
 - Students were engaged and giving positivity and support
- Update on metal detectors
 - Students have been getting to class on time
 - Feels safer in the school
- Cell phone update
 - Students are active and more attentive in classes
- Digital hall pass update
 - Going well and easy to navigate
 - Teachers can schedule time to meet with students
- Relationships with staff
 - Grateful for the relationships with staff. Students spoken to feel they always have someone there to go to when needed.

Mrs. Safin stepped out at 6:15 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution to accept Consent Agenda:

Resolution by Mr. Roland, seconded by Mrs. Carvelli:

That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Consent Agenda be accepted by the Board of Education.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Consent Agenda Action Items

1. Resolution to approve personnel changes as listed below:

RESOLVED: That the permanent appointments, transfers, resignations, salary adjustments, leaves of absence, et al, contained below, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools be, and are, hereby approved.

The Superintendent certifies that the requirements of the New York State Education Department, the Civil Service of the City of Rome, and the Board of Education have been met in all cases.

A. Resignations/Terminations:

Name	Position (Title)	Reason	Effective Date
Gregory Davis Sr. (Strough)	Custodian F	Resignation (For other employment in the District)	09/21/2026
Ethan Larkin (Bellamy)	Teacher Aide	Resignation	09/02/2026
Kaylee Prescod (John Joy)	Teacher Assistant	Resignation	09/09/2026
Forrest Shafer (RFA)	Special Education Long Term Substitute Teacher	Resignation	09/11/2026
Kianna Underwood (RFA)	Teacher Aide	Resignation	09/13/2026
Anne Sullivan (Denti)	School Monitor 3.75 Hours/Day	Resignation	09/24/2026

B. Rescind Appointment of Instructional/Non-Instructional Personnel:

Name	Position (Title)	Salary	Effective Date(s)
Jamie Marano (John Joy)	Teacher Aide 1:1	\$20,645.00	09/01/2026 - 02/28/2027
Katelyn Griffith (Ridge Mills)	Teacher Aide (To become Teacher Assistant within 6 months)	\$20,645.00	09/01/2026 - 02/28/2027

C. Leave of Absence:

Name	Position (Title)	Reason	Effective Date (s)
Morgan Dawkins (Denti)	Teacher Aide	Unpaid Leave of Absence	09/01/2026 - 11/09/2026

D. Appointment of Non-Instructional Probationary Personnel:

Name	Position (Title)	Salary	Probationary Start Date	Probationary End Date
Gregory Davis Sr. (Strough)	Custodian E + Shift Differential	\$53,783.76 (prorated)	09/22/2026	03/21/2027
Patricia Duggan (Strough)	Food Service Helper 3.75 Hours/Day	\$17.59/Hour	09/22/2026	03/21/2027
Patricia Rousseau (Gansevoort)	School Monitor 3.75 Hours/Day	\$17.59/Hour	09/09/2026	03/08/2027
Ann-Marie Burgdorf (Denti)	School Monitor 3.75 Hours/Day	\$17.59/Hour	09/17/2026	03/16/2027
Brittany Haley (John Joy)	Teacher Aide 1:1	\$20,645.00 (prorated)	09/09/2026	03/08/2027
Carrie Smith (Gansevoort)	Teacher Aide 1:1	\$20,645.00 (prorated)	09/18/2026	03/17/2027
Lorraine Bassett (RFA)	Food Service Helper 3.5 Hours/Day	\$17.59/Hour	09/09/2026	03/08/2027
Phyllis Parry (Bellamy)	School Monitor 3.75 Hours/Day	\$17.59/Hour	09/14/2026	03/13/2027

Shayna Mortis (Clough)	School Monitor 3.75 Hours/Day	\$17.59/Hour	09/14/2026	03/13/2027
Victoria Badolato (Gansevoort)	School Monitor 3.75 Hours/Day	\$17.59/Hour	09/22/2026	03/21/2027

E. Appointment of Instructional Probationary Personnel:

Name	Position (Title)	Tenure Area	Step	Salary	Probationary Start Date	Probationary End Date
Emanuella Quartuccio (John Joy)	Special Education Teacher	Special Education	BS30 Step 18	\$72,840.00 (prorated)	09/22/2026	09/21/2029
Megan Saenger (Bellamy)	Special Education Teacher	Special Education	BS60 Step 8	\$65,610.00 (prorated)	10/07/2026	10/06/2030
Katelyn Griffith (Ridge Mills)	Teacher Assistant	Teaching Assistant	N/A	\$26,360.00	09/01/2026	08/31/2030
Kristopher Rutherford (RFA)	Teacher Assistant	Teaching Assistant	N/A	\$26,360.00 (prorated)	09/22/2026	09/21/2030
Rebecca Dailey (RFA)	Teacher Assistant	Teaching Assistant	N/A	\$26,360.00 (prorated)	09/22/2026	09/21/2030

The expiration date of the above probationary appointment for classroom teaching position is tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of Section 2509 of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure a classroom teacher or principal must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either “effective” or “highly effective” in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the classroom teacher or principal receives an “ineffective” composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period the teacher shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.

F. Amend Salary of Instructional Probationary Personnel:

Name	Position (Title)	Tenure Area	Step	From Salary	To Salary	Effective Date(s)
Joshua Heintz (Clough)	Teacher	Elementary	BS30 Step 7	\$64,140.00 + Contractual Benefits	\$61,140.00 + Contractual Benefits	09/01/2026 - 08/31/2029

G. Appointment of Student Teacher/Internship Personnel:

Name	Position (Title)	Effective Date(s)
Melissa Hallenbeck	Student Teacher	09/22/2026 - 12/07/2026 & 1/20/2027 - 05/04/2027

H. Appointment of Instructional/Non-Instructional Substitutes:

Name	Position (Title)	Salary	Effective Date(s)
Emily Strohl	Uncertified Teacher	\$143.26/Day	09/22/2026
Brenda Barnes	Uncertified Teacher	\$143.26/Day	09/22/2026
Myah Harrington	Uncertified Teacher	\$143.26/Day	09/22/2026
Raine Stevens	Uncertified Teacher	\$143.26/Day	09/22/2026
Isabella Davis	Uncertified Teacher	\$143.26/Day	09/08/2026
Alyson Kaltak	Uncertified Teacher	\$143.26/Day	09/22/2026
Noreen Powell	Certified Teacher	\$164.49/Day	09/22/2026
Kevin Schultz	Certified Teacher	\$164.49/Day	09/22/2026
Hannah Sheehan	Uncertified Teacher	\$143.26/Day	09/22/2026
Hannah Sheehan	Teacher Aide, Teacher Assistant, School Monitor	\$16.00/Hour	09/22/2026
Zoe Abrams	Uncertified Teacher	\$143.26/Day	09/22/2026
Zoe Abrams	Teacher Aide, Teacher Assistant	\$16.00/Hour	09/22/2026
Amanda Iodice	Teacher Aide, Teacher Assistant, School Monitor	\$16.00/Hour	09/22/2026

Lissa Graveline	Teacher Aide, Teacher Assistant, School Monitor	\$16.00/Hour	09/22/2026
Kyrie Wind	Food Service Helper	\$16.00/Hour	09/22/2026
Ryleagh LaGrange	Food Service Helper	\$16.00/Hour	09/22/2026
Bruce Finster	Custodial Worker	\$16.00/Hour	09/22/2026
Ann Boardman	School Monitor	\$16.00/Hour	09/22/2026
Donna Kirch	Clerical Substitute	\$16.00/Hour	09/22/2026
Cynthia Guiliano	Clerical Substitute	\$16.00/Hour	09/22/2026

I. Appointment of Non-Instructional Provisional Personnel:

Name	Position (Title)	Salary	Effective Date(s)
Alexander Houck, Jr.	School Security Officer	\$32.35/Hour	09/10/2026

J. Appointment of Long Term Substitutes:

Name	Position	Step	Salary	Effective Date
Steven Fayette (RFA)	Music Teacher	BS30 Step 24	\$78,840.00	09/01/2026 - 06/30/2027
Thomas Gates (John Joy)	Special Education Resource Teacher	BS90 Step 24	\$90,579.00 (prorated)	09/09/2026 - 06/30/2027
Paige Crego (Bellamy/Joy)	Music Teacher	BS30 Step 11	\$65,140.00 (prorated)	10/05/2026 - 06/30/2027

K. Appointment of Teacher Coordinators:

Name	Position	Salary	Effective Date (s)
Ryan Tuggey	School Counselor Co-Coordinator	\$2,000.00	09/01/2026 - 06/30/2028
Brooke Kopek	School Counselor Co-Coordinator	\$2,000.00	09/01/2026 - 06/30/2028

L. Appointment of 2026-2027 Extracurricular Clubs Personnel:

Name	Building	Position (Title)	Club	Salary
Riccardo Dursi	RFA	Advisor	Seal of Civic Readiness	\$2,100.00
Craig Rheaume	RFA	Advisor	Seal of Civic Readiness	\$2,100.00
David Brognano	RFA	Stage Manager	RFA Musical	\$1,000.00
Elaine Rotenberry	RFA	Co-Advisor	GSA	\$900.00
Melinda Boufford	RFA	Co-Advisor	GSA	\$900.00

M. Rescind Appointment of 2026-2027 Extracurricular Clubs Personnel:

Name	Building	Position (Title)	Club	Salary
Leanna Guerrieri	RFA	Co-Advisor	GSA	\$900.00
Jacob Meiss	RFA	Co-Advisor	GSA	\$900.00

N. Appointment of Teacher Tutors:

Name	Position (Title)	Salary	Effective
Mary Saunders	Teacher Tutor	\$40.00/Hour	09/09/2026
Jean Pexton-Reifschneider	Teacher Tutor	\$40.00/Hour	09/11/2026

O. Appointment of 2026-2027 Intramural Personnel:

Name	Position	Building	Salary
Todd Allen	Fall, Winter, Spring (Lunch)	Strough	\$5,100.00
Lawrence Bevilacqua	Fall, Winter, Spring, (Morning)	Strough	\$5,100.00
Melissa O'Rourke	Fall (Afternoon)	RFA	\$1,600.00
Alfred Bevilacqua	Winter (Afternoon)	RFA	\$1,900.00
Evan Howard	Spring (Afternoon)	RFA	\$1,600.00
Steven Mudry	Fall, Winter, Spring (Lunch)	Strough	\$5,100.00
Steven Mudry	Fall, Winter, Spring (Morning)	Strough	\$5,100.00

David Petrelli	Fall, Winter, Spring (Morning)	Strough	\$5,100.00
Chad Reese	Fall, Winter, Spring (Lunch)	Strough	\$5,100.00
Camryn Stamboly	Fall, Winter, Spring (Afternoon)	Ridge Mills	\$5,100.00
Theodore Swavely	Fall, Winter, Spring (Morning)	RFA	\$5,100.00
Kelly Reese	2 Days/Week, Spring	Stadium Support	\$ 700.00

P. Appointment of 2026-2027 Fall Coaching Personnel:

Name	Position (Title)	Salary
Parker Tooley	JV Volunteer Football Coach	Volunteer

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Consent Agenda Action Items

1. Resolution of initial placements, annual reviews, reevaluations, manifestation determinations, amendments, program reviews and/or transfers of students with disabilities:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the placement of children based upon the CSE/CPSE meeting recommendations be approved.

ROME CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT CSE/CPSE

September 21, 2026

PART 200 REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION

Part 200.2, Section (d)

...The board of education or board of trustees of each school district shall, upon completion of its review of the IEP in accordance with section 200.4(d)(2) of the Part, arrange for the appropriate special education programs and services to be provided to a student with a disability as recommended by the committee on special education.

Part 200.2, Section (d) (2)

...arrange for appropriate special education programs and services for a preschool student...

DISABILITY	CSE	CPSE
Autistic	10	
Deaf		
Deaf-Blindness		
Emotionally Disturbed	3	
Hearing Impaired		
Intellectual Disability	3	
Learning Disabled	27	
Multiply Disabled		
Orthopedically Impaired		
Other Health Impaired	6	
Speech Impaired	6	
Transfer Review		
Traumatic Brain Injury		
Visually Impaired		
Pre-School with disability		
Non-Disabled	2	
Declassified	1	
Section 504	1	
Tabled		

FINANCE

Consent Agenda Action Items

No agenda items

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

FINANCE

Action Items

1. Resolution to Approve Transfer from General Fund to 2025 Capital Reserve:

Resolution by Mr. Roland, seconded by Mr. Capponi:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has established a 2025 Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of financing future capital improvements and related expenditures of the District; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available in the District's General Fund to make such transfer without adversely affecting the District's ability to meet its current financial obligations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the transfer of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) from the District's General Fund to the 2025 Capital Reserve Fund, subject to all applicable laws, regulations, and reserve fund requirements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, District Treasurer, and/or other appropriate District officials are hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary actions to effectuate this transfer and properly record the transaction in the District's financial records.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Mrs. Safin returned at 6:17 p.m.

FINANCE (Continued)

Action Items (Continued)

2. Resolution to Accept May Treasurer Report:

Resolution by Mr. Roland, seconded by Mr. Capponi:

WHEREAS, the Treasurer of the Rome City School District has submitted the Treasurer's Reports for the months of May 2026 for review by the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has examined said reports and found them to be in order;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the Treasurer's Reports for May 2026, as presented.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

3. Resolution to Accept the 2026-2027 Budget Schedule:

Resolution by Mrs. Safin, seconded by Mr. Roland:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has reviewed the proposed 2027-2028 Budget Development Schedule outlining the anticipated timeline and key activities associated with the development, review, and adoption of the District's 2027-2028 annual budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education desires to establish a clear timeline for the preparation and presentation of the proposed budget in accordance with applicable New York State requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Rome City School District hereby accepts the proposed 2027-2028 Budget Development Schedule as presented.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

FINANCE (Continued)

Action Items (Continued)

4. Resolution to Accept Donation:

Resolution by Mr. Capponi, seconded by Mr. Roland:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognizes and greatly appreciates the generosity of individuals, organizations, and businesses that support the District's programs and initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Community Foundation has generously donated \$1,500 to the Rome School District in support of the 6th grade Yearbook Club; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Rome City School District hereby accepts, with gratitude, the donation of \$1,500 from Community Foundation for the 6th grade Yearbook Club.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Audit Committee Meeting: TBD – Audit is still in process

Finance Committee Meeting: October 8, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. at 409 Bell Road

Committee Report

Resolutions are reviewed by the Finance Committee prior to being placed on a Board agenda for approval.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Action Items

No agenda items

HUMAN RESOURCES

Action Items

1. Resolution to Approve Administrative Leave:

Resolution by Mrs. Carvelli, seconded by Mr. Capponi:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that a CSEA ATAMCU employee be placed on a paid administrative leave, effective September 3, 2026 - September 9, 2026.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

2. Resolution to Approve Administrative Leave:

Resolution by Mrs. Carvelli, seconded by Mr. Roland:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that a Rome Teachers' Association employee be placed on a paid administrative leave, effective September 12, 2026.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

3. Resolution to Accept Amendment to Affiliation Agreement:

Resolution by Mrs. Safin, seconded by Mrs. Carvelli:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Amendment to the Affiliation Agreement between the Rome City School District and Binghamton University dated August 24, 2026.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

HUMAN RESOURCES (Continued)

Action Items (Continued)

4. Resolution to Appoint Acting Principal:

Resolution by Mrs. Carvelli, seconded by Mr. Capponi:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Rome City School District appoints an acting principal for each school to serve in the event of the absence of the principal; and

WHEREAS, the acting principal is authorized to exercise the power of suspension delegated to the principal, during such absence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Rome City School District hereby appoints Kristen Ball as Acting Principal of Strough Middle School, effective in the event of the absence of the Principal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that during the absence of the Principal, Kristen Ball is authorized to exercise the authority to suspend students.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

POLICY

Action Items

1. Resolution to Retire Policies:

Resolution by Mrs. Safin, seconded by Mrs. Carvelli:

WHEREAS: The Board of Education has previously adopted policies that supersede and replace the policies listed below; and

WHEREAS: The policies listed below are therefore no longer necessary as separate policies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby retires the following policies, each of which has been superseded and replaced by a previously adopted policy:

#0030 Code of Ethics

-Replaced with #2160 – School District Officer and Employee Code of Ethics

#2035 Minutes of Board Meetings

-Replaced with #2360 - Minutes

#2040 Board Committees

- Replaced with #2250 – Board Committees

#2046 Board - Staff Communications

-Replaced with #2700 – Board / Staff Communications

#7003.2 Admission of Non-Resident Students

- Replaced with #5152 Admission of Non Resident Students

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Next Committee Meeting: October 14, 2026 at 4:45 p.m. at 266 West Dominick Street

Committee Report

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Resolution Awarding Contract for Capital Construction Project:

Resolution by Mrs. Carvelli, seconded by Mr. Roland:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Rome City School District (the “Board of Education”) has determined that it is in the best interest of the School District to contract with Day Automation/STARK Tech (the “Contractor”) under the terms and conditions of its NYS OGS Contract PT-68783 and its related proposal dated August 13, 2026, in the amount of \$3,250,540, see attached abstract of the proposal (“Proposal”) for the procurement/installation and/or licensing of the equipment and technology described in the Proposal in connection with Phase 1 of the 2024 Capital Improvement Project, (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project architect/engineer and construction manager have reviewed the Proposal and have confirmed that all equipment/installation included in the Proposal are within the scope of the NYS Contract and the price for all equipment is at or below the amount authorized in the NYS Contract; and

WHEREAS, The Contractor has confirmed that the Proposal is in strict compliance with the requirements of the NYS Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that the Proposal qualifies as a contract exempt from competitive bidding requirements under the authority of NYS General Municipal Law §104(1) and complies with the School District’s procurement policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, attached is an abstract of the Proposal which is hereby incorporated herein;

NOW, THEREFORE be it resolved as follows:

1. The Board of Education accepts the Proposal and the terms and conditions of the NYS Contract for the procurement/installation and/or licensing of the equipment and technology described in the Proposal in connection with the Project.
2. The Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board or the Superintendent of Schools to enter into one or more contracts or issue one or more Purchase Orders and related documents to the Contractor on behalf of the Board of Education to procure/install and/or license the equipment described in the Proposal under the terms and condition of the NYS Contract in connection with the Project in compliance with this Resolution and take all actions necessary or convenient to proceed in connection with the Project and to comply with all applicable law, regulations, and NYS and federal executive orders relating to a contract, Purchase Order, or the Project.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (Continued)

1. Resolution Awarding Contract for Capital Construction Project: (Continued)

Pricing Summary:

	Total
Stokes Elementary School	\$296,714.56
Ridge Mills Elementary School	\$295,766.69
Francis Bellamy Elementary	\$362,138.62
John Joy Elementary	\$290,818.14
Ganesvoort Elementary School	\$355,337.05
Louis V. Denti Elementary	\$470,253.18
Strough Middle School	\$1,115,775.18
Add Performance & Payment Bond	\$63,736.07
Total Including Bond	\$3,250,539.49

Project Cost.....\$3,250,539.49

Includes \$10,684.60 in non-NYSC equipment.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (Continued)

2. Resolution to Award Contract for Capital Construction Project:

Resolution by Mrs. Safin, seconded by Mr. Roland:

WHEREAS, pursuant to NYS General Municipal Law §104(2), the Board of Education of the Rome City School District (the “Board of Education”) is permitted to purchase products and/or labor from the federal General Service Administration (the “GSA”) selected supply schedules, so long as the Board of Education determines that the purchase will result in cost savings after consideration of all relevant factors; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposals from Trane U.S. Inc., (“Trane”) described in the attached abstract incorporated herein, for the purchase/installation of the equipment listed therein and the labor described therein (“Proposals”) in connection with Phase 1 of its 2024 Capital Improvement Project, (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, Trane has confirmed that its Proposals are in strict compliance with the requirements of the GSA Contract; and

WHEREAS, upon review of information compiled by the School District’s Administration and Architect, and all relevant factors, including but not limited to price, efficiency, maintenance costs, and operating costs, the Board has determined that the purchase of the Trane equipment through the GSA and the labor under the terms and conditions of the Proposals will result in cost savings for the District;

NOW, THEREFORE be it resolved as follows:

1. The Board hereby determines that the purchase of the equipment and the labor through the GSA as set out in the Proposals will result in cost savings for the District and authorizes such purchase.
2. The Board of Education hereby accepts the Proposals, authorizes the President of the Board or the Superintendent of Schools to enter into a contract or issue one or more purchase orders in compliance with this Resolution with such provisions other than a material increase in the scope of the work or the approved amount, as may be approved by the Superintendent of Schools, which approval shall be conclusively shown by the execution thereof, and to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and NYS and federal executive orders relating to the contract, and take all actions necessary or convenient to effectuate the purposes of the foregoing Resolution.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (Continued)

2. Resolution to Award Contract for Capital Construction Project: (Continued)

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ROME CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024CIP

Phase 1

CONTRACT	SCOPE	VENDOR	CONTACT	CENTRAL K 7-030-005
8785223A	Labor GSA #47QSWA20D002A	Trane	Matt Pinczes mpinczes@trane.com	\$4,796,025.00
8785223	Mechanical Equipment GSA #47QSWA20D002A	Trane	Matt Pinczes mpinczes@trane.com	\$1,655,164.00

2024 Capital Improvement Project – Phase 1

Francis Bellamy Elementary School	SED # 41-18-00-01-0-001-010
Denti Elementary School	SED # 41-18-00-01-0-023-016
Gansevoort Elementary School	SED # 41-18-00-01-0-008-016
John Joy Elementary School	SED # 41-18-00-01-0-018-016
Ridge Mills Elementary School	SED # 41-18-00-01-0-013-011
Stokes Elementary School	SED # 41-18-00-01-0-017-018
Strough Elementary School	SED # 41-18-00-01-0-012-027

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (Continued)

3. Resolution Awarding Contracts for Capital Construction Project:

Resolution by Mr. Roland, seconded by Mrs. Carvelli:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Rome City School District (the “Board of Education”) solicited bids from prime contractors for construction services in conjunction with Phase 1 of the 2024 Capital Improvement Project (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, bids were received and publicly opened on September 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Project Architect and Construction Manager reviewed the bids and bidders’ qualifications for the Project, discussed the scope and schedule of the Project with the lowest responsible bidders and by letter dated September 16, 2026, recommend acceptance of base bids and award of contracts for the work of Phase 1 of the Project as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education determines that it is in the best interest of the School District to accept the recommendation of the Project Architect and Construction Manager and award contracts as set forth herein;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Education hereby resolves to award the following contracts for the Project:

1. Prime Contract: General Trades Construction Contract to Gallo Construction Corporation
Base Bid: \$1,919,400.00
Contract Amount: \$1,919,400.00
2. Prime Contract: Mechanical Construction Contract to H.J. Brandeles Corporation
Base Bid: \$322,000.00
Contract Amount: \$322,000.00
3. Prime Contract: Electrical Construction Contract to Knapp Electric Inc.
Base Bid: \$563,450.00
Contract Amount: \$563,450.00
4. Prime Contract: Plumbing Construction Contract to H.J. Brandeles Corporation
Base Bid: \$260,000.00
Contract Amount: \$260,000.00

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MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (Continued)

3. Resolution Awarding Contracts for Capital Construction Project: (Continued)

5. The Board hereby authorizes its President or the Superintendent of Schools to execute contracts and related documents on behalf of the School District in compliance with this Resolution and take all actions necessary or convenient to enter into the contracts authorized herein and to comply with the voter approved Proposition for the Project; applicable laws, regulations, and executive orders relating to the contracts or the Project; and do all other acts that may be necessary or proper to effectuate the purposes of the foregoing Resolution.
6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Upcoming events
 - NYSSBA Convention – October 22, 2026 in Buffalo, NY
 - Public Hearing – October 5, 2026 at 5:15 at 409 Bell Road
 - Code of Conduct

Clarification was given that we are having the public hearing for the Code of Conduct because when the previous Code of conduct was approved the 2025-2026 version was posted on the website for review instead of the 2026-2027 version. The process is being completed again with the correct version posted and being approved. This gives the public the opportunity to view the updated version and ask any questions. Mrs. DePerno noted that when she spoke about the Code of Conduct at the previous Public Hearing she spoke about the updates that are being made without knowing the incorrect version was posted on the website.

- Proposed naming of the Stokes gymnasium after a former student
- Meet & Greet with administration
 - Proposed dates are October 28 & 29

Ms. Anselme noted that this is a time for the Board and administration to get together informally and get to know each other. It was decided to hold the Meet & Greet on October 28.

- Wellness Council Board Member

Mr. Roland will be the Board representative on the District Wellness Committee

OLD BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No additional public comment

Mrs. Safin noted that Noah Riolo's parents should be very proud of him. He is a stand out, well spoken, and is helping the students have a voice. Mrs. Carvelli added that the students give a different perspective. Mrs. Yoxall noted that both student's member's families should be very proud of them.

Ms. Anselme recognized the Special Education department and the entire team for their continued work and dedication to making sure the work is completed and the buildings have what they need. She commended the work Dr, Checchia and her team have completed over the past few years for doing a great job and working with the building leaders to be sure they are following the rules and moving the department forward.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mrs. Safin, seconded by Mr. Roland, to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:44 p.m. to collective negotiations; and a matter made confidential by attorney/client privilege.

Voice vote.

By acclamation.

Motion by Mrs. Safin, seconded by Mr. Capponi to adjourn Executive Session at 7:31 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr. Roland, seconded by Mrs. Carvelli, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 to the call of the President.