

Rochelle Park Board of Education
Executive Session 6:30 P.M. Regular Session 7:30 P.M.
May 16, 2023

I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call

Board Member	Present	Absent
Mr. Scott Kral, Vice President	X	
Mrs. Teresa Judge Cravello	X	
Mr. Joseph Marolda		X(6:41PM)
Mr. Jorge Martinez Jr.		X(7:00PM)
Ms. Elaine Rainone	X	
Mr. Charles Schaadt		X
Mr. Matthew Trawinski, President	X	

Others Present:

Dr. Sue DeNobile, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. James Riley, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Ms. Dnaielle Panzzi Board Attorney
Mrs. Cara Hurd, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Michael Alberta, Principal
Mrs. Rebecca Garcia, Director of Special Services
Mrs. Ellen Kobylarz, Board Recording Secretary

III. Executive Session

Be it resolved that the Rochelle Park Board of Education will convene in Executive Session to discuss confidential student matters, personnel, contracts and safety.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

V. Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975

In accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, I wish to announce that “The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meeting of bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. Notices announcing the date, time and place for this Regular Meeting were sent to all concerned individuals, associations and sent to the, The Record, and The Our Town, and posted to our website based on the executive order of the Governor in accordance with Chapter 231, P.L. 1975”. posted on the District website, at least 48 hours prior to the time of this meeting.

VII. Reports

- A. Superintendent- Dr. DeNobile reminded everyone of the changes to the school calendar, the unsued emergency/snow days will be used on the Friday and Tuesday of Memorial day weekend May 26 &30, 2023 and the final day will be used on June 19, 2023. These dates were chosen in conjunction with the Hackensack High School schedule so families with students in both schools could be off at the same time.
- B. Business Administrator Dr. Riley explained that the boxes you see in the outer foyer are 54 hepa filter units for use in the classrooms. It was part of a state grant program. \$250,000. has been deposited in the NJ ARC account at 4.8% interest.

- C. Director of Curriculum and Instruction Mrs. Hurd announced that the state testing in Science, ELA and Math is finished, there are a few makeups. Everything is going well and will all be done by next week. Student Transition Program (STP) Summer- enrollment is up to almost 80 students. The program is in good shape. It is open to students in grades 1-8.
Dr. DeNobile added that the number of parent refusals for testing has been cut in half. Investment is different due to the test prep program. Great job Mrs. Hurd.
- D. Principal- Mr. Aberta was unable to attend the meeting Dr. DeNoble gave his report Boosterthon was a HUGE success. Thank you to the Midland School PTO for sponsoring this great event for our PreK-8th grade students. Students received a number of character education lessons and the week culminated with a Fun Run. The PTO raised great money through Boosterthon which will be put into various programs for our Midland students. Thank you to all the teachers/students/and of course parents for their generous donations
Field trip season is underway and our students are really enjoying these experiences. Our 8th grade trip to Washington DC kicks off on Wednesday 5/31 - Friday 6/2. A reminder to all 8th grade students going on the trip, luggage drop off will take place on Thursday 5/25. Both Baseball and Softball teams have made the playoffs. Congrats to both teams and coaches. Go Lions!
Midland School chorus and band will be performing at the Bergen County Teen Arts Festival this Friday at Bergen Community College. Our students will also be represented by their artwork. Thank you to all of our students and of course Ms. Baker, Mr. Kemp and Mrs. O'Brien for their hard work and dedication to our Arts Program.
As a reminder, the Realtime Parent Portal will open for marking period interims on 5/24 Be sure to check your email for important updates and event info as we move into June. Upcoming dates to remember: June 7th, 3rd Grade Recorder Show, June 9th Special Olympics Torch Run June 12th Field Day for Grades 5-8, June 13th Field Day for Grades PK-4, June 16th Kindergarten Celebration. On June 20th 12:41 Dismissal for students – No after care & Kindergarten Round Up – Incoming K Students
June 21 & 22 will also be 12:41 Dismissal for students – No after care. The 22nd is the last day of school and there will be the 8th grade clap out & 8th grade graduation - 7:00 pm
- E. Director of Special Services Mrs. Garcia stated that Mr. Cox was very helpful with getting the computers up and running. Cino de Mayo Mrs. Johnson's class learned about how to serve food, how to ask for more. They made tacos, guacamole and salsa. They are looking to build on this program. May 10 students in K-2 participated in a wellness event. The Health Barn was on hand, Students made bracelets, received bike safety tips from our SRO Officer Bermudez. Representatives from Care Plus were also in attendance, CST did a sensory relay. It was a good opportunity to get the kids out and have fun.
Dr. DeNobile added that the skills the Bocci team are learning is amazing. The wellness event was well implemented. Mr. Marolda added that his children loved it.
- F. Board Committees, as needed:
Mr. Kral thanked Dr. Riley for getting the grant for the heppa units.
Mrs. Judge Cravello thanked everyone who came & attended her husband's wake. Thank you to the Administration, Teachers, Staff, PTO and community. She added when speaking of her husband "He would give his right arm to help anyone." He had a true fireman's funeral, can't thank everyone enough. The Board has been family and she likes to be around here, he was the love of her life for 36 years. You never know how your life could change in a second. It was the largest support she has received she is here tonight because she needed to be around people.
Thank you
- G. Board Liaison:
Liaison to the Township Committee: Mr. Kral reminded everyone that the Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday May 29th at 11:30 AM. Services are earlier in the morning. The Midland School Band will be marching in the parade this year, he hasn't seen that since Dr. Sacco was

here. Graduation HHS June 27th. Four students from Rochelle Park are in the Top Twenty. Thank you to all the teachers who helped these students succeed. Mr. Kral thanked the company who donated tech items to the school see resolution R9 on this agenda.

There was a question from the Board on the inersolastic soccer team. Mr. Alberta stated it will be for Middle School Children 6-8, fall season. Mrs Judge Cravello stated this was the first time we had one. Mr. Trawinski added the bandaïd collection is a nice idea.

VIII. Public Comment (Agenda Items Only)

The Board of Education reserves the right to hold public comment on agenda items only, at its discretion, at its regular monthly public meetings in accordance with Bylaw 0167. Public comment will be limited to three minutes per person. Citizens should give their name and address when recognized to speak. Please be reminded that this meeting is being recorded.

No one from the public was present

IX. Items for Board Action-Resolutions Routine Matters Resolutions R1-R9

R1. Approval of Minutes

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the minutes of the following meetings:

April 25, 2023 Regular Meeting & Executive

May 9, 2023 Special Meeting

R2. Attendance

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the attendance report for the month of April 2023 as listed:

Enrollment

Midland School 503

Hackensack H.S. 138.5

Academies/Technical Schools 45

Totals 686.5

Pupil Attendance

Possible Days 6871

Days Present 6541

Days Absent 330

% Present 95.1%

% Absent 4.9%

Teacher Attendance

Possible Days 798

Days Present 760.5

Days Absent 37.5

% Present 95.5%

% Absent 4.5%

R3. Emergency & Crisis Situations

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following for the month of April 2023:

Fire drill – 4/21/2023

Security drill - 4/27/2023

Bus Drill -4/18/2023 (entire student body)

R4. Harassment Intimidation and Bullying

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following HIB Report for April 2023 on behalf of the Rochelle Park School District.

April 2023

Reported Cases:0

Number of Cases open: 0

Number of Cases closed: 0

Number of Incidents determined to be HIB: 0

R5. Bylaws, Policies & Regulations

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a second reading and adoption of the following Bylaw, Policies and Regulations.

- a. P0144 Board Member Orientation and Training
- b. P&R 2520 Instructional Supplies (M)
- c. P3217 Use of Corporal Punishment
- d. P4217 Use of Corporal Punishment (New)
- e. P5305 Health Services Personnel (M)
- f. P&R 5308 Student Health Records (M)
- g. P&R 5310 Health Services (M)
- h. P6112 Reimbursement of Federal and Other Grant Expenditures (M)
- i. R6115.01 Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Allowability of Costs (M) (New)
- j. P6115.04 Federal Funds-Duplication of Benefits (M) (New)
- k. P6311 Contracts for Goods or Services Funded by Federal Grants (M)
- l. P7440 School District Security (M)
- m. P9100 Public Relations (Abolished)
- n. P9140 Citizens Advisory Committee
- o. R9140 Citizens Advisory Committee (M) (Abolished)
- p. P&R 2340 Field Trips

R6. Band-Aid Collection

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education acknowledges May as Mental Health Awareness Month and therefore approves Midland School participating in a band-aid collection drive from May 17, 2023 through June 16, 2023. This collection will help raise the spirits of pediatric cancer patients by supplying 'fun' band-aids to a local hospital.

R7. Interscholastic Soccer Team

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the creation of a Midland School Interscholastic Co-Ed Soccer Team for the 2023-2024 school year.

R8. Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Midland School students and staff to participate in the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics to be held on Friday, June 9, 2023 at approximately 1:00PM-2:00PM pending the arrival of the torch in the Township.

R9. Donation

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts a donation of three (3) printers from:

A.T. Kearney Consulting
3 Printers, estimated value \$200 each
20 Lenovo T480 Laptops, estimated value \$200 each

Total estimated value = \$4,600

R10. Special Education Services

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the following Out of District Placement for CST # 2306 effective May 15, 2023 to June 30, 2023.* Tuition amount to be updated upon receipt of contract.

R11. Special Education Services

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Rochelle Park Board of Education amends the resolution R5 from the September 27, 2022 Board of Education meeting changing the amount of the contract for CST 2111 from \$45,650.00 to \$70,990.00.

R12. Residency

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that student bearing identification number 100010231XX (the "Student") be found ineligible to receive a free public education in the Rochelle park School District (the "District") and

WHEREAS, the District has determined that the Student does not reside within Rochelle Park and is not otherwise entitled to a free public education provided by the Rochelle Park School District board of Educ action (the "board"): and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2023 the Board conducted a formal hearing at the District pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:38-1(b)(2) at which the Parent presented evidence to the Board; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2023 the Board held a formal vote regarding the Student's eligibility for a free public education in the District.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby finds the Student does not reside within Rochelle Park;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby finds that the Student is ineligible to receive a free public education in the Rochelle Park School District pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:38-1 and N.J.A.C. 6A:22, based on residency requirements.

R13. Residency

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools recommends that student bearing identification number 1720 (the "Student") be found ineligible to receive a free public education in the Rochelle park School District (the "District") and

WHEREAS, the District has determined that the Student does not reside within Rochelle Park and is not otherwise entitled to a free public education provided by the Rochelle Park School District board of Educ action (the "board"): and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2023 the Board conducted a formal hearing at the District pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:38-1(b)(2) at which the Parent presented evidence to the Board; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2023 the Board held a formal vote regarding the Student's eligibility for a free public education in the District.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby finds the Student does not reside within Rochelle Park;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby finds that the Student is ineligible to receive a free public education in the Rochelle Park School District pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:38-1 and N.J.A.C. 6A:22, based on residency requirements.

R1-R13

Motion Mr. Kral Second Mrs. Judge Cravello

Roll Call R1-April 25th meeting minutes 5-0-1 Mr. Martinez abstained he was not present for this meeting Motion carried

Roll Call R1-May 9th meeting minutes 3-0-3 Mrs. Judge Cravello, Mr. Martinez and Mr. Kral abstained as they were not present at this meeting Motion denied will be placed on the next agenda for approval

Roll Call R2-R13 6-0 Motions Carried

Personnel Resolutions P1-P9

P1. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the participation of the persons named at the following workshops/conferences.

Name	Workshop/Conference	Date	Cost
A. Ellen Kobylarz	Systems 3000 Personnel End of Year Training	June 28, 2023	N/A
B. Ellen Kobylarz	System 3000 Personnel Processing	September 25, 2023	N/A

P2. Teacher Visit

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Ms. Lisa Kane, Crescent School teacher from Waldwick for a visit to our STEAM classes on Tuesday, May 23, 2023

P3. Extended School Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves Jessica DiCori as the teacher of the self-contained K-2 classroom for the summer extended year program at a rate of \$50 per hour for (8) eight days in July 2023.

P4. Extended School Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves Jessica Berbery as the teacher of the self-contained K-2 classroom for the summer extended year program at a rate of \$50 per hour for (4) four days in July 2023.

P5. Extended School Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves Christine Horohoe as the teacher of the self-contained K-2 classroom for the summer extended year program at a rate of \$50 per hour for (2) two days in July 2023.

P6. Extended School Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves Mary Monacchio as an alternate school nurse for the summer programs 2023 at a rate of \$70.00 hour.

P7. Hiring Administrative Staff

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the employment contract of Mrs. Rebecca Garcia to the position of Director of Special Services effective July1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 at a salary of \$90,790.00.

P8. Hiring Support Staff

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the employment contract of Mrs. Jessica DeFalco to the position of School Secretary effective July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 on Step 3 \$53,351.00 prorated to (\$32,010.60) (60%)

P9. Hiring Support Staff

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the return of Kaitlyn Boylan as a Part Time Paraprofessional starting May 16, 2023 until the end of the 22-23 school year not to exceed 27.5 hours a week.

P1-P9

Motion Mr. Martinez Second Marolda
Roll Call 6-0
Motions Carried

Finance Resolutions F1-F7

F1. Bills List RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves an additional bills list for April 2023.

A. Regular Bills- Fund 10	\$ 104,823.38
B. Federal Grant - Fund 20	\$ 20,563.72
C. Cafeteria - Fund 60	\$ 11,289.72
D. Care Program- Fund 61	\$ 131.69
Total for the month of April	\$136,807.76
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	

F2. Bills List

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the payment of bills for May 2023.

A. Regular Bills- Fund 10	\$669,398.96
B. Federal Grant - Fund 20	\$18,024.37
C. Cafeteria- Fund 60	\$22,207.36
D. Care Program- Fund 61	\$6,989.87
Total for the month of May	\$716,620.69
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	

F3. Additional Bills List in May

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education authorizes a second check run for the month of May 2023 with the amounts to be approved at the June, 2023 meeting.

F5. Extended School Year Speech Services

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the contract with the South Bergen Jointure Commission to provide Speech Services as a related service as required by IEP's for the extended year program.

F6. Payroll Authorization

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the payroll for March 2023as follows:

April 2023	
Fund Gross Payroll	
Fund 10	\$615,447.21
Fund 20	\$7,970.92
Fund 61	\$10,990.08
Total	\$634,408.21

F7. Facility Use

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the application for use of school facilities made by the following groups/organizations listed below. The Board reserves the right to schedule activities at any time which may cause changes to the calendar.

Group/Organization	Use/Purpose/Room	Dates	Rental Fee
A) Township of Rochelle Park	Summer Concert	Date Changed to August 7, 2023	None

F1-F7

Motion Mr. Marolda Second Ms. Rainone
Roll Call 6-0
Motions Carried

X. Public Comment (Agenda and non-agenda items)

The Board of Education reserves the right to hold public comment on agenda and non-agenda items, at its discretion, at its regular monthly public meetings. Public comment will be limited to three minutes per person. Citizens should give their name and address when recognized to speak.

No one from the public was present

XI. Announcements

The next Regular Meeting will be held on June 13, 2023 at Executive at 6:30 P.M. Regular Session at 7:30 P.M. in the Cafeteria.

XII. 2nd Executive Session

Be it resolved that the Rochelle Park Board of Education will convene in Executive Session to discuss confidential student matters, personnel, contracts and safety. Action may or may not be taken

XIII. Adjournment

All in favor 9:00 P.M.