

**Rochelle Park Board of Education
Regular Meeting-7:30 P.M.
January 5, 2018**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**

Board Member	Present	Absent
Mrs. Teresa Judge Cravello		
Mr. Scott Kral		
Mrs. Dimitria Leakas		
Mrs. Geraldine Minichetti		
Mr. Gerard Sorrentino		
Mr. Matt Trawinski		
Ms. Layla Wuthrick		

Others present:

- Dr. Geoffrey Zoeller Jr., Superintendent of Schools
- Mr. Brian Cannici, Principal
- Mr. Joseph DeGrazio, Building and Grounds Supervisor
- Mrs. Ellen Kobylarz, Board Secretary

III. Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231,P.L.1975 Announcement-by Board President

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, in accordance with Chapter 231,P.L.1975”

IV. Flag Salute

V. Superintendent’s Report

VI. Open Public Forum (Pursuant to Board Policy 0167 – Public Participation in Board Meetings)

During this portion of the meeting, district residents and staff are invited to address the Board of Education on any topics specifically addressed in this agenda or on any other questions, comments, or concerns that may be in respect to the operation of their schools. The Board requests that individuals sign the speakers’ list giving name and address, and asks that all remarks be directed to the Board as a whole (not to individuals).The public is reminded that their remarks are being recorded.

The Board wishes to remind all attendees at its meetings that while it subscribes without reservation to the principle of keeping the community completely informed, it cannot respond to or discuss personnel matters. If a matter concerning a district staff member is of interest or concern to a resident, the matter should be referred to the Building Principal, Superintendent of Schools, or the Board of Education, either by telephone, letter, or email.

Each speaker’s statement will be limited to five (5) minutes in duration. The Public Forum will be limited to one (1) hour in duration.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to open public comment at ____P.M.

Roll Call

TC SK DL GM GS MT LW

Motion by _____, second by _____, to close public comment at _____ P.M.
Roll Call

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VII. Items for Board Action-Resolutions

Note: Resolutions marked with an asterisk are as a result of Executive Session Discussion.

School Board Recognition Month in New Jersey

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The New Jersey School Boards Association has declared January 2018 to be School Board Recognition Month, a time that all residents might acknowledge the contributions made by our local school board members; and

WHEREAS, The Rochelle Park Township Board of Education is one of more than 581 local school boards in New Jersey that sets policies and oversees operations for public school districts; and

WHEREAS, The Rochelle Park Township Board of Education embraces the goal of high-quality education for all New Jersey public school students; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's local school boards help determine community goals for the education of approximately 1.4 million children in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's 4,800 local school board members, who receive no remuneration for their services, act as advocates for public school students as they work with administrators, teachers and parents for the betterment of public education; and

WHEREAS, School boards strive to provide the resources necessary to meet the needs of all students, including those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Boards of education provide accountability to the public; they communicate the needs of the school district to the public; and they convey to school administrators the public's expectations for the schools; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey can take pride in its schools, which rank among the nation's best in indicators such as high school graduation rates, class size, college entrance exam participation, and Advanced Placement offerings and test scores. Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rochelle Park Township Board of Education, does hereby recognize the services of local school board members throughout New Jersey as we join communities statewide in observing January 2018 as SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rochelle Park Township Board of Education urges all New Jersey citizens to work with their local boards of education and public school staffs toward the improvement of our children's education.

Motion by _____, second by _____,

Roll Call

TC SK DL GM GS MT LW

ROUTINE MATTERS RESOLUTIONS R1-R7

POLICY #0168- APPROVALS OF BOARD MINUTES

R1. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the minutes of the following meetings:

November 16, 2017 Regular Meeting and Executive Session

December 14, 2017 Regular Meeting and Executive Session

POLICY#5200 ATTENDANCE

R2. RESOLVED: that the Board of Education approves the attendance report for the month of December 2017 as listed:

<u>Enrollment</u>		<u>Left</u>	<u>Entered</u>
Midland School	480	-	-
Hackensack H.S.	136		
Academies/Technical Schools	17		
Totals	633		

<u>Pupil Attendance</u>		<u>Teacher Attendance</u>	
Possible Days	7680	Possible Days	864
Days Present	7375.5	Days Present	827
Days Absent	304.5	Days Absent	37
% Present	96.0	% Present	95.7
% Absent	4.0	% Absent	4.3

POLICY #8420 EMERGENCY & CRISIS SITUATIONS

R3. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the following Fire and Security drills held in the month of December 2017 for the Rochelle Park School District.

Fire Drill December 19, 2017

Security Drill December 20, 2017

POLICY #5512.01 HARRASSMENT INTIMIDATION AND BULLYING

R4. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the following HIB Report for December 2017 on behalf of the Rochelle Park School District.

December 2017

Reported Cases: 2

Number of Cases open: 0

Number of Cases closed: 2

Number of Incidents determined to be HIB: 0

POLICY #2340 – FIELD TRIPS

R5. RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves the eighth grade class trip as follows:

**Class of 2018
8th Grade Class Trip**

DATE: Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday, June 6th – 8th, 2018

DEPARTURE: Midland School -Wednesday, June 6, 2018- approx.7:00 A.M.

DESTINATION: Washington, D.C.

ITINERARY: Visit Arlington National Cemetery, National Archives (pending availability), Dinner at California Pizza kitchen, Lincoln Assassination Tour, visit the National Zoo, tour US Capital Building (pending availability), US Supreme Court, Library of Congress, Jefferson Memorial, WWII Memorial, Martin Luther King Jr. National Memorial, FDR Memorial. dinner at Hard Rock Cafe, performance of “Shear Madness” at the Kennedy Center, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum (pending ticket availability), lunch at Ronald Regan Building.

RETURN DEPARTURE: Washington D.C. Friday, June 8, 2018-approx. 2 P.M., with an estimated time of arrival at Midland School 8:00 P.M.

COST: To be borne by the parents

R6. RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following field trip requests:

Mr. Grossman, Mr. Panepinto, Mrs. Rainone, and Mrs. Fletcher to accompany the 8th graders to Trenton on March 23, 2017 at a cost of \$8.00 per student to be borne by the parent/guardians.

Mrs. Weiner, Mrs. Fletcher, and Dr. Sacco to accompany the TAG Vocal Music group to New Brunswick on May 30, 2018 at a cost to the district of \$150 and bus costs TBD to be borne by the parent/guardians.

POLICY #4125 EMPLOYMENT OF SUPPORT STAFF MEMBERS

R7. RESOLVED: that on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the submission of the Statement of Assurance regarding the use of paraprofessional Staff for the 2017-2018 school year, to the New Jersey Department of Education.

Motions R1-R7

Motion by _____seconded by _____

Roll Call

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PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS P1-P2

POLICY #3240 – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

***P1. RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves the participation of the persons named at the following workshops/conferences:**

Mrs. Sacco to attend NJTESOL Spring Conference on May 30, 31, 2018, in New Brunswick, at a cost to the district of \$279.00.

Mrs. Cara Hurd to attend Mandatory PARCC District Test Coordinator Training on February 28, 2018 at no cost to the district.

Mrs. Weiner to attend ‘NJMEA Music in Service Conference’ in East Brunswick on February 22 & 23, 2018 at a cost to the district \$200.00.

P2. RESOLVED: that on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves tuition reimbursement for courses taken during the fall of 2017-2018 school year as follows:

Daniela Barbieri	3 Credits	\$986.07
Jennifer O’Brien (PE)	3 Credits	\$986.07
Jennifer O’Brien (ART)	6 Credits	\$489.00
Meaghan Mallon	3 Credits	\$565.00
Kristen Colucci	3 Credits	\$244.50
Angela Jacobus	6 Credits	\$1,974.14

Motions P1-P2

Motion by _____seconded by _____

Roll Call

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FINANCE AND INSURANCE-RESOLUTIONS F1-F3
POLICY #6460 PAYMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

F1. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approve an additional December 2017 Bill List as attached and listed below:

10 – General Fund	\$11,578.59
20- Federal Grants	\$
30 – Referendum Account	\$
61 – Afterschool Program	\$
10 – General Fund	\$
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR December	\$11,578.59

ATTACHEMENT

F2. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education authorize a check run for the month of January 2018 with the amounts to be approved at the February meeting.

POLICY# 7510 Use of Facilities

F3. RESOLVED, that the Rochelle Park 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 school activities as well as construction at any time.

Group/Organization	Use/Purpose/Room	Dates	Rental Fee
Midland School Class of 2018	Media Center	1/16/18, 2/27/18, 3/28/18, 4/24/18	None

Motions F1-F3

Motion by _____seconded by _____

Roll Call

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VIII. Announcements

The next Board of Education Caucus Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. The Regular Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 15, 2018 also at 7:00 P.M.

IX. Executive Session Announcement (if Needed)

WHEREAS, the Rochelle Park Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") will convene in Executive Session to discuss confidential matters which include:

Contract Negotiations and Personnel Matters.

NOW HEREOFRE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board shall move into Executive Session to discuss the above referenced matter(s).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of the executive session will provide as much information as possible without violating any applicable privilege or confidentiality so that the public can understand what was discussed and when available what the Board decision was...

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of the executive session will be released to the public in an appropriately redacted form within a reasonable period of time after the privilege or confidentiality is no longer applicable to such minutes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the redacted portion of the executive session minutes will not be released until such time as the privilege or confidentiality is no longer applicable.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to open Executive Session at _____ P.M.

Roll Call

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Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to close Executive Session and resume the Regular Meeting Agenda at _____ P.M.

Roll Call

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X. Adjournment

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to adjourn meeting at _____ P.M.

Roll Call

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