

**Rochelle Park Board of Education
Caucus Meeting– 7:00 P.M.
July 16, 2012**

- I. Call to Order and Flag Salute**
- II. Roll Call**

Board Members	Present	Absent
Mr. Robert Verhasselt , Vice President		X
Mr. Sam Allos	X	
Mrs. Teresa Cravello	X	
Mr. Jay Esposito		X arrived 7:22 PM
Mrs. Maria Lauerman	X	
Mr. Mark Scully		X arrived 7:15 PM
Mrs. Patricia Bilka, President	X	

Others Present:

Bert Ammerman Interim Superintendent,
Dr. Vincent Occhino, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Ellen Kobylarz, Board Recording 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 Caucus Meeting were sent to all concerned individuals, associations and sent to the The Record and Our Town, in accordance with Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

IV. Superintendent’s Report: Mr. Ammerman reported the following:

- Seven classrooms and the main office will be painted over the summer. Jorge did an outstanding job painting. Carpets will be cleaned
- Re-registration- is ongoing and we are down to a handful of high school students. *Mrs. Cravello asked about Midland students, Mr. Ammerman responded that everyone is registered.*
- There will be resolutions regarding special education out of district placements for the 2012-2013 school year.
- There will be a resolution for the board to approve the end of the year reports
- Attached for the board review is the 4th marking period honor students from Midland and Mr. Ammerman congratulated those students on their achievement. Mr. Ammerman had hoped to have Hackensack’s Honor roll numbers but they were not received in time for the meeting.
- There will be a resolution on the agenda for tuition reimbursements for teachers taking courses.

- There will be a resolution approving changes to the district calendar.
- There will be a resolution to approve the board self evaluation.
- There will be resolutions addressing changes in the Pre-K program as well as a resolution to the county seeking approval on using a Kindergarten room without bathroom facilities inside the classroom.
- Mr. Ammerman reported that Mrs. Hurd will be back officially on the 27th of August – but added that Mrs. Hurd will be stopping in before that. Currently Mrs. Hurd is looking at the schedule and will be finalizing it shortly.
- Mr. Ammerman commented on the great job Mrs. O’Brien and Mr. Hornes are doing in their internships.
- Mr. Ammerman is currently reviewing board policies and they will be up for a first reading next month.
- In September, Mr. Ammerman has scheduled training for the teachers on the new Math series for the elementary grades.
- There will be several resolutions on the agenda to appoint personnel.
- Mr. Ammerman is working on putting more of the districts forms and possibly the handbook on line instead of printing.

V. Principal’s Report: No report

VI. Acting Business Administrator’s Report:

VII. Reports – Committee Action Items- Deferred to the regular meeting

VIII. Public Questions on the Resolutions (Agenda Items Only)

During this portion of the meeting, the residents are invited to address the Board regarding agenda items only.

Motion by Mrs. Cravello, seconded by Mr. Allos, to open public comment at 7:15 p.m.
Roll Call 5-0

NONE

Motion by Mrs. Cravello, seconded by Mr. Scully, to close public comment at 7:16 p.m.
Roll Call 6-0

IX. Items for Board Action - Resolutions (If needed) None

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

X. Other Business:

XI. Open to the Public (Any Item)

During this portion of the meeting, the residents are invited to address the Board with any questions, comments or concerns that may be in respect to the operation of their school.

Motion by Mr. Esposito, seconded by Mr. Scully, to open public comment at 7:23 p.m.
Roll Call 6-0

NONE

Motion by Mr. Allos, seconded by Mrs. Cravello, to close public comment at 7:24 p.m.
Roll Call 6-0

XII. Announcements

The next Caucus Meeting and Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, August 13, 2012, at 7:00 P.M. with the regular meeting immediately following respectively in the Media Center.

XIII. 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:

Personnel/ Student issue

NOW THEREFORE 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 Mr. Esposito, seconded by Mrs. Lauerman, to open Executive Session at 7:36 p.m.
Roll Call 6-0

Motion by Mrs. Cravello, seconded by Mr. Allos, to close Executive Session at 7:39 p.m.
Roll Call 6-0

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Lauerman, to resume Regular Meeting Agenda at 7:40 p.m.
Roll Call 6-0

XIV. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Lauerman, seconded by Mr. Esposito, to adjourn meeting at 7:41 p.m.
Roll Call 6-0