# Rochelle Park Board of Education Executive Session 6:00 Regular Meeting-7:00 P.M. March 15, 2018

# I. Call to Order and Flag Salute

# II. Roll Call

Board Members	Present	Absent
Mr. Matt Trawinski, Vice President	X	
Mr. Scott Kral	X	
Mrs. Dimitria Leakas	X	
Mrs. Geraldine Minichetti	X	
Mr. Gerard Sorrentino		X(6:34PM)
Ms. Layla Wuthrick	X	
Mrs. Teresa Judge Cravello, President	X	

### Others present:

Dr. Geoffrey W. Zoeller Jr. Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools

Mrs. Cara Hurd, Director of Curriculum & Instruction

Mr. Brian R. Cannici, Principal

Mr. Joseph DeGrazio, Building and Grounds Supervisor

Mrs. Ellen Kobylarz, Board Secretary

**III. Executive Session Announcement** (if needed) The Board will reconvene in Public Session at approximately 7:00 P.M.

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 disciplinary matters\_\_\_\_\_.

NOW HEREFORE 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public in an appropriately redacted form within a reasonable period of time after the privilege or confidentially is no longer applicable to such minutes.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portion of the executive session minutes will not be released until such time as the privilege or confidentiality is no longer applicable.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. Kral, seconded by Mr. Trawinski, to open Executive Session at 6:31P.M. Roll Call 6-0 Motion Carried

Motion by Mr. Sorrentino, seconded by Mrs. Wuthrick, to close the Executive Session and enter the Regular Meeting at 6:58 P.M.

Roll Call 7-0 Motion Carried IV. 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, <a href="The Record">The Record</a> and <a href="The Our Town">Town</a>, in accordance with Chapter 231, P.L.1975"

V. Flag Salute VII. Honors and Awards

# **Educational Service Professional of the Year**

WHEREAS, The Board of Education recognizes the outstanding qualities of its staff and commends them for their dedication to Rochelle Park; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education wishes to commemorate Mrs. Gomez's superior service by publicly acknowledging her as a recipient of the Educational Service Professional of the year Award for 2017-2018; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education congratulates Mrs. Gomez and takes official notice of her individual accomplishment.

Motion by Mr. Trawinski, seconded by Mrs. Leakas Roll Call 7-0

Motion Carried

Mrs. Cahill spoke on behalf of Mrs. Gomez. Dedicated, hardworking, kind, are some of the words that come to mind when she thinks of Mrs. Gomez. Mrs. Cahill feels fortunate to work with her closely in the classroom. She is valuable member of Midland School. No job is too small and she doesn't shy away from a challenge. Mr. Cannici added that we have a great group of aides, Mrs. Gomez makes a difference and her dedication is appreciated. President Judge Cravello added that Mrs. Gomez has been at Midland since 2013 as a Special Education Aide. She thanked her for the job she has done. Dr. Zoeller stated she is an inspiration. Mrs. Gomez read a short statement and introduced her family.

# **TEACHER OF THE YEAR**

WHEREAS, The Board of Education recognizes the outstanding qualities of its staff and commends them for their dedication to Rochelle Park; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education wishes to commemorate Mrs. Jacobus's superior service by publicly acknowledging her as a recipient of the Educator of the Year in Teaching Award for 2017-2018; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education congratulates Mrs. Jacobus and takes official notice of her individual accomplishment.

Motion by Mrs. Leakas, seconded by Mrs. Minichetti Roll Call 7-0

Motion Carried

Mr. Cannici spoke on behalf of Mrs. Jacobus stating she consistently delivers outstanding lessons. Mrs. Jacobus started at Midland in 2007, since then she has become a master teacher, enhancing and embracing technology in her classroom. Her determination to improve has earned her the respect of many of her peers,

parents, and students. She sincerely cares about helping others. Mrs. Jacobus thanked everyone who came tonight. She described the day that Mr. Cannici came to her classroom very serious to make the announcement she had been chosen for Teacher of the Year. Since that day she has thought about her journey to get here. Her love to participate in different things, team sports, where she learned what it is to be on a team, that's why this award means so much to her. She works with a group of incredible teachers. They hold her to a higher standard, work as a team and common goals. She mentioned Mrs. Fletcher whom she works closely with in the ELA dept. Mrs. O'Brien (Art) who was her mentor when she first started and still looks for guidance. Her inclass support aides that always go far beyond, the support she receives from the administration, BOE past and present, her students. She thanked her parents, she is grateful for all their support, and doesn't take them for granted. Her husband Mark, they are a perfect team, they complete each other, her girls make her life complete she looks forward to watching them grow. She ended by reading a passage by W. B. Mace.

President Judge Cravello spoke about how Mrs. Jacobus inspires her students; adding we owe much to our great teachers here at Midland. Dr. Zoeller also spoke highly of Mrs. Jacobus

# VIII. The Board will briefly recess following the distribution of awards and reconvene in the Media Center.

Motion by Mrs. Leakas, seconded by Mr. Sorrentino, to go into recess at 7:29 P.M. Roll Call 7-0
Motion Carried

Motion by Mrs. Leakas, seconded by Mr. Sorrentino, to exit recess and reopen the regular agenda at 7:46 P.M.

Roll Call 7-0

Motion Carried

# **IX. Superintendent's Report** Dr. Zoeller reported the following:

- There are resolutions to approve several workshops and field trips.
- There is a resolution to approve the Baseball/Softball schedule for 2018
- There are also several personnel resolutions on the agenda as well.
- X. Director of Curriculum & Instruction's Report Dr. Zoeller on behalf of Mrs. Hurd reported the following:
  - Mrs. Hurd attended the state training for District Testing Coordinators on February 28<sup>th</sup>.
  - All teaches will be receiving their first part of PARCC training on Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.
     At the training staff members will receive information about administering PARCC.
     Teachers have already been notified training is mandatory.
  - Test Administrators will have small group training sessions regarding student accommodations.
  - All students have been uploaded into PAN, and class lists and test sessions have been created.
  - We will conduct trial and practice tests for both ELA and Mathematics.
  - Testing days will be April 30-May 4

# **XI. Principal's Report** Mr. Cannici reported the following:

- Congratulated the cast and crew of "Annie". Due to weather, the evening show was held on Saturday, the staff, crew, and students did a great job.
- Congratulated the 2018 National Junior Honor Society Inductees
- Hackensack's Careers in Education Program visited our school. The program is led by Dr. Tara Jakubik a former student of Midland School and current English teacher at Hackensack.
- School will be closed on March 30, 2018 for Good Friday and April 2-6 is spring recess.

• **PTO Report** Mrs. Reardon commented that the organizers of the family game night did an amazing job, kids had a good time. Attendance was low and she attributed that to the fact that paper flyers cannot be sent home, and asked the board to reconsider. Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Chili Cook-off and brownie contest; family gym night will be April 27<sup>th</sup>. She congratulated Mrs. Meyers and Mrs. Sobeck for being this month's PTO teacher spotlight candidates.

# XII. Building & Grounds Supervisor's Report Mr. DeGrazio reported the following:

- Mr. DeGrazio took time to publicly thank his staff for their work during the recent storms and also the work they did behind the scenes for the play.
- Five classrooms on the third floor will be getting new bookcases. He is hoping to have that work done over spring break.
- The district will be installing emergency stair lift chairs, in the stairwells.
- The main elevator had a slight oil leak, he is working with the company to have it resolved.

Mr. Kral stated that the building looks great, clean. He thanked Mr. DeGrazio and his staff for doing a great job. President Judge Cravello commended Mr. DeGrazio on the job he and his men did during the storm.

# **XIII. Reports – Committee Action Items**

### 2018 School Year

**Personnel/Negotiations-**Mr. Sorrentino – nothing to report

**Business, Finance, and Transportation** Mrs. Judge Cravello reported that next week the board will approve the submittal of the preliminary budget to the county office for review. After that comes back it will be presented to the public. State aid came in a little higher than usual.

**Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, and Technology** Mrs. Leakas the committee is trying to schedule a meeting, around the bad weather. Chromebooks are here will be ready for PARCC. *President Judge Cravello explained they will be used by* 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students, comes with a case

**Special Education** Mrs. Wuthrick- nothing to report, meeting has been cancelled twice due to weather.

**School & Community Relations** Mrs. Minichetti asked the community to reach out to her with any questions/concerns and she will be happy to bring it to the board. Recently the Board and the RPEA met, we had a very successful, informative meeting. She looks forward to working together.

**Building/Grounds/Safety** Mr. Trawinski we are looking into school safety, we have several ideas and now need to look at funding those ideas. We are also looking into fixing the potholes in the parking lot over spring break. Six candidates applied through the RFP and the committee will be looking at their proposals.

Dr. Zoeller added that we will be looking into a new upgraded phone system. In fact the company will be here before next week's meeting to give a presentation. Mr. Cannici had seen this system and thought it was something we need here.

**Policy/ Legislative** Mr. Kral discussed several policies that the committee is looking into. There was a discussion regarding the policy on distribution of flyers. The board came to a consensus regarding this policy allowing the PTO to distribute flyers ahead of the board actually taking action on the policy, with the Superintendent overseeing what gets approved.

**Joint Boards**- Mrs. Leakas pointed out the dates that Hackensack will be closed for their spring break March 30<sup>th</sup>-April 8<sup>th</sup>. Hackensack has updated their school website; she encouraged everyone to check it out. Hackensack's play will be next week, and BOE meeting March 26<sup>th</sup>. **NJ/BC School Boards**- Mrs. Minichetti BCSB has a meeting planned on March 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Municipality-** Mrs. Judge Cravello there is a meeting in the works to discuss particulars regarding the farmers market.

At Dr. Zoeller's request.

Mr. Trawinski made a motion to override the policy on flyers, make it an administrative procedure until the board can approve a new, revised policy. Mr. Sorrentino seconded the motion.

Roll Call 7-0 Motion Carried

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

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Motion by Mrs. Minichetti, seconded by Mr. Trawinski, to open public comment at 8:27 P.M. Roll Call 7-0
Motion Carried

Mrs. LaFace Chestnut St. thanked the board for reconsidering sending out flyers. On another note she believes that if a child is involved in any way with an HIB incident the parent should be contacted prior to speaking to the student. She feels she should hear it from an administrator not a child.

President Judge Cravello stated the board and administration will have a conversation about it. Mrs. LaFace asked what was going on with the Genesis system. It has been down more than up. The microphone system in the gym, you can barely hear anything, is there money in the budget to replace that?

President Judge Cravello stated the district will look into it, adding that the acoustics have always been bad in that room.

Mrs. Verhasselt Forest Pl. complained again about not getting the agenda earlier. She would also like to see more items in the Our Town newspaper. Recently she has seen a drop in pictures and articles pertaining to the school, and wanted to know if there was a reason.

Mrs. Chang St. Ann Pl. is a new parent to Midland; she stated she didn't know about the Thursday folder until the end of September. Feels there needs to be more communication to new parents. She would also like to have contact information for everyone who sees her child so that she can communicate with them. Feels orientation should be more than one day, some parents couldn't come that day. Asked where does she look to see what is going on in the school.

President Judge Cravello welcomed Mrs. Chang, explained the chain of command that the district follows, encouraged her to talk to Mr. Cannici.

Mrs. Hornes Our Town Newspaper- stated she has noticed a drop in communication lately as well. She received a call from a RP Parent regarding the geography bee. The paper ended up doing an article and took a picture for the paper. They want to promote the children of Rochelle Park and stated anyone can send things in.

Mrs. Rizzo Becker Ave- feels that Midland School needs to establish a therapeutic component to education. More and more students in need of this type of program to help them deal with social situations. She mentioned a program run by Care Plus and asked the district to look into getting such a program started at Midland.

President Judge Cravello feels the concern is genuine. She will have a discussion with administration.

Mrs. Minichetti stated it has been brought up.

Motion by Mrs. Minichetti, second by Mrs. Wuthrick, to close public comment at 8:59 P.M. Roll Call 7-0

Motion Carried

# **XV.** Items for Board Action - Resolutions

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

# **ROUTINE MATTERS RESOULTIONS 1-6**

# POLICY #0168 - APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

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

February 2, 2018 Special Meeting

February 8, 2018 Caucus Meeting

February 15, 2018 Regular Meeting

February 22, 2018 Special Meeting

# POLICY #5200 - ATTENDANCE

R2. RESOLVED: that the Board of Education approves the attendance report for the month of February 2018 as listed:

<b>Enrollment</b>		<u>Left</u>	<b>Entered</b>
Midland School	486	1-1 <sup>st</sup> Grader	13 <sup>rd</sup> Grader
Hackensack H.S.	138	1-6 <sup>th</sup> Grader	1-5 <sup>th</sup> Grader
Academies/			1-7 <sup>th</sup> Grader
<b>Technical Schools</b>	17		1-8 <sup>th</sup> Grader
Total	641		1-Pre K

Pupil Attendance		<b>Teacher Attendance</b>	
<b>Possible Days</b>	8739	<b>Possible Days</b>	1007
<b>Days Present</b>	8199.5	Days Present	965
Days Absent	539.5	Days Absent	42
% Present	93.82%	% Present	95.82%
% Absent	6.17%	% Absent	4.28%

# POLICY #2431 – ATHLETIC COMPETITION

**R3. RESOLVED:** on the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of

Education approves the 2018 Baseball and Softball Schedules as presented.

# Policy #8420 - EMERGENCY & CRISIS SITUATIONS

R4. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the following Fire and Security drills held in the month of February 2018 for the Rochelle Park School District.

Fire Drill -February 21, 2018 Security Drill- February 26, 2018

# Policy #5512.01 – HARASSMENT- INTIMIDATION AND BULLYING

\*R5. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the following HIB, Incident Report for February 2018 on behalf of the Rochelle Park School District.

# February 2018

Reported Cases: 3 Number cases open: 0 Number cases closed: 3

Number cases determined to be HIB: 0

# POLICY #2340 – FIELD TRIPS

**R6. RESOLVED:** on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approve the following field trip request:

Ms. Mallon, Mrs. Jacobus, Mrs. McCormick, and Mrs. Barriento to accompany the 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to "Buehler Challenger Center" in Paramus NJ on March 26, 2018 at a cost of \$23.00 per student, to be borne by the parents.

Ms. Mallon, Mrs. Jacobus, Mrs. Raimondi to accompany the  $6^{th}$  grade students to "JA BIZ" on June 13, 2018 in Edison at a cost of \$14.00 per student to be borne by the parents.

Mrs. Hernando, Mrs. Hamilton Ms. Gomez and Mrs. Fuchs to accompany the 1<sup>st</sup> Grade students to the Liberty Hall Museum on May 17, 2018 at a cost of \$24.00 per student to be borne by the parents.

#### R1-R6

Motion by Mrs. Wuthrick, second by Mrs. Leakas, Roll Call 7-0 Motion Carried

# **PERSONNEL- RESOLUTIONS 1-9**

# 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. Giglio, Ms. Hughes, and Mrs. Cherello to attend Google Boot Camp Level 1 on June 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at a cost of \$250.00 per registration.

Mrs. Raimondi will attend the March  $26^{th}$  &  $27^{th}$ , 2018 Google Boot Camp Level 1 at a cost of \$250.00 per registration.

Dr. Zoeller to attend "Annual School Administrator's Law & Policy Seminar" on June 1, 2018 in Lincroft at no cost to the district for registration.

Mrs. Jacobus and Ms. Leccese to attend "Garden State Summit-Google for Education" on June 4, 2018 in Shrewsbury at a cost of \$199.00 for registration.

Mrs. Hernando and Mrs. Hamilton to attend "Who Stole the Chocolate" in Montclair on April 20, 2018 at a cost to the district of \$150.00 each for registration.

Ms. Johnson to attend "Assessment Strategies for Design" on March 27, 2018 at a cost to the district of \$185.00 for registration.

Mrs. Roskowski, Ms. Sherry and Mr. Stack to attend "NGSS Beyond the Basics, Grade K-8" in Montclair on April 12, 2018 at a cost to the district of \$150.00 per registration.

# POLICY#4111- HIRING\_CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

\*P2. RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves Sheryl Meyers to stay until 4:30 on January 8<sup>th</sup>,10<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>,22<sup>nd</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018. February 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 12th, 13th, and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at \$32.00 per hour, in conjunction with gymnastics program.

- P3. RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education extend the appointment of Josephine Hong to the position of Leave Replacement Teacher (no benefits) until April 30, 2018 on BA+30 Step 1 at a pro-rated salary of \$54,388.00.
- \*P4. RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves Jennifer Pinto to the Substitute Cafeteria/Playground Aide list and also the Substitute Classroom Aide List for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year at the rate of \$10.50 per hour.
- P5. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board acknowledges the completion of the below 2017-18 merit goal for Dr. Geoffrey Zoeller, Superintendent, per the attached and authorizes the Board Secretary to submit these to the Bergen County Executive County Superintendent of Schools for review and approval:

Goal #1-3.33% of base salary (\$4,495) - To increase teacher awareness and use of the Google platform and Google Classroom tools, the Superintendent will obtain Level 1 and Level 2 Google for Education certifications and will participate in and ensure that at a minimum of 80% of the teaching staff members receive at least one full-day training on Google Classroom and on half-day training on instructional techniques appropriate to their content or grade level.

# P1-P5.

Motion by Mrs. Leakas, second by Mrs. Minichetti, Roll Call 7-0 Motion Carried

# **FINANCE AND INSURANCE- RESOULTIONS- F1-F8**

Upon the recommendation of the Business Administrator to the Superintendent:

# POLICY #6460 – PAYMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

F1. RESOLVED, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the March 2018 Bill List as approved by the Finance Committee, attached and listed below:

Fund	Total Expenditures
10 – General Fund	\$849,595.73
20 – Federal Grant	\$7,955.69
61 – Afterschool Program	\$13,657.64
Total	\$871,209.06

**ATTACHMENT** 

F2. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education authorize an additional check run for the month of March 2018 with the amounts to be approved at the April meeting.

#### POLICY #6820 – FINANCIAL REPORTS

# **Monthly Budgetary Line Item Status Certifications**

F3. RESOLVED, that the Board Secretary for the Rochelle Park Board of Education certifies that pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.11 (c) 3, as of January 31, 2018 that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11(a); and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education certifies that pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2-11 (c) 4 that after review of the board secretary's and treasurer's monthly financial reports and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11 (b).

#### Transfers

F4. RESOLVED, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the line item transfers for January 2018.

F5. RESOLVED, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education accepts the Board Secretary's Report for the month of January 2018.

#### POLICY #6510 – PAYROLL AUTHORIZATION

F6. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the February 2018 payroll as follows:

Payroll

Month March

Fund	Gross Payroll	Employer Share of Social Security	Employer DCRP Contribution	Total Payroll Expense
Fund 10	543,261.68	5,964.92	721.73	549,948.33
Fund 20	3,236.30	-		3,236.30
Fund 30	-			-
Fund 61	15,043.21	1,150.81		16,194.02
				-
Total	\$561,541.19	\$7,115.73	\$721.73	569,378.65

#### F7. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the March 2018 payroll as follows:

# **Pavroll**

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# F8. Resolved, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the submission of a grant application to the NJEA Frederick L. Hipp Foundation for Excellence in Education, per the attached.

Motion by Mrs. Minichetti, second by Mrs. Wuthrick, Roll Call 7-0 Motion Carried

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Motion by Mr. Sorrentino, seconded by Mr. Trawinski, to open public comment at 9:02P.M. Roll Call 7-0 Motion Carried

Mrs. Abraham Forest Pl she asked that she be referred to as a concerned parent and not an ex-

BOE member, she added that she thought it was disrespectful for a current BOE member to like a post on social media that was racist. She believes that BOE members should abide by the code of ethics when dealing with such matters. Mrs. Jacobus and Mrs. Gomez are awesome, they never settle for mediocre. She thanked Dr. Zoeller for following through the previous Board's mission to buy Chrome Books.

Dr. Zoeller added that two/thirds of the new Chromebooks are already done being configured. Programing is going fairly quickly considering we only have one person. Insurance details need to be worked out.

Mrs. Lauerman Chestnut St asked if the board was going into executive to discuss personnel not policies?

President Judge Cravello stated that policies are discussed in committee meetings.

Mrs. Reardon Chestnut St who identified that she was speaking as a parent, asked about the district's safety plans. When she discusses it with her own children they seem to be confused about what to do when they are at school but not in a classroom, for instance at recess. She wanted to know if drills are held during these times.

President Judge Cravello deferred the question to Mr. Cannici who stated that he understands these are questions that you need to ask, all he can say is that plans are in place, and really can't elaborate any further. The faculty and staff are aware of how to direct them if need be.

Mrs. Rizzo Becker Ave asked if we could bring back the school directory, it was a way for parents to connect.

President Judge Cravello directed her to Mrs. Reardon head of the PTO since the parent teacher association was the entity that published it. The Board can't due to FERPA, privacy issues. Dr. Zoeller added it's not for the board to do.

V.P. Trawinski added he remembers the directory, even with  $8^{th}$  grade it would help with communication.

President Judge Cravello stated it's a separate issue outside of school.

Mr. Seymour Marinus St. had an observation; this is an awesome example if everyone raising community issues. He went for a walk after the snow had fallen; he stated the area around the school was plowed/shoved the best in the area. He thanked Mrs. Rizzo for her suggestion.

Motion by Mrs. Leakas, seconded by Mr. Kral, to close public comment at 9:19P.M. Roll Call 7-0
Motion Carried

# XVI. Announcements

A Special Meeting will be held on March 21, 2018 at 7:45 P.M. The next Caucus Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 12, 2018, at 7:00 PM in the Media Center The next Regular Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 19, 2018, at 7:00 PM in the Media Center.

# **XVII.** 2<sup>nd</sup> Executive Session Announcement

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Motion by Mrs. Wuthrick, seconded by Mr. Trawinski, to open Executive Session at 9:20 P.M. Roll Call 7-0
Motion Carried

Motion by Mrs. Wuthrick, seconded by Mrs. Leakas, to close Executive Session at 11:00 P.M. and resume the Regular Meeting.
Roll Call 7-0
Motion Carried

# XVIII. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Kral, seconded by Mr. Trawinski, to adjourn meeting at 11:01P.M. Roll Call 7-0
Motion Carried