

Rochelle Park Board of Education
Regular Meeting 6:30 P.M.
April 27, 2021

I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call

Board Member	Present	Absent
Mr. Scott Kral, Vice President	X	
Mr. Adib Abboud	X	
Ms. Christina Holz	X	
Mrs. Teresa Judge-Cravello	X	
Mr. Joseph Marolda		X (6:40)
Mr. Charles Schaadt	X	
Mr. Matt Trawinski, President	X	

Others Present:

Dr. Sue DeNobile, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Cheryl Jiosi, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Mrs. Cara Hurd, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Michael Alberta, Principal
Dr. Steven Lahullier, Coordinator of Technology Services
Mrs. Ellen Kobylarz, Board Recording Secretary

III. Pledge of Allegiance (a moment of silence for all those affected by Covid-19.)

IV. Open Public Meeting 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, and posted to our website based on the executive order of the Governor in accordance with Chapter 231, P.L. 1975”.

V. Executive Session

Be it resolved that the Rochelle Park Board of Education will convene in Executive Session to discuss confidential matters which include Personnel matters.

VI. Reports

A. Superintendent Dr. DeNobile welcomed everyone to the in-person meeting. A huge thank you to the community, parents, teachers, staff and students, for their cooperation during the pandemic and the recent flood at the school. As of Monday, the students will be back in the building and out of the trailers. On April 12th when we came off of spring break, we have had all the students who requested in person learning back in the building 5 half days a week. We are now Team Midland, instead of Team Maroon and Team White, our school colors. We do still have a number of students who chose remote learning, whether it be a student that is remote or in person our attendance numbers are good, so thank you to the parents and students. We recently adjusted our school calendar to use the last emergency closing day on May 28th. Dr. DeNobile thanked Mrs. Jiosi for her hard work on the budget. Mrs. Hurd will be reporting on this year’s assessments.

- B. **Business Administrator-** Mrs. Jiosi presented the Budget Hearing, the budget remains under the 2% cap. The board will vote on the budget on May 11, 2021. This budget allocates for 1 additional Sp. Ed. Teacher, an increase to one of the speech teachers from 3 days a week to 4. A part time World Language Teacher, plus one additional Pre-k Class. The power point presentation can be viewed on the District's website.
Mrs. Jiosi announced that free lunch and breakfast will be extended through the summer. The summer pickup may be limited to once a week.
- C. **Director of Curriculum and Instruction** Mrs. Hurd reported the spring state assessments have been postponed until the fall. Start Strong is the new name and the grades being tested in the fall will be 4-8 ELA and 5-8 Science. The grades are different than usual and that is due to the fact that there wasn't testing last year or this year. The district will be hosting a summer program for students that are eligible (at no cost). Students will be identified by a number of indicators for this program. The district has been working with the South Bergen Jointure on updating the curriculum content. The new revisions will take effect in September. World Language, Visual & Performing Arts is on the agenda this year. The district has initiated the process of transitioning the student database from Genesis to Real Time with a September start date.
- D. **Principal** Mr. Alberta reported that picture day will be May 6th and 7th, schedule to follow. Pictures will once again be taken outside. National Junior Honor Society induction will be held later this month. The Governor recently made an announcement that could affect the end of the school year activities. Mr. Alberta will be looking at the options.
- E. **Board Committees,**
Policy- Mrs. Judge Cravello, stated that the committee will be meeting tomorrow to discuss a number of policies and regulations that are up for review.
- G. **Board Liaison:**
Joint Boards – Mrs. Judge Cravello stated negotiations with Hackensack over the joint contract is still on going.
Liaison to the Township Committee Mr. Kral reported that the 8th grade car was a success, they are now working on a tricky tray event. OEM meeting our covid-19 #'s increased but not by any sharp spike. Township has extra N95 masks that will be going to the nurse's office.
Mrs. Judge Cravello announced that New Bridge is accepting walk-ins this Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. 10:30 to 1:30, 18 years old and above, it is the Moderna vaccine.
Mr. Trawinski announced that soccer recreation program is moving ahead more information to follow- please support the program.

VII. 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.

Mayor Artola stated there was an echo in the gym which was making it hard to hear the presentation over the internet. She wasn't able to hear all of Mrs. Jiosi's budget presentation and inquired about the percentage.

Mrs. Jiosi stated it was under the 2% cap, she asked Mayor Artola to call her tomorrow if she wanted to discuss it further. The presentation will be on the website tomorrow morning.

VIII. Items for Board Action-Resolutions Routine Matters Resolutions R1-R12

R1. Approval of Minutes

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education

approves the minutes of the following meetings:

March 9, 2021 Special Meeting
March 30, 2021 Meeting & Executive I & II

R2. Attendance

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the attendance report for the month of March 2021 as listed:

<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Left</u>	<u>Entered</u>
Midland School 491	0	1-5 th Grader
Hackensack H.S. 144.5		1-Kngd
Academies/Technical Schools 29.5		2- PreK
Totals		
	665	

<u>Pupil Attendance</u>		<u>Teacher Attendance</u>	
Possible Days	11248	Possible Days	1380
Days Present	11039	Days Present	1339.5
Days Absent	209	Days Absent	40.5
% Present	98.1%	% Present	97%
% Absent	1.9%	% Absent	3%

R3. Emergency & Crisis Situations

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following Fire and Security drills held in the month of March 2020 for the Rochelle Park School District.

Security Drill 3/29/2021 and 3/30/2021

R4. Harassment Intimidation and Bullying

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following HIB Report for March 2021 on behalf of the Rochelle Park School District.

March 2021

Reported Cases: 1
Number of Cases open: 0
Number of Cases closed: 1
Number of Incidents determined to be HIB:0

R5. Bylaws & Policies

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a first reading of the following Policy:

7510- Use of School Facilities

R6. Bylaws & Policies

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the adoption of the following Regulation:

R7510- Use of School Facilities

R7. Special Education 2020-2021 School Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a Psychiatric evaluation for student CST ID #2104 at a cost of \$750.00.

R8. Special Education 2020-2021 School Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a school clearance assessment for CST ID# 2104 at a cost of \$400.00.

R9. Special Education 2020-2021 School Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a School clearance assessment for CST ID# 2105 at a cost of \$200.00.

R10. Special Education 2020-2021 School Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a substitute aide for student CST ID# 4567 at a cost of \$288.88/day starting March 14, 2021 until April 22, 2021

R11. Special Education 2020-2021 School Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a Physical Therapy evaluation for student CST ID#2103 at a cost of \$350.00.

R12. Special Education 2020-2021 School Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the placement of CST ID#9546 at Center for Children’s Behavioral Health for 2 hours per day at \$85.00 per hour starting March 1, 2021 until June 30, 2021.

R1-R12

Motion Ms. Holz Second Mrs. Judge Cravello
Roll Call 7-0
Motions Carried

Personnel Resolutions P1-P6

P1. Professional Development

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

Faculty	Name of Workshop	Date	Cost
Cheryl Jiosi	Annual Conference	6/9-11/2021	0.00
Cheryl Jiosi	Preparing for Audit, GASB84&Internal Controls	5/18/2021	\$50.00
Cheryl Jiosi	Legislative& School Official Update	4/29/2021	\$50.00
Sue DeNobile	NJSBA School Public Relation Forum	6/3/2021	\$50.00
Michael Alberta	NJSBA School Public Relation Forum	6/3/2021	0.00
Chery Jiosi	NJSBA School Public Relation Forum	6/3/2021	0.00

P2. Out of District Special Education Aide

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education appoints Angelo DiCori to the position of Out of District Special Education Aide starting April 22, 2021 to June 30, 2021 at a rate of \$25.00 per hour, 5.5 hours per day.

P3. Leave Extension

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves an unpaid leave to Kaileigh Zander for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year and the entire 2021-2022 school year as per the RPEA contract.

P4. Resignation

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education accepts with regret the resignation of Jordyn Kessler as a teacher in the Rochelle Park School District effective June 30, 2021. We wish Ms. Kessler all the best in her future endeavors.

P5. Resignation

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education accepts with regret the resignation of Joan Kim as a teacher in the Rochelle Park School District effective June 30, 2021. We wish Ms. Kim all the best in her future endeavors.

P6. Resignation

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education accepts with regret the resignation of Richard Zavinsky as the school's attendance officer for the Rochelle Park School District effective April 16, 2020. We wish Mr. Zavinsky all the best in his future endeavors.

P1-P6

Motion Mr. Kral Second Mr. Abboud
Roll Call 7-0
Motions Carried

Finance Resolutions F1-F11

F1. Bills List

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves a second bills list for March 2021.

A. Regular Bills- Fund 10	\$ 640,777.67
B. Special Revenue Fund 20	\$ 1,956.15
C. Cafeteria - Fund 60	\$ 11,062.12
D Afterschool Program -Fund 61	\$ 427.50
Total for the month of March	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$654,223.44

F2. Bills List

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the payment of bills for April 2021.

A. Regular Bills- Fund 10	\$ 578,029.35
B. Special Revenue Fund 20	\$ 14,171.55
C. Cafeteria - Fund 60	\$ 19,237.87

Total for the month of April	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$611,438.77

F3. Additional Bills List in April

RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education authorizes a second check run for the month of April 2021 with the amounts to be approved at the May, 2021 meeting.

F4. Secretary & Treasurer's Reports

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education accepts, and affixes to the minutes, the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Financial Reports for the month of March 2021.

F5. Transfers

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts, and affixes to the minutes, the line item transfers for March 2021.

F6. Certifications

RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, as per New Jersey Administrative Code and New Jersey Statutes Annotated legislation and requirements, the following statement is approved:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(c), I certify that as of March 2021 no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1, and

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6a:23-2.11(c), I certify that as of March 2021 no budgetary line item account has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6:20-2.11 (a). Cheryl Jiosi, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

F7. Payroll Authorization

RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the payroll for April 2021 as follows:

April 2021	
Fund Gross Payroll	
Fund 10	\$570,977.55
Fund 20	\$3,912.30
Fund 61	\$.00
Fund 62	\$.00
Total	\$574,889.85

F8. Grants from Private Sources

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education accepts the *ExxonMobil Grant* award in the amount of \$500.00 to be used for the purpose of Science, Math, and STEM programs.

F9. Lightning Detection System Maintenance Agreement

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves an

agreement with the Township of Rochelle Park and Commercial Recreation Specialists to perform annual required maintenance to the Lightning Detection System. The district will pay one-third of the base station maintenance of \$330 and \$440 for the siren station located at Midland School for a total cost to the district of \$770.

- F10. Approval of Contract Amendment with Delta Dental of NJ, Inc. –Group#7675 for the 2021-2022 SY
RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the 2021-2022 Contract with Delta Dental of NJ, Inc. with the following premium schedule as recommended by the Superintendent and School Business Administrator as presented.

2021-2022 Monthly Dental Benefit Rates

One Party:	\$56.69
Two Parties:	\$101.82
Three Parties:	\$185.45

F11. 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
RP Recreation	Outdoor Basketball Court	6/23/2021-8/31/2021 10AM to 6PM	None
Rochelle Park Soccer	School Fields Monday-Friday 4-9 PM Saturdays 8AM-1PM Sundays 12:30 PM-6PM	August 21, 2021- December 1, 2021	None
Junior Explorers *pending proper Insurance	Summer Program	July 5,2021- Aug.13, 2021 7:30AM-8:00AM Before Care 8AM-3PM-Program 3PM-6PM Aftercare	\$1,000.00 per week

F1-F11

Motion Mr. Marolda Second Mr. Abboud
Roll Call 7-0
Motions Carried

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

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No one from the public chose to speak

X. Announcements

A Special Meeting will be held on May 11, 2021, 6:30 P.M. Executive 7:30 P.M. Public in the Library/Media Center. The Regular Meeting will be held on May 25, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. Executive 7:30 P.M. Public in the Library/Media Center.

XI. Adjournment

Motion Ms. Holz, Second Mr. Abboud 8:24 P.M.