

Rochelle Park Board of Education
Regular Meeting Minutes 6:30 P.M.
Amended Agenda
April 26, 2022

I. Call to Order

II. Oath of Office

Mrs. Cheryl Jiosi, Board Secretary, administered the Oath of Office and Code of Ethics to the newly elected Board Member, Adib Abboud.

III. Roll Call

Board Member	Present	Absent
Mr. Scott Kral, Vice President	x	
Mr. Adib Abboud	x	
Mrs. Teresa Judge-Cravello	x	
Mr. Joseph Marolda		x
Mr. Jorge Martinez Jr.	x	
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
Ms. Rebecca Cadena, Supervisor of Special Education
Mr. Steven Lahullier, Coordinator of Technology Services
Mr. Rex Leka, Building and Grounds Supervisor
Mrs. Ellen Kobylarz, Board Recording Secretary

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 and confidential Student matters.

VI. Pledge of Allegiance

VII. Recognition of Students

Mr. Alberta congratulated and read the names of the students who made Honor Roll 2nd Marking Period & 3rd Honor Roll 3rd Marking Period. In addition, twelve students were also honored for their short story which was published in a Young Writers Book Publication.

VIII. Reports

- A. Superintendent-Dr. DeNobile welcomed everyone, she was so happy to see everyone at the meeting. She thanked Mrs. Jacobus for suggesting to her students to submit a short story for the book, and 12 were chosen that is wonderful. Administrative Professional day thank you Mrs. Kobylarz, Mrs. Hastings, Mrs. Centrella and Mrs. DeFalco for all you do. Dr DeNobile mentioned a special activity Ms. Lesniak and Mrs. Aiello worked on this week with the students called "Don't Stress the Test". She thanked Ms., Lesniak and Mrs. Aiello for their work on this program. State testing is mandated, due to start next week. She thanked the parents for being here tonight with their children. There was a short break so for a group picture of all the honorees. Dr. DeNobile welcomed Mr. Abboud back to the board. Activities at Midland are starting back up and it is great to see them. Dr. DeNobile reported on a HIB case that did rise to the level of HIB. The School Performance Report has been released and can be found on school website with a link to the state website. Due to the fact that we have not had state testing, if you look at the report you will see testing data it's not there.
- B. Business Administrator- Mrs. Jiosi gave the budget presentation. Information on next year's budget can be found on the school website. The Board will vote on the budget at the May 10th meeting. Mrs. Jiosi thanked Mrs. Hurd who provided some of the information for the budget. Mrs. Jiosi thanked everyone who helped her along the way with the budget process. She added it's not just numbers there's a lot of other things that factor into it.
- C. Director of Curriculum and Instruction Mrs. Hurd stated that testing is starting next week. Letters will go home to parents tomorrow with information on the testing. Students will test for the next two weeks; the third week of May science will be tested.
- D. Principal Mr. Alberta Stated the school had a great assembly based on healthy eating in grades K-5, had an opportunity to try new fruits and vegetables. The district celebrated Autism Awareness week. There was an assembly called the Brain Show that was great. PTO sponsored Thank you. The Bergen County Prosecutors office did a fantastic program. The kids were asking great questions. The topic was internet safety. On the ½ day the PTO provided brunch. Finally, Baseball and Softball is back.
- E. Supervisor of Special Education Mrs. Cadena also commented on the wonderful autism awareness program with fundraising they able to purchase supplies for the Pre-K class and also send a donation to Autism Awareness. In the cafeteria a beautiful tree was created using puzzle pieces (the symbol of Autism) as the leaves. Testing is coming up and our Special Education teachers are prepared.
- F. Board Committees, as needed:
Finance, Mrs. Judge Cravello thanked Mrs. Jiosi for her work on the budget.
Facilities, Mr. Kral he was informed of some complaints regarding the condition of the outfields. He spoke to Mr. Alberta, Mrs. Barriento he also walked the fields. He found no new issue, the fields are the same as they have always been. He is more than happy to walk with the fields with anyone who has a complaint.
Personnel, Mr. Kral committee will be meeting on Monday
Policy, Mrs. Judge Cravello Nine policies are on the agenda tonight for approval, we have another policy meeting on May 16th.
Negotiations, Mrs. Judge Cravello stated the next meeting is set for May 5th.
- G. Board Liaison:
Liaison to the Township Committee Mr. Kral announced that opening day for baseball would be on Saturday 11AM. Board is invited. He encouraged parents to check out the Rochelle Park Recreation Website, where you can see all of the town events.
President Trawinski congratulated Lucille Blaine on making the dean's list at Rochester College.
Mrs. Judge Cravello added that her daughter Kathleen has received her master's in Chemical Engineering Congratulations to the Teacher's here at Midland and thank you for being part of Kathleen's journey.

President Trawinski proudly announced his son Dylan is a 1st year Med student.
 President Trawinski asked for a Moment of Silence for Joe Marolda's brother.

IX. 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 choose to speak

X. Items for Board Action-Resolutions Routine Matters Resolutions R1-R7

R1. Approval of Minutes

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

March 22, 2022 Special Meeting & Executive I & II
 March 29, 2022 Meeting & Executive I

R2. Attendance

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the attendance report for the month of March 2022 as listed:

Enrollment

Midland School 510
 Hackensack H.S. 144.5
 Academies/Technical Schools 29.5
 Totals 684

Pupil Attendance

Possible Days 11200
 Days Present 10531.5
 Days Absent 668.5
 % Present 94%
 % Absent 6%

Teacher Attendance

Possible Days 1298
 Days Present 1257.5
 Days Absent 40.5
 % Present 96.8%
 % Absent 3.2%

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 2022 for the Rochelle Park School District.

Fire Drill March 18, 2022
 Security Drill March 2, 2022

R4. Harassment Intimidation and Bullying

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following HIB Report for March 2022 on behalf of the Rochelle Park School District.

March 2022

Reported Cases: 2

Number of Cases open: 0

Number of Cases closed: 1

Number of Incidents determined to be HIB:1

R5. Bylaws & Policies

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the adoption of the following Policies and Regulations:

- a. 2415.05 - Student Surveys, Analysis, Evaluations, Examinations, Testing, or Treatment - Policy (M)
- b. 2431.4 - Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries - Policy & Regulation (M)
- c. 2451 - Adult High School - Policy (M)
- d. 2460.30 - Additional/Compensatory Special Education and Related Services – Regulation (M)
- e. 2622 - Student Assessment - Policy (M)
- f. 2622 – Student Assessment - Regulation (M)
- g. 3233 - Political Activities – Policy
- h. 8465 - Bias Crimes and Bias-Related Acts Policy & Regulation (M)
- i. 9560 - Administration of School Surveys - Policy

R6. Special Education 2020-2021 School Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves payment of the Psychiatric Evaluation and Report for CST # 2112 on March 22, 2022 for the amount of \$625.

R7. Field Trips

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following field trips during the 2021-2022 school year. All costs per student to be borne by the parents.

Date of Trip	Group	Location	Cost
A) May 13, 2022	4 th Grade	Meadowlands Environmental Center	\$34.00
B) June 9, 2022	5 th Grade	Medieval Times	\$52.00
C) June 1, 2022	8 th Grade	Trenton NJ	\$30.00

R1-R7

Motion. Kral Second Mr. Martinez Jr.

R1 4-0-1 (Mr. Abboud abstained from R1)

R2-R7 5-0

Motions Carried

Personnel Resolutions P1-P5

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
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a) Ellen Lender	Creative Interventions for Children and Adolescents with Anxiety	4/27/2022	\$60.00
b) Michele Hastings	Google workshop	6/27-6/30/2022	\$160.00
c) Ellen Kobylarz	Google workshop	6/27-6/30/2022	\$160.00
d) Jessica DiCori	So, you have a student who can't self-regulate	5/12/2022	\$79.00

P3. Retirement

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education accepts Debra Pinto's retirement request with the Rochelle Park School District effective June 1, 2022. The board wished Mrs. Pinto all the best in her retirement.

P4. Leave

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves an unpaid leave for employee #60470036 with the Rochelle Park School District effective Friday May 20, 2022 to May 26, 2022 with a return on Tuesday May 31, 2022.

P5. Speech Clinical Placement

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves Danielle DeMarco for her Speech Clinical Placement starting in September 2022 until the end of her semester in December 2022. Ms. DeMarco will work with Mrs. Latronica three days a week.

P1-P5

Motion Mr. Kral Second Mr. Martinez Jr.

Roll call 5-0

Motion Carried

Finance Resolutions F1-F15

F1. Bills List

RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the payment of bills for April 2022.

A. Regular Bills- Fund 10	\$ 1,168,153.21
B. Special Revenue Fund 20	\$ 39,971.41
C. Cafeteria - Fund 60	\$ 27,970.06
D. Care Program -Fund 61	\$ 8,880.90
Total for the month of April	

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 1,244,975.88

F2. 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 2022 with the amounts to be approved at the May, 2022 meeting.

F3. 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 February 2022.

F4. Transfers

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education accepts, and affixes to the minutes, the line item transfers for February 2022.

F5. 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 February 2022 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 February 2022 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

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F9. Payroll Authorization

RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the payroll for March 2022 as follows:

March 2022	
Fund Gross Payroll	
Fund 10	\$ 591,343.34
Fund 20	\$ 7,443.30
Fund 61	\$ 11,022.74
Fund 62	.00 -
Total	\$ 609,809.38

F10. Donation

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education accepts the donation of the Brain Show assembly program from the Midland School PTO.

F11. Donation

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education accepts the donation from Mr. Justin Kemp who applied for an opportunity through Harbor Freight and was awarded \$250.00 to purchase a 30-inch 4 drawer tech cart for the band program. Thank you, Mr. Kemp, for donating this equipment to the school.

F12. Contract

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the Region V non-member service agreement for the 2022-2023 school year.

F13. Shared Service

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education acknowledges the shared service with Maywood Board of Education to provide three buses for the Midland Student to participate in their annual school bus evacuation drills.

F14. 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) Maywood Youth Athletic Organization	Baseball Field	4/10/22 4:PM 4/16 1PM 4/19 6PM 4/21 6PM 4/24 11AM 5/1 9:30AM 5/3 6PM 5/18 6PM	N/A
b) Maywood Board of Education	Baseball Field	4/6 4PM 4/26 4PM 5/4 4PM 5/11 4PM	N/A
c) Rochelle Park Memorial Day Parade Committee	30 Chairs	5/30/2022	N/A

F15. Approval of Contract Amendment with Delta Dental of NJ, Inc. –Group#7675 for the 2022-2023 SY

RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the 2022-2023 Contract with Delta Dental of NJ, Inc. with the following premium schedule as recommended by the Superintendent and School Business Administrator as presented.

2022-2023 Monthly Dental Benefit Rates

One Party:	\$58.39
Two Parties:	\$104.87
Three Parties:	\$191.01

F1-F15

Motion Mr. Martinez Jr. Second Mr. Kral
Roll call 5-0

Motions Carried

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Ms. Artola Howard Ave- Ms. Artola clarified that at the May 10th meeting the board will vote on the Budget. The town will have Rochelle Park Day on May 21st. Movie Night is Sunday May 22nd. The Police Dept held a special awareness day recognizing residents with autism. The town issued a proclamation.

XII. Announcements

A Special Meeting will be held on May 10, 2022, 6:30 P.M. Executive Session, 7:30 P.M. Public Session, in the Gymnasium. The Regular Meeting will be held on May 24, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. Executive Session, 7:30 P.M. Public Session, in the Gymnasium.

XIII. Adjournment

Motion Mr. Kral Second Mr. Martinez Jr. 8:56 P.M.
Ayes 5
Nays 0
Meeting Adjourned