

**Rochelle Park Board of Education**

Executive Session 6:30 PM  
Regular Meeting 7:30 P.M  
September 26, 2023

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**Mr. Trawinski**

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Mrs. Kobylarz**

Board Member	Present	Absent
Mr. Scott Kral, Vice President	X	
Mrs. Teresa Judge-Cravello	X	
Mr. Joseph Marolda	X	
Mr. Jorge Martinez Jr.	X	
Ms. Elaine Rainone	X	
Mr. Charles Schaadt	X	
Mr. Matt Trawinski, President	X	

Others Present:  
Dr. Sue DeNobile, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. James Riley, Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Mrs. Cara Hurd, Director of Curriculum & Instruction  
Mrs. Rebecca Garcia, Director of Special Services  
Dr. Courtney Carmichael, Principal of Midland School  
Mrs. Ellen Kobylarz, Board Recording Secretary

**III. MEETING NOTICE STATEMENT**

**Mr. Trawinski**

In accordance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as specified in the Act. Notices announcing the date, time and place for this Regular Meeting were sent at least 48 hours prior to the time of this meeting to all concerned individuals, associations and sent to the, The Record, and The Our Town, posted on the District website.

**IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Be it resolved that the Rochelle Park Board of Education will convene in Executive Session to discuss confidential matters pursuant to NJSA 10:4-12 which include personnel, legal matters, policy, and safety.

**V. CALL TO ORDER (return to public meeting)**

**Mr. Trawinski**

Called meeting back to order at 7:40PM

**VI. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## VII. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Superintendent- Dr. DeNobile stated it was so nice to see everyone tonight. Thanking everyone for the smooth opening of school, everyone came together. We have two presentations. We will be honoring our 4th marking period students from last year and that is because we don't have this information in time to do it at the end of the year. and then a Presentation with Rochelle Park Police Department: to honor our School Crossing Guards thank you Chief Pinto and Lt. Kukalski for partnering with us for this presentation. Dr. DeNobile addressed the playground and a regulation update on the agenda for playground use. She acknowledged that the improvements to the playground were a wonderful thing for the children, but we also have to be good neighbors and keep the noise level and the length of time the area is open into consideration. She met with the owner of the adjacent property, so we are now putting a regulation in place. Thank you to the Police department for helping to enforce the rules and keeping it a positive place for everyone. Dr. DeNobile was pleased to announce that Lt Kenneth Stapleton, will be in the district everyday as our SRO officer. Thank you again to the RPPD for partnering with us.
- B. Business Administrator- Dr. Riley had no report
- C. Director of Curriculum and Instruction Mrs. Hurd for students who took tests last spring. Reports will be sent home next week. A report on the scores will be given at the Oct Board meeting. For our testing this year we will again be starting with our linkin benchmarks, which identifies strong/weak points. Basic Skills instruction is beginning if your child qualifies you will be receiving an email. More information on later testing to follow.
- D. Principal, Dr. Carmichael, back to school night was held last week, thank you to PTO, picture day was also last week, makeup date TBA. Cap and Gown measurements for 8th graders took place today. Mr. Grossman gave a presentation last week on the 8th grade trip. Our soccer team has been participating in games. Information on the first Principal advisory meeting will be going out soon. PTO events, general meeting 10/10, Trunk or Treat 10/14. Dine to donate every month at Amici's in Maywood
- E. Director of Special Services- Mrs. Garcia stated next month there will be a presentation by her student intern on activities for Hispanic Heritage month, wellness family bingo night is 10/15, DLM testing scores from last year were mailed home. There's a new recess program.
- F. Board Committees, as needed:
- Curriculum** Ms. Rainone no report at this time
  - Finance** not at this time
  - Facilities** Scott Kral- new basketball courts keep bikes and skateboards off the court it will ruin it. Pets should also not be in the playground area.
  - Personnel** no report
  - Policy**- Mrs. Judge Cravello- recreational use of playground, committee met, we have a policy but not a regulation. A regulation gives you the rules for the playground. Hours dawn and dusk, no dangerous activities, no alcohol, gambling, no skateboards, bikes, nothing with fuel, no pets. Vehicles cannot be left on the property overnight without express permission. This includes William St. which is difficult to plow in bad weather when cars are present. Use of the playground by organized groups is by policy and regulation.
  - Negotiations** no report
  - Board Liaison:**
    - NJSBA/BCASA- Mr. Martinez gave an NJSBA updates 10/3 meeting. Focus on legislation topics. Also Labor summit NJSBA workshop next month. 10/23/1026
    - Joint Boards no report at this time
    - Municipality- Mr. Kral, look for recreation Basketball sign ups.
- G. Presentation with Rochelle Park Police Department: School Crossing Guards. *Dr. DeNobile started by saying. Our crossing guards are a friendly face, they are the first contact in the morning with our students, no matter what the weather is. Thank you for protecting and caring*

*for our students as they walk to and from school. Chief Pinto remembered his crossing guards when he was a child. He also reflected on Dr. DeNobile remarks on partnership and we really do have a good partnership relationship. He is honored to stand here before the crossing guards to honor them. Lt. Kukalski also spoke highly of the crossing guards and their dedication to their position. Crossing Guards were given Certificates. The Police Dept also presented them with a gift card.*

- H. Presentation: Honor Roll 4th Marking Period 2022-23 SY Dr. Carmichael read the names of the 80 students who made the honor roll for the 4th marking period. Students were awarded with a homework pass. Congratulations on your hard work.

There was a short recess at this time for group pictures the board re-convened at 8:16 PM

## **VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda Items Only)**

The Board of Education reserves the right to hold public comment on agenda items, at its discretion, at its regular monthly public meetings. Public comment will be limited to three minutes per person. Citizens should give their name and address when recognized to speak.

Ms. Holz Forest Pl- inquired on resolution A6- High Impact Tutoring Grant.

*Dr Riley stated it is a competitive grant issued to fill in the gaps in learning due to covid. The program is for areas of ELA & Math to fill in the gaps. Final figure the district applied for was about \$90,000.00. It was submitted last week, we have not heard back from the state. If we do get the grant the board will have to accept it.*

Mrs. Abraham Forest Pl Regarding F9g Thanked the Board on behalf of the Class of 2024 The resolution grants the 8th grade car wash. She hopes to see everyone there on Saturday.

## **IX. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION - Resolutions**

### **ROUTINE MATTERS:**

#### R1. Approval of Minutes

Be it resolved that the Rochelle Park Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the minutes of the following meeting(s):

August 29, 2023 Regular Meeting and Executive Session

R1 Motion: Mrs. Judge Cravello Second: Mr. Martinez Jr.

Roll Call 7-0 Motion Carried

### **ADMINISTRATION**

A1 - A8

#### A1. Statement of Assurance

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the submission of the Biannual Statement of Assurance Regarding the Use of Paraprofessional Staff 2023-2024 school year, to the New Jersey Department of Education.

#### A2. Nursing Services Plan

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the District Nursing Services Plan for the 2023-2024 school year, to be submitted to the

Executive County Superintendent.

A3. Amend Business Associate Agreement-BROWN & BROWN BENEFIT ADVISORS, INC.

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Amendment to the Business Associate Agreement with Brown & Brown Benefit Advisors, Inc.

This Amendment #1 to the Business Associate Agreement, effective as of July 1, 2023 is made by and between Rochelle Park Board of Education (“Covered Entity”) and Brown & Brown Benefit Advisors, Inc. (“Business Associate”). Capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined shall have the meanings as described to them in the Agreement. WHEREAS, the parties entered into the Business Associate Agreement, dated 2/6/14 (the “Agreement”); WHEREAS, the parties desire to amend the Agreement as provided in this Amendment NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Both parties agree to amend and incorporate the definition of “Affiliate” into the Agreement as follows: Affiliate “Affiliate” means an affiliate of Business Associate that will adhere to this Agreement if Covered Entity wishes to engage in services with an Affiliate through the Business Associate during the course of the relationship of Business Associate and Covered Entity
2. All other terms and conditions of the Agreement remain unchanged.

A4. NJOSAC Committee

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education acknowledges and thanks the following individuals for volunteering to be on the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum Committee for the 2023-2024 school year.

- A. Dr. Sue DeNobile, Superintendent
- B. Mr. Matthew Trawinski, BOE President
- C. Dr. James Riley, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
- D. Mrs. Cara Hurd, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
- E. Dr. Courtney Carmichael, Principal
- F. Mrs. Rebecca Garcia, Director of Special Services
- G. Mrs. Lisa Fletcher, RPEA Representative
- H. Mrs. Maria Kordosky, Teacher Representative

A5. Fundraiser

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a David Cookies fundraiser for the Midland School Student Council from October 3, 2023-October 21, 2023. Sales shall not be conducted door to door. Funds to be used for Student Council activities.

A6. High Impact Tutoring Grant

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the submission of the High Impact Tutoring Grant application through the New Jersey Department of Education.

A7. Gifted Education Service Report

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the submission of the Gifted Education Service Report to the New Jersey Department of Education.

A8. School Resource Officer

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves, with appreciation, Lt. Kenneth Stapleton from the Rochelle Park Police Department as School Resource Officer effective September 29, 2023.

A1 - A8 Motion:Mr. Kral Second: Mr. Schaadt

Roll Call 7-0

Motion Carried

A4- Mrs. Judge Cravello asked Dr. Can you explain what NJQSAC is.

*Mrs. Judge Cravello asked Dr. DeNobile to explain what NJQSAC is.*

*Dr. DeNobile stated that NJQSAC stands for New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum. It's a tool developed by the NJDOE to measure the district's strengths and weaknesses. Monitors five areas Fiscal, Operations, Personnel, Instruction and Program, & Governance. Occurs usually once every three years, due to covid it's been a little longer since our last review. Dept of Education employees will visit the school. It's an extensive look into our school system. and we are doing everything we need to do to make it a smooth process.*

## CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

C1 -C5.

C1. Professional Development

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approve the participation of the person named at the following workshop/conference during the 2023-2024 school year.

	Name	Workshop/Conference	Date	Cost	Account
a	Rex Leka	PEOSH/NJ ADP	March 15, 2024	N/A	N/A
b	Rex Leka	IPM	October 27, 2023	N/A	N/A
c	Sue DeNobile	NJFLA & FMLA Training Session	October 16, 2023	\$145.00 Additional expenses based on OMB guide	20-270-200-500-000
d.	Sue DeNobile	HIB Training	October 2, 2023	\$145.00 Additional expenses based on OMB guide	20-270-200-500-000
e.	Klaudia Lesniak	Handle With Care, Recertification	November 3, 2023	\$300.00	20-270-200-500-000
f.	Christine Horohoe	Handle with Care	November 3, 2023	\$300.00	20-270-200-500-000
g.	Christine Horohoe	Practical strategies for Improving the behavior of attention seeking, manipulative and challenging students	Online	\$279.00	11-000-218-320-000

h.	Klaudia Lesniak	Practical strategies for Improving the behavior of attention seeking, manipulative and challenging students	Online	N/A	
g.	Donna Johnson	IXL Live	October 5, 2023	\$95.00	20-231-200-500-000
h.	Jessica DiCori	New Jersey Association of Learning Consultants- Fall Symposium 2023- Who's In? Determining Eligibility	October 20, 2023	\$165	20-70-200-500-000

**C2. Field Trip**

RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the itinerary for the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to Washington DC as follows.

Class of 2024  
8th Grade Class Trip

DATE: Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday, June 5, 2024 – June 7, 2024

DEPARTURE: Midland School -Wednesday, June 5, 2024- approx. 7:00 A.M.

DESTINATION: Washington, D.C.

ITINERARY: \*Tour the National Archives, Jefferson Memorial FED Memorial, WWII Memorial and Martin Luther King Jr National Memorial. Participate in the Lincoln Assassination Tour (pending availability). Visit the Washington National Zoo, Smithsonian Institute, Capitol Hill area. See a performance at JFK Center for Performing Arts (pending availability). Visit Arlington National Cemetery, Holocaust Memorial Museum

RETURN DEPARTURE: Washington D.C. Friday, June 7, 2024-approx. 2 P.M., with an estimated time of arrival at Midland School 8:00 P.M.

COST \*To be borne by the parents

\* Tour costs and itinerary items are accurate at this time and subject to availability and revision without notice, when owing to circumstances beyond the control of Gerber Tours, Inc.

**C3. National Hispanic Heritage Month**

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education recognizes National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15, 2023 to October 15, 2023.

**C4. Week of Respect**

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

recognizes the week of October 2, 2023 to October 6, 2023 as a 'Week of Respect'.

C5. School Violence Awareness Week

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education recognizes the week of October 16, 2023 to October 20, 2023 as 'School Violence Awareness Week'.

C1-C5. Motion: Ms. Rainone Second: Mr. Marolda  
Roll Call 7-0  
Motion Carried

## **FINANCE**

F1 - F20

F1. Secretary & Treasurer's Report - July 2023

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the acknowledgement and acceptance of the reports of the Board Secretary (Appendix A) and Treasurer of School Monies (Appendix B) for the period ending July 31, 2023.

F2. Secretary & Treasurer's Report - August 2023

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the acknowledgement and acceptance of the reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the period ending August 30, 2023.

F3. Monthly Budgetary Line Item Status Certifications

RESOLVED, that the Board Secretary for the Rochelle Park Board of Education certified that pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.11 9c) 3, as of July, August 2023 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).

F4. Payment of Goods and Services

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the payment of bills and mandatory payments dated August 2023 in the total amount of \$529,920.94.

F5. Payment of Goods and Services

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the payment of bills and mandatory payments dated September 26, 2023 in the total amount of \$359,771.20.

F6. Transfers

RESOLVED, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23-2.11(c)3ii and NJSA 18A:22-8-1, the line item transfers for July 2023.

F7. Transfers

RESOLVED, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves, in compliance with NJAC 6A:23-2.11(c)3ii and NJSA 18A:22-8-1, the line item transfers for August 2023.

F8. Payroll Authorization

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the payroll for September 2023 as follows:

Fund 10	\$ 608,174.96
Fund 20	\$ 4,378.50
Fund 61	\$ 4,058.00
Total	\$ 616,611.46

F9. Request for Use of School Facilities

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent 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 cancel activities when school is closed as well as schedule school activities and construction at any time as needed.

	Group/Organization	Use/Purpose	Location/Room	Dates	Rental Fee
a.	Rochelle Park Recreation	Youth Basketball	Gymnasium -	Mon/Friday Nov 20, 2023-March 29, 2024 5:30PM-9:00PM	N/A
b.	Rochelle Park Recreation	Adult Basketball	Gymnasium - will work with Youth schedule	Wednesday January 3, 2024-March 27, 2024 5:30PM-9:00PM	N/A
c.	Dept of Special Services	Family Bingo Night	Multi-purpose Room	Wednesday, Oct 18, 6-9PM	N/A
d.	RP PTO	PTO Board/General Meetings	Media Center	Sept 12; Nov 14; Jan 9, 2024; Feb 13, March 12, May 7 6-8:30PM	N/A
e.	RP PTO	Trunk or Treat	Parking Lot	Saturday, Oct 14, 1-9:30PM	N/A
f.	RP PTO	Halloween Dance	Multi-purpose Room	Friday, Oct 20, 5:30-10PM	N/A
g.	Class of '24 Parents	Car Wash	Parking Lot	Saturday, Sept 30, 8AM-3PM	N/A



F10. Contract

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent the Board of Education approves the Out of District contract for a Full-time 1:1 paraprofessional with Bergen County Special Services for CST#7890 for the 2023-2024 school year at a rate of \$50,985.

Account: 11-000-217-320-000

F11. Evaluation

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a Physical Therapy Evaluation for CST #2401 to be completed at a rate of \$325.

F12. Evaluation

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves a Developmental Pediatric Evaluation for CST #2402 to be completed at a rate of \$700.

Account: 11-000-219-320-000

F13. Extended Year

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the Fedcap School Out of District Extended School Year tuition for CST # 0912 for the amount of \$16,345.

F14. Hospital (Bedside) Instruction - Bergen County Special Services-

RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, The Board of Education approves the Annual Education Services Agreement with Bergen County Special Services to provide hospital bedside instruction at a rate of \$65 per hour.

F15. Tuition Reimbursement

RESOLVED: that on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the first half of the tuition reimbursement for courses taken during the fall 2023-2024 school year as follows:

	Name	Amount due	# of credits
a.	Laurel Barriento	\$600.00	9
b.	Samara Latronica	\$592.50	9
c.	Tara Mizzoni	\$607.50	9
d.	Lisa Fletcher	\$244.50	3

Account: 11-000-291-280-000

F16. Tuition Reimbursement-REVISED

RESOLVED: that on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the remainder of the tuition reimbursement for courses taken during the 2022-2023 school year as follows:

	Name	Amount due
e.	Justin Kemp	\$610.87
g.	Daniela Kestenholz	\$3477.66

Account: 11-000-291-280-000

F17. Movement on the Guide September 2023

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following faculty crossovers on the guide as of September 1, 2023:

Name	Current Guide Placement	Moving to
Amanda Bellagamba	MA Step 5	MA+15 Step 5
Laurel Barriento	MA Step 11	MA+15 Step 11
Stephanie Fernandes	BA+30 Step 8	MA Step 8
Samara Latronica	MA Step 9	MA+30 Step 9
Tara Mizzoni	MA+15 Step 6	MA+30 Step 6
Alison Sparaga	BA+30 Step 7	MA Step 7

F18. Membership Dues

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the membership dues for Rebecca Garcia to join the Council of Exceptional Children and Counsel for Administrators of Special Education at a cost of \$275.00 for the year.  
Account: 11-000-219-890-000

F19. Pearson Q-global

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the purchase of Goldman Fristo (GFTA-3, Expressive Vocabulary Test-3 (EVT-3), and Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test (PPVT-3) protocols through Pearson Q-global. The invoice total of \$178.50.  
Account: 11-000-219-600-000

F20. Approval of Joint Transportation Agreement -REVISED

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves a Joint Transportation Agreement whereby the Maywood Board of Education will act as the Host District providing transportation services as specified below to the Joiner District, the Rochelle Park Board of Education.

Route	Destination	Students	Cost
AT-1	Applied Tech HS	3	\$9,000
ID-1	Northern Valley HS	5	\$20,000
BA-1	Bergen Academies-Hackensack	7	\$17,500
RD-1	River Dell MS/HS	1	\$6,500
BCT-1	Teterboro	14	\$24,500

F1 - F20 Motion: Mr. Martinez Jr. Second: Mrs. Judge Cravello  
Roll Call 7-0  
Motions Carried

**PERSONNEL**

P1 - P6

P1. Appointment(s) Non-Certificated Staff:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following appointments of **Non-Certificated Staff**, effective for the dates listed below, and in some cases, pending N.J.S.A. 18A; 6-7.1 et.seq., requesting authorization for emergent hiring pending completion of criminal history check.

	Name	Role	Salary	Start	End	Replacing / New / Transfer	Account
1.	Ayana Elfayoumi	Part-Time Paraprofessiona l	\$23.00/hr	10/2/2023	6/30/2024	Replacing: Mary Zambrano	
2.	Vaughn McEachin	Part-time Paraprofessiona l	\$23.00/hr	on or about 10/2/2023	6/30/2024	Transfer (voluntary) from Out-of-District Paraprofessional to In-District Paraprofessional	
3.	Maxwell Keener	Custodian	Step 1 \$46,454.00 (prorated)	Pending Background checks	6/30/2024	New	

P2: Appointment(s) of Substitute(s):

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following appointments of **Substitutes**, effective for the dates listed below, and in some cases, pending N.J.S.A. 18A; 6-7.1 et.seq., requesting authorization for emergent hiring pending completion of criminal history check.

	Name	Role	Salary	Start	End	Account
1.	Kaitlyn Boylan (pending Background check)	Substitute Teacher	\$120/day	9/30/23	6/30/24	11-120-000-101-002 11-130-100-101-002
2.	Steven Grossman	Substitute Teacher	\$120/day	9/30/23	6/30/24	11-120-000-101-002 11-130-100-101-002

P3. Resignations:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following resignations effective for the dates listed below.

	Name	Role	Effective Date of Resignation	Comment(s)
1.	Gutkowski, Joan	Teacher	12/30/23	We wish Mrs. Gutkowski all the best in her retirement and thank her for 33 years of service at Midland School.
2.	Carney, Susan	Teacher	12/30/23	We wish Mrs. Carney all the best in her retirement and thank her for 22 years of service at Midland School.
3.	Barrios, Vilma	Cafeteria/Play ground Aide	9/6/2023	We wish Mrs. Barrios all the best in her future endeavors.

*Many of the Board members commented on this resolution. Mr. Kral started by stating as much as we have to move ahead, we sometimes have to say goodbye. He talked about how Mrs. Gutkowski helped one of his children who was struggling in 2nd grade. Mrs. Gutkowski identified the issue and it made a big change. Mrs. Carney and Mrs. Barrios will also be missed. He thanked them for their service and time at Midland.*

*Mr. Martinez Jr. stated that Mrs. Gutkowski's class had an amazing start to 3rd Grade this year. He wished them all the best. Congratulations*

*Mrs. Judge Cravello also spoke highly about Mrs. Gutkowski, stating she is a good role model for her students. Mrs. Carney is a wonderful teacher and Mrs. Barrios is a fixture here at school. She wished them all the best.*

*Ms. Rainone Also wished all the best to Joan and Sue on their new journeys. Vilma all the best.*

*Dr. DeNobile stated we will be honoring them at a future BOE meeting.*

P4. Coaches/Advisors/Stipends:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following coaching/advisor/stipend positions, effective for the dates listed below.

	Name	Role	Salary	Start Date	End Date	Account
1.	Angel Baker	Stage Director	\$733.00	9/1/2023	6/30/2024	11-401-100-100-000
2.	Angel Baker	Tag Chorus Afterschool Session	\$33.00 per hour, 1 hour per week	9/8/2023	6/14/2023	11-401-100-100-000

P5. Superintendent's Evaluation Tool

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the use of the Superintendent Annual Performance Report tool as the document to evaluate the School Superintendent for the 2023-2024 school year.

P6. Structured Learning Agreement with Bergen County School District.

RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education agrees to provide internship opportunities to students at Bergen County School District under a (SLE) Structured Learning Experience Agreement. Further, at this time, Mr. Kevin Cox, Coordinator of Technology, will serve as worksite mentor to student(s) from Bergen County Technical High School, Teterboro Campus under the (SLE) Structured Learning Experience Agreement for technology internships throughout the 2023-2024 school year.

P1 - P6 Motion: Mr. Kral Second: Ms. Rainone  
Roll Call 7-0  
Motion Carried

## **POLICY AND REGULATION**

P&R 1. Approval of Adoption of Regulation (First Reading) - Rules for Playground Conduct:

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

R7513 Rules for Playground Conduct

P&R 1. Motion: Mrs. Judge Cravello Second: Ms. Rainone  
Roll Call 7-0  
Motion Carried

### **X. Public Comment (Agenda and non-agenda items)**

The Board of Education reserves the right to hold public comment on agenda and non-agenda items, at its discretion, at its regular monthly public meetings. Public comment will be limited to three minutes per person. Citizens should give their name and address when recognized to speak.

Mrs. DeFranco wished to clarify her wishes to opt out of the curriculum, she didn't know how precise she needed to be. She doesn't want her daughters exposed. She doesn't want her daughters to feel uncomfortable. Just wants to be sure the district understands her wishes. She claimed she received an email from Dr. DeNobile not to bring it up.

*Dr. DeNobile, corrected her position and stated she did not respond by saying not to bring it up, but instead explained in her email reply that she could not "reply to all" in an email that included all the BOE members, the reason being that would constitute a quorum and violate the Open Public Meeting Act.*

*Dr. DeNobile further stated that there is a formal form that needed to be filled out and stated in her email if you needed help with that we are here to help you. Parents who wish to opt out of health curriculum need to state what sections you want to opt out of so that the teacher knows exactly what the wishes of the parents are.*

### **XI. Announcements**

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held on October 17, 2023 at 7:30 P.M. in the Gymnasium, Executive Session will be held prior to the regular meeting at 6:30 P.M.

### **XII. Executive Session (not necessary)**

Be it resolved that the Rochelle Park Board of Education will convene in a second Executive Session to discuss confidential matters pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 which include personnel, legal matters, policy, and safety. Action may or may not be taken.

### **XIII. Adjournment**

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM all in favor.**

*This document is subject to additions, withdrawals and modifications without notice.*

*Amended on September 26, 2023*