

**Rochelle Park Board of Education
Regular Meeting Minutes– 7:30 P.M.
January 21, 2013**

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

Board Members	Present	Absent
Mr. Jay Esposito , Vice President	X	
Mr. Sam Allos	X	
Mrs. Teresa Cravello	X	
Mrs. Maria Lauerman	X	
Mrs. Dimitria Leakas	X	
Mr. Mark Scully	X	
Mrs. Patricia Bilka, President	X	

Others present:

- Bert Ammerman, Interim Superintendent/Board Secretary
- Vincent Occhino, Interim Business Administrator
- Cara Hurd, Principal
- 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 Regular Meeting were sent to all concerned individuals, associations and sent to the “The Record” in accordance with Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.”

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

- There will be a resolution on the agenda to approve several workshops and field trips.
The board had a discussion on the length of the 8th grade class trip, stipends the teachers are receiving, who would be paying for the stipend, and if substitutes will be required. It was determined that the stipends are for overnight. There’re two nights away. The board will pick up one night stipend and the parents will pay for the other. The teachers do get paid their regular salary. As far as substitutes, the district will try to utilize teachers who are not on the trip.
- The PTA is sponsoring a parent workshop by Dr. Michael Fowlin on January 29, 2013 7PM. Mr. Ammerman encouraged all to attend this excellent workshop.
- The board self-evaluation process will be done during the summer months. Mr. Ammerman would like to do it at a board retreat.

- The National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at 9:30 AM.
- There's a resolution to re-approve the NJQSAC statement of assurance. This needed to be done because new curriculum was approved after the deadline and the state advised us to re-submit the entire file with the changes.
- There will be one special education placement on the agenda
- There will be a resolution to approve the revised Emergency Management Plan. This has nothing to do with Newtown Ct. The State of New Jersey required some changes prior to the incident in Newtown.
- There are several resolutions on the agenda to approve 8th grade chaperones for the trip, substitute teachers, a maternity leave replacement, appoint a junior national honor society advisor and a school improvement committee.
- Mr. Ammerman began to discuss the professional development day the teachers had earlier in the day. He turned the conversation over to Mrs. Hurd so that she could explain the workshop in detail.

V. Business Administrator's Report: Dr. Occhino reported the following:

- February 26th, 2013 Governor will release the state aide figures.
- The budget that is sent into the state will now be on line in a new program format.
- There is a resolution on the agenda to approve the energy improvement plan.
- Mr. Esposito will comment on facilities.

VI. Principal's Report: Mrs. Hurd reported the following:

- The geography bee took place on January 4th. Mrs. Hurd thanked Mr. Cannici and congratulated Yanni Leakas for taking 1st place, Theo Leakas for taking 2nd place, and Jonathan Buyck who took 3rd.
- The spelling bee took place on January 10th. Mrs. Hurd thanked Mrs. Metcalfe and congratulated Ezra Angelito for winning the Spelling bee, Justin Mannebach placed 2nd and Hunter Every for coming in 3rd.
- Mrs. Hurd congratulated Giovanni Reynes for receiving a positive office referral from Mrs. Zavinsky for returning money to the office that he found in the hallway.
- Mrs. Hurd discussed the workshop they had earlier in the day. The workshop was on closing the achievement gap. This was day one of the workshop; the other two days will be at the end of the school year. It gives teachers strategies to use with their students. Instead of identifying economically disadvantaged children, this workshop gives strategies for all students. It helps teachers to understand the hidden rules behind family backgrounds and how it relates to poverty, beliefs and values. Mrs. Hurd said they learned that children who grow up in poverty, by the time they are three years old know two million words, compared to children who grow up in middle class families who by age three know 5 million words. Once the workshops are over the facilitators will be back in the fall to work in the classrooms alongside the teachers.

Mr. Ammerman- thanked Bob Salvini for the use of the American Legion Hall for the workshops.

Mr. Allos asked about exposure to verbal communication. Commented that today's children are growing up with sophisticated technology that they don't need to talk to one another verbally.

Mr. Ammerman stated that by using social media children have their own vocabulary. The use of more technology in the classroom was brought up. Should we get I pads for everyone.

Mr. Allos stated we can't get away from it. (meaning technology)

Mr. Allos asked if the district could do a quick survey of teachers as to who's in favor of using more social media.

Mr. Ammerman replied that the younger teachers will embrace it but the veteran teachers usually don't. We also passed policy restraining the use of social media. Mr. Ammerman stated that the attorney strongly advises not to go into social media, because of litigation issues, that's the future.

Mrs. Cravello stated that they do it in the High School. She also brought up the question of, how poverty plays a role in technology.

Mr. Ammerman explained that's why in this workshop they are showing the teachers how to teach to all students.

- Mrs. Hurd spoke about several community service projects embraced by the students and staff during the last month. A school supply drive that sent a number of gift cards to the Little Ferry School District to help purchase new supplies and materials after Hurricane Sandy. Midland students created snowflakes for students in Newtown Ct. This was a request from the Newtown Ct. PTA so that they could decorate the new building.

VII. 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 Mr. Allos, seconded by Mr. Scully, to open public comment at 8:05 p.m.

Roll Call 7-0

NONE

Motion by Mrs. Cravello, seconded by Mrs. Lauerman, to close public comment at 8:06 p.m.

Roll Call 7-0

VIII. Items for Board Action - Resolutions

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

ROUTINE MATTERS R1-R9

POLICY #0168 – APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

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

- A. December 10, 2012 - Caucus Meeting, Executive Session**
- B. December 10, 2012- Regular Meeting**
- C. January 7, 2013- Re-organization Meeting**

Motion by Mrs. Lauerman, seconded by Mr. Allos

Roll Call 6- 0-1 (1–abstain to RA & RB)

POLICY #5200 - ATTENDANCE

R2. RESOLVED: that the Board of Education approves the attendance report for the month of December 2012 as listed:

<u>Enrollment</u>		<u>Left</u>	<u>Entered</u>
Midland School	452		
Hackensack H.S	143.5		
Academies/Technical Schools	<u>16</u>		
Total	611.5		

<u>Pupil Attendance</u>		<u>Teacher Attendance</u>	
Possible Days	7232	Possible Days	690
Days Present	6816	Days Present	664.5
Days Absent	416	Days Absent	25.5
% Present	94.2%	% Present	96.3%
% Absent	5.8%	% Absent	3.7%

Motion by Mrs. Lauerman seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

POLICY #2340 – FIELD TRIPS

R3. RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves the eighth grade class trip as follows:

2013 8th Grade Class Trip

DATE: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, June 5th-7th, 2013

DEPARTURE: Midland School -Wednesday, June 5th, 2013- approx. 6:00 A.M.

DESTINATION: Washington, D.C.

ITINERARY: visit Smithsonian National Mall, Holocaust Museum, Lincoln, Korean War and National WWII Memorials. Arlington National Cemetery, Iwo Jima Marine Memorial, Vietnam Veterans memorial, Jefferson, FDR and Martin Luther King Jr. Memorials, Dinner/dance cruise (pending confirmation), White House photo stop. A tour of the U.S. Capitol Building, Admission to the Newseum.

RETURN DEPARTURE: Washington D.C. Friday, June 7th, 2012-approx.3 P.M., with an estimated time of arrival at Midland School 9:00 P.M.

COST: To be borne by the parents

Motion by Mrs. Lauerman seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

R4. RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following field trip requests:

Mr. Grossman, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Rainone & Mrs. Oles to accompany the 8th grade students to the State House in Trenton on March 19, 2013 at a cost of \$10.00 to be borne by the parents. (Mr. Grossman has received a grant covering partial cost for trip transportation)

Mrs. O'Brien, Mrs. Weiner, and Mrs. Carney to accompany the 6th grade students to the American Museum of Natural History, in NYC on June 7, 2013 at a cost of \$25.00 to be borne by the parents.

Motion by Mrs. Lauerman seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

Policy #8420 – EMERGENCY & CRISIS SITUATIONS

R5. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the following Fire and Security drills held in the month of December of 2012 for the Rochelle Park School District.

December Drills

Fire Drill- December 13 , 2012

Emergency Drill- December 17, 2012

Motion by Mrs. Lauerman seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

Policy #5512.01 – HARASSMENT INTIMIDATION AND BULLYING

R6. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the following HIB Report for the month of December 2012 for the Rochelle Park School District.

December 2012

Reported Incidents: 3

Number of Incidents determined to be HIB: 1

Number of Incidents determined not to be HIB: 2

Motion by Mrs. Lauerman seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

POLICY #2631 NEW JERSEY QUALITY SINGLE ACCOUNTABILITY CONTINUUM

R7. RESOLVED: that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent does hereby authorize the Superintendent of Schools to submit the State ment of Assurance to the Commissioner of Education in Compliance with the provisions of N.J.A.C.6A:30-3.2(f).

Motion by Mrs. Lauerman seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

POLICY #8468 – CRISIS MANAGEMENT

R8. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves and adopts the revised Emergency Management Plan, dated January, 2013, for the Rochelle Park School District as presented.

Motion by Mrs. Lauerman seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

POLICY #5120 NEEDS ASSESSMENT - PUPILS

R9. RESOLVED: that on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following special education placements and related services for The remainder of the 2012 - 2013 school year:

Case# 12-13

Classification: Autistic

Placement: Valley Program @OLV

Effective 1/2/2013

Tuition: \$69,745.00 per annum prorated including ESY

**Transportation: Region V
Related Services: OT, PT and Speech**

Motion by Mrs. Lauerman seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

PERSONNEL P1-P7

P1. RESOLVED: that on the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education extends the appointment of Kristen Gumeny to the position of Maternity Leave Replacement Special Education Teacher starting on or about March 18, 2013 until the end of the 2012/2013 school year, at a per diem rate of \$227.00 to be adjusted upon settlement of the master contract for the 2012-2013 school year.

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

P2. RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education appoints the following personnel to the listed extra-compensation position for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year stipend (\$465.00 pro-rated).

Jr. National Honor Society Advisor -Marilena Coppola

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

P 3. RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approves the following substitute teachers (pending criminal background checks) for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year at a rate of \$85.00 per day:

Tarandeep Sabharwal
Gurleen Sabharwal

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

P4. RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education approves the following persons named to the school improvement committee.

Mrs. Hurd
Mrs. Jennifer O'Brien (Art)
Mrs. Angela Jacobus

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

POLICY #3240 - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

P5. 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. Hurd to attend “The Principal’s role in closing the Achievement Gap” in Budd Lake on February 14, 2013 at no cost to the district for registration.

Mrs. Hurd, Mrs. O’Brien & Mrs. Budanskaya attend “Obstacles’ & Opportunities: Addressing the Transition to ELSS and PARCC” on January 8, 2013 in Paramus NJ at no cost to the district for registration.

Mrs. Hurd to attend “Reflecting on Assessment Data” in Wayne on March 15, 2013 at no cost to the district for registration.

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

POLICY #9180 - SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

P6. RESOLVED: on the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approve, with grateful appreciation, the following 8th Grade Parent Trip Volunteers for the June 2013 school trip: (all pending criminal history review)

Rose Buse	Sal Palamara
Vic LaPira	Gerry Sorrentino
Lori McElroy	Ed Van der Wilt

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 7-0

POLICY 4111 – HIRING – CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

P7. BE IT RESOLVED that the Rochelle Park Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) appoints Herbert J. Ammerman as the Interim Superintendent of Schools for the Rochelle Park School District extends the period from July 1, 2013 to November 27, 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Employment Agreement has been submitted to and approved by the Executive County Superintendent, according to standards adopted by the Commissioner of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7-8(j).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the Employment Agreement with Herbert J. Ammerman for the position of Interim Superintendent of Schools for the foregoing period of appointment, which Employment Agreement is attached to this Resolution and made a part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President and the Board Secretary/Business Administrator to execute, on behalf of the Board, the Employment Agreement by and between the Board and Herbert J. Ammerman

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mr. Allos
Roll Call 6-0- 1 abstained

FINANCE F1-F11

IX. FINANCE AND INSURANCE

Upon the recommendation of the Business Administrator to the Superintendent:

Approve ESIP Proposal

F1. RESOLVED that the Rochelle Park Board of Education, at the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the proposal submitted by Environetics to develop an Energy Savings Improvement Plan (ESIP).

The fee for services will be billed on the architect's hourly schedule and not to exceed \$4,000.

ATTACHMENT

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Cravello
Roll Call 7-0

POLICY #6470 – PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

F2. Resolved, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the January 2013 Bill List as approved by the Finance Committee, attached and listed below:

A. Regular Bills - Fund 11/12	\$ 727,856.44
B. Regular Bills - Fund 20	\$ 45.00
C. Capital Projects - Fund 30	\$ -00
D. Debt Service - Fund 40	\$ -00
E. Food Service - Fund 50	\$ 17,203.59
F. Enterprise – Fund 51	\$ 20,211.54
TOTAL JANUARY BILLS	\$765,316.57
TOTAL	\$765,316.57

ATTACHMENT 1

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Cravello
Roll Call 7-0

F3. Resolved that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the December 2012, payroll in the amount of \$390,161.86

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Cravello
Roll Call 7-0

F4. Resolved that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the January 2013, payroll in the amount of \$373,967.12

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Cravello
Roll Call 7-0

F5. 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 October 30, 2012 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).

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Cravello
Roll Call 7-0

Board Secretary's Report

F6. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education accepts the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's financial reports for the month of October 2012

ATTACHMENT 2

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Cravello
Roll Call 7-0

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Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Cravello
Roll Call 7-0

Board Secretary's Report

F8. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education accepts the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's financial reports for the month of November 2012

ATTACHMENT 3

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Cravello
Roll Call 7-0

POLICY#6660- STUDENT ACTIVITY FUND

F9. RESOLVED: that the Rochelle Park Board of Education accept the Student Activity Fund Financial Reports for the months of December 2012.

ATTACHMENT 4

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Cravello
Roll Call 7-0

POLICY # 6160 - GRANTS FROM PRIVATE SOURCES

F10. Resolved, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves the submission of a grant application to Rutgers Eagleton Institute of Politics for the *State House Express* award in the amount of \$350.00.

Be it also resolved, that the Rochelle Park Board of Education accepts the *State House Express* award in the amount of \$300.00 to be used for the purpose of transporting students to the State House in Trenton.

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Cravello
Roll Call 7-0

POLICY #7510-USE OF FACILITIES

F11. RESOLVED, that 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 schedule school activities at any time.

Group/Organization	Use Purpose/Room	Date	Rental Fee
Midland School #1 PTA- Spring	Meetings/Classroom- Multi Purpose Room	Saturday, April 6, 2013-8AM-6PM Setup Friday April 5, 2013 6PM-9PM	None
Rochelle Park Girl Scouts	Meetings/Classroom-	Feb.2,21, March 7,21, April 4,18, May 2,16,30, June 13,2013	None
RP Brownie Troop	Meetings/Classroom	Jan. 10,24, Feb. 7,21, March 7,21, April 4, 18, May 2, 16, 30, 2013	None
RP Cub Scouts	Meetings/Classroom	Jan. 11,24, Feb.15, March 8,22, April 5,19, May 10, 31, June 14, 2013	None

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mrs. Cravello
Roll Call 7-0

XI. Reports – Committee Action Items

Finance- President Bilka reported: That Mr. Esposito, Mr. Ammerman, Dr. Occhino and President Bilka met earlier to discuss the budget. A tentative budget will be discussed with the full board on February 4th and at a public meeting after that. The money is as tight as last year’s budget. The figures include the state aid figure that the district received last year. The committee is hoping that the state aid number is the same for next year.

Education- Mrs. Lauerman reported: nothing to report

Transportation- Mr. Scully reported: The mid - term exam schedule has been sent out for the High School. Transportation information is up on the website, pretty self-explanatory. District has been working closely with the High School to get the information out to the students.

Mrs. Cravello asked if anything in the future will be sent in the mail.

Mr. Ammerman stated bus passes will still be sent via mail.

Mrs. Lauerma asked if different buses will get different colors.

Mr. Ammerman responded yes.

Dr. Occhino stated it was a move in the right direction.

Building & Grounds- VP Esposito reported: That he personally went out and looked at the progress with the playground. He thanked Mike and the custodians for their work in getting the building ready to open during the recent snow storm.

Mr. Allos asked about installing solar panels on the roof and parking lot. The reasoning being, in the parking lot it would give cover during bad weather and cut down on the plowing, and at the same time earn revenue. Also could we look into using that huge field- maybe expand our paid pre-k program and use trailers, huts, to house these classrooms?

Mr. Ammerman stated that he believes trailers are no longer allowed.

President Bilka acknowledged that only in an emergency are they still used and for a short period of time.

Mr. Esposito stated they are going forward with the energy audit and looking at all options.

Mr. Scully asked if there was a date the playground would be ready.

Mr. Ammerman stated that due to weather the date has been pushed back, originally it would have been finished by now.

Community & School Activities- Mr. Scully reported: The recreation Valentine's dance will be held on February 8th at Houghton Hall. Dance is for all 6-7-8th graders. RP rec. basketball men's Thursday night is going strong. The work at Carlock field is scheduled to start in April with a hope that it's done before summer camp starts. Mr. Scully stated to the board there may be an increase in facility use forms for the use of the school fields due to Carlock field being out of commission.

Mr. Allos asked if Mathew's field could be used as a backup.

Mr. Scully stated it could but Matthew's is a bigger field. They may want to use Midland for the younger teams. He asked the board to keep it in mind if it does come up.

Legislation- President Bilka reported: no report

Policy- Mr. Allos reported: no report

Board/Staff Relations- Mrs. Lauerma reported: no report

Negotiations- President Bilka reported: she would be meeting with the negotiations team tonight, everything does hinge on the budget.

Joint Boards Coordination- Mrs. Cravello thanked: Dr. Occhino and Mr. Ammerman for getting the transportation up on the website. Mrs. Cravello has a rough draft of the Hackensack calendar, and is willing to give it to the Superintendent to co-ordinate with Hackensack.

Bergen County School Boards- Mrs. Lauerma reported: Mrs. Leakas, Mrs. Cravello and Mrs. Lauerma attended a school safety meeting held by Bergen County.

New Jersey School Boards- Mrs. Leakas reported: School Boards have been in existence since 1913. Governor Christie declared January as Board recognition month.

Municipal Alliance Liaison- Mr. Allos reported: that he attended a recent RP Township meeting. The Township expressed that they were pleased to see the new board in place and look forward to working with us. Mr. Boland, the building inspector resigned, two temporary inspectors have been appointed to fill in until the position can be

filled. The town is considering shared services. The library board would like a liaison to the board.

Mrs. Cravello stated they would like the Superintendent of Schools to be on the library board.

XII. 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 Mrs. Cravello, seconded by Mr. Allos, to open public comment at 8:37p.m.
Roll Call 7-0

Mrs. Rhodes- Our Town Reporter: (inquired about something Mrs. Hurd presented in her principal's report. Mrs. Hurd was informing the board about a workshop the district held earlier in the day, the topic closing the achievement gap. (see Principal's report above). Mrs. Rhodes asked do other students know which students are economically disadvantaged.

Mr. Ammerman stated that it's not public information.

Mrs. Rhodes- told the board she was curious because if people knew who those children were it could have an adverse effect on the child.

Mr. Ammerman explained that the state gives us the data and the district takes the data and gives some special assistance to help them. The training they gave today applies to all students, so all students get it and no students are singled out.

Motion by Mrs. Lauerman, seconded by Mr. Esposito, to close public comment at 8:38 p.m.
Roll Call 7-0

XIII. Announcements

The next Caucus Meeting will be held on Monday, February 4, 2013, at 7:30 PM in the Media Center and the next Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, February 11, 2013, at 7:30 PM in the Media Center.

XIV. 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, Security

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 Mrs. Lauerman, seconded by Mr. Allos, to open Executive Session at 8:38 p.m.
Roll Call 7-0

Motion by Mr. Scully, seconded by Mr. Allos, to close Executive Session at 9:13 p.m.
Roll Call 7-0

Motion by Mr. Allos, seconded by Mrs. Lauerman, to resume Regular Meeting Agenda at 9:13 p.m.
Roll Call 7-0

The Board of Education came out of Executive Session and resumed the Regular meeting to discuss the Board Goals. They came to a consensus that there should be four main Board goals for the coming year.

1. Address the "focus" designation (with respect to the subgroups) and continued work toward improved student performance in both LA and Math (all students).

2. Continue to address building maintenance/repair issues (including exploratory/preparation work for potential referendum); review and recommendations for enhanced building security options.

3. Improved communications/public relations with the Midland community as well as the Rochelle Park community and its leadership.

4. Exploration of paid summer school program.

XV. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Cravello, seconded by Mrs. Leakas, to adjourn meeting at 9:30 p.m.
Roll Call 7-0