

Rochelle Park Board of Education
 Special Executive Meeting Minutes 7:00 P.M.
 March 10, 2020

- 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. Gerard Sorrentino | X | |
| Ms. Layla Wuthrick | X | |
| Mr. Matt Trawinski, President | X | |

Others Present:

- Dr. Richard Brockel Ed.D. Interim Superintendent
- Mrs. Cheryl Jiosi Business Administrator/Board Secretary
- Mrs. Ellen Kobylarz, Board Recording Secretary

III. Pledge of Allegiance

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, in accordance with Chapter 231,P.L. 1975”

IV. Executive Session

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

Motion Mr. Sorrentino Seconded Mr. Kral to open executive session at 7:03 PM

Roll call 7-0

Motion Carried

Motion to close executive session at 7:44 PM

V. Items for Board Action-Resolutions

F1. 2020-2021 Preliminary Budget

RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Rochelle Park Board of Education approves submission of the preliminary 2020-2021 school district budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools, with a total budget of \$ 13,908,552.00 with \$ 12,081,602.00 to be raised by local tax levy for the General Fund and the following fund expenditures

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|--------------------------|-----------------|
| 11 Fund Current Expense | \$13,023,327.00 |
| 12 Fund Capital Outlay | \$214,603.00 |
| 20 Fund Special Projects | \$210,794.00 |
| 40 Fund Debt Service | \$459,828.00 |

ADDITIONALLY, \$ 303,485.00 to be raised by local tax levy for the payment of previously voter approved Debt Service.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding big ticket items in the budget such as technology, most of which is now outdated and needs to be replaced.

Instituting a new stipend position which entails PR work promoting the school within the community. The stipend would be \$640.00 per year at approximately two hours a month.

F2. Travel Expenditures for 2020-2021

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12, in each pre-budget year, the Rochelle Park Board of Education is required to establish a maximum travel expenditure amount for the budget year which may not be exceeded; and

WHEREAS, the board of education has determined that the maximum travel expenditure amount includes all travel that is supported by State and local funds; and

WHEREAS, the board of education has not elected to exclude travel expenditures supported by federal funds from the maximum travel expenditure amount;

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education hereby establishes the maximum travel expenditure amount for the 2020-2021 school year as \$15,000.

Motion Mrs. Judge Cravello, Second Mr. Abboud

Roll Call 7-0

Motion Carried

F3. BANK CAP

Be It Resolved that Pursuant to NJAC 6A:23A-10.3 (b) and upon recommendation of the Interim Superintendent the Rochelle Park Board of Education, approve the use of banked cap in the amount of \$200,000 to be included in the 2020-2021 base budget. The banked cap is for the purpose of replacing the gym floor and other improvements to the gym, this will be completed in the 2020-2021 budget year and will not be deferred nor incrementally completed over a longer period of time.

Be It Further Resolved, that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized to submit the tentative budget with the inclusion of the Banked Cap Adjustment as stated above.

F4. EXCESS SURPLUS

Be It Resolved that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Rochelle Park Board of Education appropriate \$ 96,437 of extraordinary aid funds to increase the following:

| Account | Description | Purpose | Amount |
|--------------------|--|--|---------------|
| 11-000-100-566-000 | Private School for Disabled Within State | Special Education Out of District Placements | \$96,437 |

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(d), the appropriation of these extraordinary aid amounts do not require approval from the Commissioner of Education.

Motion Mr. Abboud, Second Mr. Kral

Roll Call 7-0

Motion carried

VI. Executive Session

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

Motion Ms. Holz, second Mr. Abboud 8:38 PM

Roll Call 7-0

Motion Carried

VII. Public Comment

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 not to exceed 30 minutes. Citizens should give their name and address when recognized to speak.

No public present

VIII. Announcements

The next Regular Meeting will be held on March 24, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. in the Library/Media Center.

IX. Adjournment

Motion Mr. Kral Second Mr. Abboud

Roll Call 7-0

Motion Carried