

FINAL SUMMARY MINUTES WORK MEETING – PUBLIC HEARING - REGULAR MEETING  
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MARCH 26, 2013

There was a Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, at 6:31 p.m. in the Memorial Middle School Teachers' Cafeteria. Present were: Keith Cannizzo, Jeanne Freitag, Jennifer Pellegrine, Kathleen Policano, Arlene Rudmann, Peter Scolaro, Stephen Zaccone, Louise Gerardi, and Douglas DeMatteo. Also present were Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, Thomas Egan, State Monitor, Patricia Otten, Confidential Executive Secretary, for the taking of minutes, and members of the public.

A copy of the Meeting Notices are hereby incorporated: "...the March Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education scheduled for Tuesday, March 26, 2013, is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial High School Teachers' Cafeteria." "The Elmwood Park Board of Education will meet on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, at 8 P.M. in the Memorial Middle School Gym, 375 River Drive, Elmwood Park, New Jersey, 07407, for the purpose of holding a Public Hearing and for the adoption of the 2013/2014 School Budget. At the Public Hearing the Budget will be discussed and the taxpayers will be given the opportunity to ask questions and be heard with respect to said budget. The March Regular Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education will take place on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, immediately following the Public Hearing."

The work meeting was opened to the public at 6:47 p.m. and closed to the public at 6:48 p.m. The following individual addressed the board during the open session:

Name	Address	Topic
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Inquired about the position of soccer coach on the agenda.

Dr. Tomko discussed a letter he received from the State stating that the district would undergo a financial audit in accordance with statute, and that he would announce it to the public this evening.

After a review of the Agenda of the Regular Meeting, by motion of Mr. Cannizzo, which was seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, and unanimously approved by those present, the board entered into closed session at 6:52 p.m. Mr. Moffitt announced that the closed session would take about 15-20 minutes.

WHEREAS: the Elmwood Park Board of Education must discuss subjects Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying matters; and

WHEREAS: said subjects are not appropriate to be discussed in a public meeting; and

WHEREAS: said subjects are within the exemptions permitted to be discussed in private session pursuant to P. L. 1975, Chapter 231, it is therefore

RESOLVED: that the said subjects shall be discussed in private session by this board and administrative staff, and information pertaining thereto will be made available to the public as soon thereafter as possible once the reasons for nondisclosure no longer exist.

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By motion of Mr. Cannizzo, which was seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, and unanimously approved by those present, the board adjourned the closed session at 7:08 p.m. and returned to the Work Meeting. After further discussions among the board, the Work Meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was opened at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Middle School Gym. Present were: Keith Cannizzo, Jeanne Freitag, Jennifer Pellegrine, Kathleen Policano, Arlene Rudmann, Peter Scolaro, Stephen Zaccone, Louise Gerardi, and Douglas DeMatteo. Also present were Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, Thomas Egan, State Monitor, Patricia Otten, Confidential Executive Secretary, for the taking of minutes, Principals, Dominick Silla, David Warner, David Saper, Anthony Grieco, Kaila Gallo, district IT technician who oversaw the slide presentation on the budget, and members of the public.

After the flag salute, there was a moment of silence. A copy of the Meeting Notice is hereby incorporated: "...the March Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education scheduled for Tuesday, March 26, 2013, is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial High School Teachers' Cafeteria." "The Elmwood Park Board of Education will meet on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, at 8 P.M. in the Memorial Middle School Gym, 375 River Drive, Elmwood Park, New Jersey, 07407, for the purpose of holding a Public Hearing and for the adoption of the 2013/2014 School Budget. At the Public Hearing the Budget will be discussed and the taxpayers will be given the opportunity to ask questions and be heard with respect to said budget. The March Regular Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education will take place on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, immediately following the Public Hearing."

The State of Compliance, is hereby incorporated: In accordance with requirements of Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, known as the "Open Public Meetings Act," this is to confirm that we are in compliance with the Sunshine Law and all appropriate postings and notices have been made. The following information is Board of Education Policy: "1) Any individual addressing the board of education is to state his/her name and address and sign the register at the podium. 2) No verbal accusation against any employee or member of the board of education shall be permitted. Such accusations may be presented in writing and will be given full consideration by the board of education. 3) No action will be taken by the board of education at the same meeting on requests from the public, which may necessitate either a new policy or a change in existing policy."

Board President, Douglas DeMatteo, turned the meeting over to Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, who acknowledged students of the month, and presented Certificates of Recognition to the Winners of the Fire Prevention Poster Contest and Winter Sports Honors.

Dr. Tomko discussed testing and the new look of report cards per Commissioner Cerf. He announced that district administration went through safety training recently. Dr. Tomko also announced to the public that the State was performing a forensic financial audit and that the report would be available in September.

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Anthony Lam and Sergey Honsyan, Student Congress members, gave a brief summary of the activities of the Student Congress since the last board meeting, and plans for the coming months.

William P. Mollitt Board Secretary/Business Administrator gave a power point presentation on the 2013-2014 school budget, which ended at 8:40 p.m.

The meeting was opened to the public at 8:41 p.m. and closed to the public at 8:51 p.m. The following individuals addressed the board during the first public portion of the meeting:

Name	Address	Topic
Michael Bufis	14 Philip Avenue	Inquired as to more specific information about the Technology Plan on the agenda for approval; Comments on Final Budget increase of 2.47 %.
Richard Rudmann	1 Paul Court	Inquiries as to what health benefits term referred to in the Budget Power Point Presentation.
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Inquiries and comments relative to the Technology Plan on the agenda for approval.
Amber Duran	District Teacher	Thanked administration, teachers, and district staff for their support and help after Hurricane Sandy.

The meeting was reopened to the public at 8:55 p.m. and closed to the Public at 9:14 p.m. The following individuals addressed the board during the second public portion of the meeting:

Name	Address	Topic
Gladys Gryskiewicz	256 Fencsak Avenue	Comments on student bullying and the need to safeguard against bullying with security officers;
Robin Ran	10 14 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Complimented Gilbert Avenue School principal for his professionalism.
Martha Hayes	259 Fencsak Avenue	Comments on bullying.
Dorin Aspras	81 Van Riper Avenue	Comments on bullying.
Kaila Gallo	Student	Comments on bullying.
Michael Bufis	14 Philip Avenue	Comments on contract negotiations and health benefits; Comments on bullying.
Jennifer Mauermeyer	75 Lee Street	Comments on bullying.

**Elmwood Park Board of Education  
ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY  
AGENDA**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**MARCH 26, 2013**

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION IS BEING HELD THIS EVENING AT 8:00 P.M. IN THE GYMNASIUM AT MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL, 375 RIVER DRIVE, ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY.

- A. OPENING: ROLL CALL, SUNSHINE STATEMENT, FLAG SALUTE
- B. PRESENTATIONS:
  - a. Students of the Month
  - b. Fire Prevention Poster Contest Winners
  - c. Winter Sports Honors
  - d. Monthly Student Congress Update
  - e. Superintendent's Report
  - f. Budget Hearing – Mr. William Moffitt, Business Administrator
- C. PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY
- D. OPEN SESSION: REVIEW OF REGULAR AGENDA
  - 1. PERSONNEL
  - 2. PUPILS
  - 3. GENERAL
  - 4. BUSINESS
- E. PUBLIC COMMENTS – GENERAL
- F. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS – OLD AND NEW BUSINESS
- G. CLOSED SESSION – AS MAY BE REQUIRED
- H. ADJOURNMENT

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education acknowledge the *achievement(s)* of the following students for winning the Fire Prevention Poster Contest.

Jan Biskup  
Grade 2  
Sixteenth Avenue School

Prabhjot Kaur  
Grade 4  
Gilbert Avenue School

Yara Yont  
Grade 7  
Memorial Middle School

Milenka Walczyna  
Grade 11  
Memorial High School

Michael Pineda  
Grade 3  
Gantner Avenue School

Shamir Filera  
Grade 11  
Memorial High School

Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, congratulates and recommends that the board of education acknowledge the following *achievement(s)* of the following student(s) who have received NJIC All-League honors for the 2012-2013 winter sports season with a ***CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION*** as listed below:

### Boys Basketball

Andre Frasier – 1<sup>st</sup> Team  
1<sup>st</sup> Team All-County

Nicholas Smith – 1<sup>st</sup> Team  
2nd Team All-County

Ve'Shawn Polite – 1<sup>st</sup> Team

Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, congratulates and recommends that the board of education acknowledge the *achievement(s)* of the following students for being selected as *Students of the Month* for February, 2013.

GILBERT AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Alishba Waqas	PreK
Christopher Pereyra	PreK
Jenifer Cruceta-Balista	K
Samantha Gres	K
Daniel Gonzalez	K
Jeffrey Bryjak	K
Isabel Rosado	1
Violetta Rzaea	1
Julia Starita	2
Marco Carrillo	2
Joey Scarpulla	2
Jayden Rogalla	3
Luca Burgos	3
Gabriela Angelkoska	4
Vanja Zaninovic	4
Patrick Polus	5
Justin Zacccone	5

GANTNER AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Jordan Polanco	PreK
Brianna Sirianni	K
Makayla Neal	K
Jada Rosa	K
Anthony Mitanoski	1
Vincent Ribauda	1
Deev Shah	2
Timothy Sondej	2
Joel Iraheta	2&3
Olivia Wolleberg	3
Catalina Quijano	3
Emma Diaz	3&4
Sebastian DeSucre	4
Khushi Gandhi	4
Michael Montiel	5
Patrick Gorczowski	5
Alex Lorenzo	4&5

SIXTEENTH AVENUE SCHOOL. STUDENT NAME GRADE

Elijah Lynn	PreK
Shlok Patel	PreK
Troy Spinosa	PreK
Michael Davis	K-1
Antonio Valenti	2-5
Jason Leider	K-2
Jaida Padovano	K
Arienne Asmat	K
Johny Rosado	K
Logan DiCarlo	1
Mollie Berliner	1
Julie Jackson	1
Bruno Cavero	2
Veronica Kalinowski	2
Edward Peguero	2
Micaela Conley	3
Fatir Sheikh	3
Amelia Siczek	3
Rishab Suwan	4
Isabella Ureggo	4
Joanna Galka	5
Natalie Vega	5
Alyssa McIlwrath	5

MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL. STUDENT NAME GRADE

Yasra Al-Tarique	6
Sheryl Barba	<del>7</del> 8
Cynthia Urzo	<del>8</del> 7

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL. STUDENT NAME GRADE

Teodora Kevereska	9
Andrzeliika Soltys	10
Nicolette Cseuscsik	11
Rupinder Kaur	12

I. PERSONNEL

A. EMPLOYMENT

N/A

B. RESIGNATION

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *accept* the following employee resignation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:26-10; 18A:28-8; and Board of Education Policy 3141 for the 2012/2013 school year:

Name	Position	UPC	Location	Effective Date
Jessica Hanke Downes	Elementary School Teacher	TC11.D3.ELEMI.EI.03 11 120 100 101 03 000 00	Gilbert Avenue	June 30, 2013

C. RETIREMENT

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *accept* the letter of intent to retire from *Mr. Harry Wechtler*, High School Custodian, effective July 1, 2013.

D. COACHES/STIPEND

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the extra-curricular activity, student activity position for the 2012/2013 school year, as listed in the categories below:

Name	Position	Salary	UPC #	Location	Effective Date
Kosta Pannyotof	Head Soccer Coach	Step 1 \$5,751	036-01 11-402-100-100-01-036-00	High School	2012/2013 Season



E. APPOINTMENT of AIDES

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *appointment* of the following aides pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:16-1 and Board Policy 4125, effective through June 30, 2013, pending the results of a fingerprint check:

NAME	POSITION	UPC#	SALARY	LOCATION
Nicole Manieri	District Wide Instructional Aide	AIDE.05.CLASS.NA.D1	\$13,50 (Hour)	District

NOTE: This appointment does not include benefits, vacations, health benefits, sick leave, sabbatical leave, or any other benefits provided by contract between the Elmwood Park Education Association and the Elmwood Park Board of Education

F. SUBSTITUTES

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *appointment* of the following substitutes for the 2012/2013 school year, pending the results of a fingerprint check:

Magaly I. Cuevas-McKinney  
Mark Maier  
John Murray  
Marek Denisiule

NOTE: These appointments do not include benefits, vacations, health benefits, sick leave, sabbatical leave, or any other benefits provided by contract between the Elmwood Park Education Association and the Elmwood Park Board of Education.

G. TRANSFER

N/A

H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

N/A

I. VOLUNTEER

N/A

J. FMLA/MATERNITY LEAVE/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *Maternity/Disability*, for:

NAME	SCHOOL	POSITION	FROM	To
Erica Rodansky	Gantner/High School	Art Teacher	May 24, 2013	September 1, 2014

K. WORKSHOP/TRAINING

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following request for the 2012/2013 school year, for the following employee's to attend workshops:

Name	Position	Date	Substitute Required	Cost	Activity	Location
Caleb Rhodes	Director of Testing	April 11, 2013	No	None	Regional Presentation on Educator Evaluation	Teaneck, NJ
David Saper	Principal Gilbert Avenue School	April 11, 2013	No	None	Regional Presentation on Educator Evaluation	Teaneck, NJ
Maria Vissagio	Pre-School Disabled Teacher	March 18, 2013	Yes	None	New Jersey Council for Exceptional Children	Mahwah, NJ
Jeanmarie Gallagher	Pre-School Disabled Teacher	March 18, 2013	Yes	None	New Jersey Council for Exceptional Children	Mahwah, NJ
Caleb Rhodes	Director of Testing	March 12, 2013	No	None	Preparing for PARCC: New Jersey's Next Generation Assessment	Monroe Township, NJ
Christina Buldo	Elementary Counselor	May 3, 2013	No	None	Using Power Solving Social Skills	Oradell, NJ

L. STUDENT TEACHING OBSERVATION/PRACTICUM

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the student teaching observations as listed below:

Name	School	From	To	Teacher	Subject
Christian McNair	Gantner Avenue School	September 10, 2013	December 10, 2013	Ms. Polak	Grade 4
Jennifer Pierson	Gantner Avenue School	September 23, 2013	December 9, 2013	Mrs. Killaneh	Grade 1

M. PARAPROFESSIONALS

N/A

N. EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

N/A

O. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

N/A

P. GENERAL

N/A

Motion of: *Ms. Cannizzo*  
 Seconded By: *Mr. Berardi*

Consent Vote on items: PA PP

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
<b>AYE</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

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*[Signature]*  
 William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/Business Administrator

2. STUDENTS

N/A

3. GENERAL

GI. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request for the 2012-2013 school year as listed below:

School Activity	Loc./ School	Date/Time	Participants	Adm./Teach. Coach/Advis.
Officer Phil Program. Safety program for students on bullying & introduction to town police officer.	Gilbert	Date TBD 9:00 am - 11:00 am	Gr. K-4	Mr. Saper K-4 Teachers
PTO Fundraiser. Eco-Friendly Tupperware Sale	Gantner	TBD in April 2013	School Wide	Mrs. Martino PTO Exec. Board
Hero Breakfast. Students bring personal Hero to breakfast in their honor.	HIS Cafe	Sun. 6/9/13 9:00 am - 12 noon	All District Students	Mrs. Jackter
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation. Base students' transition into middle school.	MS	Fri. 5/31/13 9:00 am - 1:00 pm	All Gr. 5 Students	Mrs. Jackter Mr. Saper Mr. Silla
MS Guest Speaker. Ms. Amanda Switzer to speak about environmental science and life in NY/NJ Harbor	Ms. Harris-Wisneski's Classroom	Fri. 4/12/13 8:05 am - 2:45 pm	Ms. H-W's Grs. 6 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> science students	Ms. Harris-Wisneski
MS Field Trip. Holocaust Museum	36 Battery Place NYC	May (TBD) 8:30 am - 2:30 pm	Ms. Rodriguez's Gr. 7 ELA students	Mrs. L. Rodriguez
MS Fundraiser. Stick It To The Principal. Purchase strips of duct tape for \$1 each and stick the principal to the wall.	MS Lobby	April (TBD)	Students, faculty and staff	Mrs. Buffa
Officer Phil Program. Safety program for students on bullying & introduction to town police officer.	16 <sup>th</sup>	Fri. 4/12/13 9:00 am - 10:00 am	Gr. K-2	Mr. Silla
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Field Trip. Intrepid Museum. Students learn space, air and life at sea.	Pier 86, W 46 <sup>th</sup> Street & 12 <sup>th</sup> Ave., NYC	Mon. 6/10/13 9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Gr. 3	Ms. Dransfield Ms. Montone Ms. Gaita
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Field Trip. Turtle Back Zoo. Students learn living/non-living things.	560 Northfield Ave., W. Orange, NJ	Wed. 6/5/13 9:00 am - 2:30 pm	Gr. K	Ms. Canonico Ms. DiPasquale Ms. Sammarco Ms. Fisher

16 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Field Trip. Liberty Science Center. Students learn living/non-living things.	222 Jersey City Blvd., Liberty State Park, Jersey City, NJ	Tues. 4/16/13 9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Gr. 2 - 5	Ms. Gore
16 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Field Trip. Singa's Pizzeria. Students to focus on social skills, multi-step directions, independence, manners & conversation skills. Will make personal pizzas.	95 Broadway, EP	Wed. 4/10/13 1:00 - 3:00 pm	Gr. 2-5	Ms. Gore
Gilbert Ave. Home & School Assoc. Book Fair. Students purchase books from Scholastic Books	Gilbert	Wed. 6/5/13 - Fri. 6/7/13	School Wide	Ms. Lisa Rego
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Dance.	HIS Cafè	Fri. 5/31/13 6:00 - 9:30 pm	District Wide 5 <sup>th</sup> Grades	Ms. Martino Ms. Monaco Ms. Rugglio Ms. Prandstatter
HIS Fundraiser. EP Girls Softball Logo Clothing Sale. (school colors, red & white).	HIS & Home	March - May 2013	HIS Girls Softball Team	Coach Torrento Coaches
HIS Fundraiser. EP Boys Baseball Logo Clothing Sale. (school colors, red & white).	HIS & Home	March - May 2013	HIS Boys Baseball Team	Coach Scarnaly Coaches

Gantner Activity. Dress Up Days. Students may dress up for Spirit Wear Days.	Gantner	School-Wide Dates Below	PTO Exec. Board Mrs. Martino
<p>Dress To Impress Day (Easter Dress Up) - Thursday, 3/28/13  Crazy Hair Day &amp; \$1 Jeans Day - Friday, 4/12/13  Crazy Sock Day &amp; \$1 Jeans Day - Friday, 4/19/13  Mish Mosh Day &amp; \$1 Jeans Day - Friday, 4/26/13  Hat Day &amp; \$1 Jeans Day - Friday, 5/3/13  Celebrity Day &amp; \$1 Jeans Day (Dress up like your favorite celebrity or wear a t-shirt with their picture) - Friday, 5/10/13  When I Grow Up Day (Dress like your future occupation) - Friday, 6/14/13</p>			

- G2. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm **FEMA – Multihazard Emergency Planning for Schools (G364)** certification for select administrators and staff to take place on March 20 & 21, 2013 in the Memorial High School Media Center.
- G3. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the report of progress of **Superintendent Action Plans** pursuant to the established **Elmwood Park Public School District Goals** for the 2012-2013 school year, and article IV, A2 of the Superintendent Employment Contract.


G4. Dr. Richard D. Tonko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the entrance into *Agreement between the Elmwood Park Board of Education and St. Leo's School, Elmwood Park, New Jersey, concerning the New Jersey Nonpublic School Technology Initiative Program 2012-2013*. The original 2012-2013 award is \$4,485.

Motion of: *Mr. Zaccaro*  
 Seconded by: *Mr. Cannizzo*

Consent Vote on item(s) G1 G4:

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
<b>AYE</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

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 William P. Moffitt  
 Board Secretary

(seal)

**4. BUSINESS**

**M. Approval of Minutes - Forthcoming**

- M1. BE IT RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the following meeting be approved:  
**Special Meeting - January 30, 2013**
- M2. BE IT RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the following meeting be approved:  
**Regular Meeting - February 26, 2013**
- M3. BE IT RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the following meeting be approved:  
**Special Meeting - March 11, 2013**

Motion of: *Mrs Grande*

Seconded by: *Mrs Policanso*

Consent Vote on item: M1 M3:

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED					<i>✓ as to m.3</i>				

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*[Signature]*  
William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary

**F. Financial**

**F1. Financial Reports**

BE IT RESOLVED:

that the Board of Education accepts the February 2013 financial report, as submitted, which include the monthly Board Secretary's Report and the Treasurer of School Moneys report for the respective month endings. The Board notes that the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports are in balance for the cash receipts and disbursements for the respective month endings.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3, the Board of Education Secretary certifies that as of February 28, 2013, that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4, the Board of Education Secretary certifies that as of February 28, 2013, after review of the District's monthly financial reports no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

**F2. Confirmation of Bills and Warrants**

BE IT RESOLVED: that, based upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the bills payable by check numbers 17370 through 17437 and wire transfers, totaling \$922,438.04, from Valley National Bank Board of Education General Account, which were reviewed by the Finance Committee, be confirmed for payment.

**F3. Payroll Confirmation – (Forthcoming)**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Elmwood Park Board of Education confirms the action of the board secretary/business administrator in issuing the payroll for February 28, 2013, and March 15, 2013, in the total amount of \$1,519,180.64.

**F4. Adoption of the 2013-2014 Final District Budget**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve the 2013-2014 Final District Budget in the amount of \$36,321,193. This budget will include a General Fund tax levy of \$29,579,684, and a Debt Service tax levy of \$2,123,084.

**BG1. Use of Facilities – Approvals**

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the board approves the requests for Use of School Facilities, per Board Policy #1330.

**BG2. Use of Facilities – Approvals – Outside Organizations – N/A**



**II. Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying**

**III. BE IT RESOLVED:** that, the Elmwood Park Board of Education does hereby affirm the Superintendent's decision on Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying following cases, as reviewed by the HIB Committee:

12-13-050-2                      12-13-060-04                      12-13-060-5  
12-13-070-02                      12-13-090-08

**I. Legal**

**L1. Approve Settlement Agreement**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Elmwood Park Board of Education hereby approves the Settlement Agreement and Release in the matter involving Employee #4002; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the Fiscal Monitor has determined that the payments in this matter are to be made in two installments, one on or before April 15, 2013, and the other on or before July 15, 2013, and otherwise in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth therein; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the Board President is authorized to execute the Agreement on the Board's behalf and the Superintendent and/or Business Administrator/Board Secretary are authorized to undertake any other necessary acts to effectuate its terms.

**L2. Approve Appointment of Auditor**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** that the board hereby approves the appointment of LERCH, VINCI, & HIGGINS, LLP, to provide financial accounting and auditing services, effective immediately and for the 2013-2014 school year.

**L3. Approve Appointment of Architect of Record**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board hereby approves the appointment of DI CARA/RUBINO ARCHITECTS to provide consulting and advisory architectural services, effective immediately and for the 2013-2014 school year.

**L4. Appointment of General Counsel/Labor Negotiator**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board hereby approves the appointment of SCHWARTZ SIMON EDELSTEIN CELSO, ESQS, to provide general counsel and labor negotiation services, effective immediately and for the 2013-2014 school year.

**L5. Appointment of Bond Counsel**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board does hereby approve the appointment of WILENTZ, GOLDMAN & SPITZER, ESQS., as Bond Counsel, effective immediately and for the 2013-2014 school year.

Motion of: *M. Cannizzo*

Seconded by: *M. Zaccaro*

Consent Vote on items: F1-L5

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
<b>AYE</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

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William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary

Respectfully Submitted,  
  
Richard D. Tomko, Ph.D.  
Superintendent of Schools



**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY

**AGENDA  
ADDENDUM 1  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 26, 2013**

**1. PERSONNEL.**

**K. WORKSHOP/TRAINING**

2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following request for the 2012/2013 school year, for the following employee's to attend workshops:

Name	Position	Date	Substitute Required	Cost	Activity	Location
Caleb Rhodes	Director of Testing	March 27, 2013	No	\$149.00 Funded with NCLB Title IIA Grant	The Leaders Brain: Advanced Leadership Skills	Monroe, NJ
Anthony Grieco	Middle School Principal	March 27, 2013	No	None	The Leaders Brain: Advanced Leadership Skills	Monroe, NJ
Allison Jacker	Gantner Avenue School Principal	April 9, 2013	No	\$149.00 Funded with NCLB Title IIA Grant	The Principal's Role in Closing the Achievement Gap	Monroe, NJ
Leslie Horn	High School/Middle School Science Special Education Teacher	April 26, 2013	Yes	None	Instruction for Students with Moderate to Severe Cognitive Disabilities	Morris Plains, NJ
Emelda Spence	High School Guidance Counselor	May 2, 2013	No	None	CUNY Breakfast for Counselors	West Orange, NJ

Motion of: Mr. Cannizzo  
Seconded By: Mrs. Ferrante

Consent Vote on items: PK2

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
<b>AYE</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

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**ADDENDUM 2**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**March 26, 2013**

**I. PERSONNEL**

**A. EMPLOYMENT**

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *appointment* of the following school administrators, principals, teachers, custodians and other officers and employees pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:16-1, N.J.A.C. 23A-6.8, and Board Policies 3141 and 4125, effective through June 30, 2013, pending the results of a fingerprint check:

NAME	POSITION	UPC#	SALARY	LOCATION	EFFECTIVE DATE
Ms. Lindsay Domb	Speech Language Specialist	TCH.05.SPCHL.NA.03 11-000-216-100-01-000-00	MA Step 1 \$48,694 Per-Diem	Sixteenth Avenue School	Upon Completion of Background Check

NOTE: This appointment does not include benefits, vacations, health benefits, sick leave, sabbatical leave, or any other benefits provided by contract between the Elmwood Park Education Association and the Elmwood Park Board of Education

Motion of: *Ms. Policano*  
Seconded By: *Mr. Zaccaro*

Consent Vote on items: PA1

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
<b>AYE</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
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FINAL SUMMARY MINUTES WORK MEETING – PUBLIC HEARING – REGULAR MEETING  
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MARCH 26, 2013

By motion of Mrs. Policano, which was seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

I hereby certify these final summary minutes of the meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education in session on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, to be true and correct and in complete agreement with the official Minute Book of the Board of Education.

Respectfully submitted,



William P. Moffitt  
Board Secretary