

FINAL SUMMARY MINUTES WORK MEETING - REGULAR MEETING ELMWOOD PARK  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FEBRUARY 26, 2013

There was a Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education on Tuesday, February 26, 2013, at 6:05 p.m. in the Memorial Middle School Gym. Present were: Keith Cannizzo, Jeanne Freitag, Kathleen Policano, Arlene Rudmann, Peter Scolaro, Stephen Zaccone, Louise Gerardi, and Douglas DeMatteo. Jennifer Pellegrine arrived and was seated at 7:15 p.m. Also present were Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, Thomas Egan, State Monitor, Auditor Jeffrey Bliss of the firm of Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP, Jenna Rottenberg, Esq., from Schwartz, Simon, Edelstein & Celso, Esqs., the board attorneys, Patricia Otten, Confidential Executive Secretary, for the taking of minutes, Mayor Richard Mola, Councilman Robert Colletti, 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 February Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education scheduled for Tuesday, February 26, 2013, has been changed to 6 p.m. in the Memorial Middle School Gym. The Regular Meeting time and location remain at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Middle School gym."

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."

Dr. Richard Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, introduced Jeffrey Bliss, auditor with the Lerch, Vinci & Higgins firm, who spoke about the results of the audit recently performed by their firm. Mr. Bliss explained to those present how the audit was performed detailing the procedures followed in reviewing tuition, special services placements, health benefits, and general supplies among other items. The results of the audit projected that the district would have a surplus as of June 30, 2013 of approximately \$131,000. Mr. Bliss indicated that the budget was still very tight and the district would have to be diligent in their spending. The projection was based on past patterns and he stated he was very comfortable with his projection.

The meeting was opened to the public at 6:25 p.m. and closed to the public at 6:35 p.m. The following individual addressed the board during the open session:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Inquired about extraordinary aid and when the district actually receives the aid.

Gladys Gryskiewicz	256 Fencsak Avenue	Inquiries relative to whether the current budget can remain in the black to the end of the school year.
Lori Sproviero	46 Gall Avenue	Inquiries as to the placements of three special education students on the agenda.
Maggie Smith	253 Washington	Inquiries as to how much of the 2012-2013 surplus will go toward the deficit.
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Inquired as to whether the figures indicated in special education placements were annual amounts.
Daniel Golebek	434 Godwin Avenue	Inquired as to how the public would know if the district was over expending the budget between now and the end of the school year.

By motion of Mrs. Policano, which was seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, and unanimously approved by voice call vote of those present, the meeting recessed for a period of 20 minutes. The meeting was called to order at 6:55 p.m., at which time the board reviewed the agenda of the Regular Meeting.

After review of the agenda for the Regular Meeting, the Work Meeting was opened to the public at 7:19 p.m.

The following individuals addressed the board during the public session of the Work Meeting:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Asked for clarification relative to the placements of three special education students appearing on the agenda; Inquiries relative to the Recreation Department Summer Program and the district's Summer Session.
Lori Sproviero	46 Gall Avenue	Inquiries relative to personnel resolution PA1- Educational Consultant, PB1 – classroom aide; Inquiries regarding number of substitutes needed when teachers go the workshops; Inquiries as to G2, extended school year program; Inquiries as to financial reports and deficit; Inquiries as to whether district will have summer camp and,

if yes, commented about the parents not knowing and that they should be informed; Asked for explanation of item L1, legal counsel for state monitor; Inquiries as to L2, USDA contract; Inquiries as to item O1, summer session account; Inquiries as to Addendum 2 item L4, use of district buses by Recreation Department.

After the open session, Thomas Egan, State Monitor spoke on state aid being received by the district as reported in The Record. He stated that the district would receive the exact figures by Thursday. He also stated that the next step is to prepare the 2013-2014 budget, which would be submitted to the board for review, and then acceptance. Mr. Egan said there would be no major cuts to the 2013-2014 budget.

By motion of Mr. Scolaro, which was Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, and unanimously approved by voice vote, the work meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. Board President, Douglas DeMatteo announced that the board would go into closed session for approximately 15 minutes for legal updates. At this time the board left the room to enter into closed session in the Memorial High School Teachers' Cafeteria.

WHEREAS: the Elmwood Park Board of Education must discuss subjects concerning legal updates; 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.

The board returned from closed session at 7:50 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was opened at 8:06 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, Jenna Rottenberg, Esq., from Schwartz, Simon, Edelstein & Celso, Esqs., the board attorneys, Patricia Otten, Confidential Executive Secretary, for the taking of minutes, Principals, Dominick Silla, David Warner, David Saper, Anthony Grieco and Allison Jackter, Caleb Rhodes, Director of Testing, Curriculum & Instruction, and members of the public.

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Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools gave a brief recap of the results of the audit performed by Lerch, Vinci & Higgins. Specifically he discussed Jeffrey Bliss' report on how the audit was performed so that those not present at the Work Meeting would be informed.

Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools congratulated the Students of the Month.

The meeting was opened to the public at 8:15 p.m. and closed to the public at 8:20 p.m.

Name	Address	Topic
Michael Bufis	14 Philip Avenue	Comments on the musical presentation this year; Inquiries as to item PA 1, Educational Consultant; Inquiries as to USDA contract for geese control services.
Maria Parisi	5 Chobot Lane	Thanked the board for attending the Beefsteak Dinner sponsored by Project Graduation; Commented on the possibility that those individuals who spend hours criticizing the board on the forum should use those hours to volunteer to help in the district instead by either helping the seven people running Project Graduation, or by joining a PTO.

Richard Rudmann	1 Paul Court	Comments on how happy he was to see that there was an improvement in tonight's board meetings in comparison to those from the past months, which were disappointing; Commented that people were not as vicious as in the past and were able to express themselves more politely during the open sessions; Comments on how he hoped the people would keep their discussions respectful.
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Commented on his belief that the public has the right to be heard as long as it is done in a civil tone.
Dorin Aspras	81 Van Riper Avenue	Stated that she does not read or write anything on the Forum; Commented on her right to come and be heard by the board; Commented on being a PTO member for 13 years; Commented on her daughter being bullied in school; Comments on keeping her daughter in district and not sending her to private school.
Daniel Golebek	434 Godwin Avenue	Commented that those who spoke had good points; Inquired if next year's general election would be a day off for students; Commented on musical production and his hope for a play next March.
Sr. Lovely Ali	74 Caruth Avenue	Inquired whether January holiday celebrating Dr. King would be included in next year's calendar; Inquiries on seeing where budgeted money goes. Inquiries as to who will make decisions on

		special education students, the state monitor or board.
Michael Bufis	14 Philip Avenue	Comments on traffic situation at schools when parents drop and pick up their children; Inquired if Mr. Egan would be participating in decisions relative to the bidding process for next school year.
Gladys Gryskiewicz	256 Fencsak Avenue	Comments on traffic conditions caused by parents dropping off their children in front of school and their double parking which blinds students view of roadway.
Aviana Ingui	333 Falmouth Avenue	Comments on why after attending district schools from K through 7 <sup>th</sup> grade she had to leave the district and attend private school in order to reach her career goals because the district no longer offered programs that would help her reach those goals.
Denise Ingui	333 Falmouth Avenue	Commented on how negative the people who speak are and how the Forum comments were disrespectful to her and her family; Comments on everyone having a right to voice their opinion, but how quickly attitudes change when they don't get the answer they wanted.
Qur'an Manlove	74 Caruth Avenue	Thanked those who came out for the basketball team and asked everyone to support the boys' team.

Michael Bufis

14 Philip Avenue

Commented on changing the location of meetings as requested at the past two board meetings; Commented on earlier speaker and encouraged her to follow her dream and reach her goal.

Dorin Aspras

81 Van Riper Avenue

Commented that when making comments about private schools earlier she was not referring to anyone specific.

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

**REGULAR MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 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. Monthly Student Congress Update
  - c. Superintendent's Report
- 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, 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 January, 2013.

### GILBERT AVENUE SCHOOL

### GRADE

Pancham Chuahan	PreK
Moad Aglaguel	PreK
Ezekiel Fabian-Gonzalez	K
Janna Qudah	K
Christopher Fernandez	K
Sebastian Rogacki	K
Bobby Colletti	1
Abeer Alam	1
Steven Mitanoski	2
Oluwatobi Olanrewaju	2
Alexander Hlawacz	2
Andrew Alvarez	3
Gianna Reyes	3
Oluwascun Olanrewaju	4
Maram Souda	4
Angelica Sammy	5
Abraham Kario	5

### GANTNER AVENUE SCHOOL

### STUDENT NAME

### GRADE

Angelise Gonzalez	PreK
Marcin Bienias	K
Harsh Patel	K
Craig Roos	K
Victoria Lora	1
Mirelle Potemkin	1
Brandon Meneses	2
Alexiis Morales	2
Elizabeth Gontol	2&3
Matthew Tillman	3
Mark Malysa	3
Tatiana Cobian	3&4
Sofia Lauret	4
Jessica Janakiraman	4
Sofia Milevski	5
Julia Jurkiewicz	5
Natouri Bernard	4&5

## SIXTEENTH AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

Matthew Juszcak	PreK
Omar Asfour	PreK
Alexander Seoram Rajaram	PreK
Joseph Sgambati	K-1
Jayden Rafailov	2-5
Stephen Botello-Lopez	K-2
Erik DeLumen	K
Ayan Khan	K
Nuzhat Shaikh	K
Sofia Termini	1
Owen Amadeo DeSessa	1
Paulina Zak	1
Anthony Martino	2
Victoria Galette	2
Shannon-Milan Lambert	2
Saher Imran	3
Isha Shah	3
Evelio Velez	3
Samantha Guzman	4
Adrianna Walter	4
Avneet Kaur	5
Fatma Gazeyoglu	5
Nicole Velecela	5

## MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

Steven Delli Venneri	6
Sierra Gonzalez	7
Kadean Dennis	8

## MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

Milana Pesevska	9
Michael Iasiello	10
Lauren Presti	11
Giuliana Parisi	12

## 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
Joseph Hulbert	Middle School Educational Consultant	N/A	\$67.00 Per Hour Not to Exceed 24 Hours Per Week Paid for with Title I Money	Middle School	September 1, 2012
Lisbeth Perez	Nursing Care for In-District Pre-K Special Education Students	N/A	None	Elementary Schools	February 25, 2013

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

### 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
Thaydra Perez	Classroom Aide	AIDE.02.1TO1.NA.05 11-000-217-100-02-909-00	Gantner Avenue	February 21, 2013

### C. RETIREMENT

N/A

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 positions* for the 2012/2013 school year, as listed in the categories below:

Name	Position	Salary	UPC #	Location	Effective Date
Alicia Wood	Musical Director	\$2108.00	061-01 11-401-100-100-01-061-00	High/Middle School	2/27/2013
Chelsea DiDiego	Asst. Musical Director	\$1057.00	061-02 11-401-100-100-01-061-00	High/Middle School	2/27/2013

E. APPOINTMENT of AIDES

N/A

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:

Jeanette Stabile  
 Andrew Kanasky  
 Caroline Hanna  
 David Feinblum  
 Jamie Pardine

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

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *transfer* of the following school administrators, principals, teachers, custodians and other officers and employees pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:16-1, through June 30, 2013:

AIDES	POSITION	NEW ACCOUNT #	NEW UPC #	OLD ACCOUNT #	OLD UPC #
Tonia Torres	One-to-One Aide From Gilbert Avenue to Middle School	11-000-217-100-11-909-00	AIDE.11.1TO1.NA.04	11-000-217-100-03-909-00	AIDE.03.1TO1.NA.05

H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *movement on guide* for the following school administrators, principals, teachers, custodians and other officers and employees pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:16-1 and 18A:29-13 and local contractual agreement:

Name	Current Step	Proposed Step	Location	Effective
Ira Wallin	BA+30 Step7 \$56,944	MA+30 Step 7 \$62,944	High School	January 1, 2013

I. VOLUNTEER

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

Name	Position	Effective Date
Jessica Didyk	Track Assistant – Non Stipend	March 2, 2013
Nicole Thompson	Track Assistant – Non Stipend	March 2, 2013

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.

J. FMLA/MATERNITY LEAVE/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

N/A

**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
Dr. Richard Tomko	Superintendent of Schools	March 13, 2013	No	\$100.00 Funded by NJSBAIG Grant	NJASA School Security Conference	Edison, NJ
Emelda Spence	High School Guidance Counselor	February 26, 2013	No	None	College Admissions 2013	Piscataway, NJ
Danielle Leva	Student Assistant Counselor	February 5, 2013	No	None	Middle/High School Conflict Resolution Training	New Brunswick, NJ
Danielle Leva	Student Assistant Counselor	April 11, 2013	No	None	Peer Mediation Training Elementary Middle and High School Levels	New Brunswick, NJ
Danielle Leva	Student Assistant Counselor	April 17, 2013	No	None	Character Education Training Middle/High School	New Brunswick, NJ
Amanda Fuller	Middle School Special Education Teacher	March 18, 2013	Yes	None	Enhancing your Effectiveness as a Special Education Resource Teacher	Ramapo College
Matthew Borchers	High School Math Teacher	March 1, 2013	Yes	None	Teacher Evaluation and Effective Instruction	Hackensack, NJ
Veronica Pareja	High School LAL Teacher	March 1, 2013	Yes	None	Teacher Evaluation and Effective Instruction	Hackensack, NJ
Rachel Kleinman	Middle School Psychologist	March 22, 2013	No	None	Implementing Social Thinking Concepts and Vocabulary into the School Day	Pompton Lakes
Robyn Brody	Gantner Avenue School Psychologist	March 22, 2013	No	None	Implementing Social Thinking Concepts and Vocabulary into the School Day	Pompton Lakes, NJ
Robyn Brody	Gantner Avenue School Psychologist	March 12, 2013	No	None	Creating Respectful Classrooms (Grades K-12)	Morris Plains, NJ

Rachel Kleiman	Middle School Psychologist	March 12, 2013	No	None	Creating Respectful Classrooms (Grades K-12)	Morris Plains, NJ
Kathy Arose	Gantner Avenue School Teacher	March 11, 2013	Yes	\$300.00 Funded by Title IIA of the NCLB Grant	"Increasing Comprehension Through Reading Aloud, Shared Independent Reading"	Edison, NJ
Virginia Van Genderen	Gilbert Avenue School Teacher	March 11, 2013	Yes	\$300.00 Funded by Title IIA of the NCLB Grant	"Increasing Comprehension Through Reading Aloud, Shared Independent Reading"	Edison, NJ
Michelle Cassidy	Sixteenth Avenue School	March 11, 2013	Yes	\$300.00 Funded by Title IIA of the NCLB Grant	"Increasing Comprehension Through Reading Aloud, Shared Independent Reading"	Edison, NJ
Jillian Torrento	Gilbert Avenue School Teacher	March 13, 2013	Yes	\$500.00 Funded by Title IIA of the NCLB Grant	"The CCSS and Writing: How do I Teach it to the Struggling Reader"	Edison, NJ
Marisa Sabina	Gantner Avenue Teacher	March 13, 2013	Yes	\$500.00 Funded by Title IIA of the NCLB Grant	"The CCSS and Writing: How do I Teach it to the Struggling Reader"	Edison, NJ
Kevin Hergot	Sixteenth Avenue School Teacher	March 13, 2013	Yes	\$500.00 Funded by Title IIA of the NCLB Grant	"The CCSS and Writing: How do I Teach it to the Struggling Reader"	Edison, NJ
Soham Patel	Sixteenth Avenue School Teacher	March 13, 2013	Yes	\$500.00 Funded by Title IIA of the NCLB Grant	"The CCSS and Writing: How do I Teach it to the Struggling Reader"	Edison, NJ
Bridget White	Middle School LAL Teacher	March 13, 2013	Yes	\$500.00 Funded by Title IIA of the NCLB Grant	"The CCSS and Writing: How do I Teach it to the Struggling Reader"	Edison, 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
Michael Creamer	High School	February 2013	May 2013	Mr. Craw	Physical Education
Cynthia Santiago	Gilbert Avenue School	February 2013 (2 days per week)	April 2013	Ms. Hayton	Kindergarten
Marjorie Hirsh	Middle/High School	February 27, 2013	June 30, 2012	Mr. Warner Mr. Gricco	Administrative Internship

M. PARAPROFESSIONALS

N/A

N. EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

N/A

O. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

N/A

P. GENERAL

N/A

Motion of: *Mrs. Policano*  
 Seconded By: *Mrs. Rudman*

Consent Vote on items: PA1 – PM1

	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*  
 William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/Business Administrator



**2. STUDENTS**

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of School, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *out of district placement(s)* as regulated by N.J.A.C. 6A:14 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-18, Private Schools for Students with Disabilities for the 2012/2013 school year:

BCSS HEARING IMPAIRED PROGRAM (HIP), HACKENSCACK

DATES: 02/11/13 through 06/30/13  
 TIME: 8:10 A.M to 2:50 P.M.  
 COST: \$55,440.00 per student

108288AE (new)

MARY A. DOBBINS SCHOOL, MOUNT HOLLY

DATES: 01/16/13 through 06/28/13  
 TIME: 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.  
 COST: \$28,659.62 per student

106145DT (new)

PALISADE REGIONAL ACADEMY, PARAMUS

DATE: 02/21/13 through 06/28/13  
 TIME: 8:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.  
 COST: \$21,704.76 per student

173EW (transfer)

NOTE: ALL COSTS ARE ESTIMATES AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND VERIFICATION

Motion of: *Mrs. Gerardi*  
 Seconded by: *Mr. Policiano*  
 Consent Vote on items: SI

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED									

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 William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary

(seal)

### 3. GENERAL

- G1. 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.
Project Graduation Fundraiser. Sumo wrestling with blow-up suits.	HS Gym	Thurs. 4/11/13 7-9 pm	MS/HS Staff	Mr. Warner
MS Field Trip.	Liberty Science Center, 222 Jersey City Blvd., Jersey City, NJ	Tues. 3/19/13 8:15 am – 2:45 pm	Gr. 7 ELA Students, Teachers / Chaperones	Ms. S. Rodriguez
PTO Pizza Sale (half day dismissal)	Gantner	Fri. 2/15/13 1-1:45 pm	School Wide	Mrs. Prandstatter, PTO
Engraved Brick Fundraiser. Parents purchase bricks. Bricks installed in various locations, such as school walkways.	All Schools	TBD	Parents, Students, Community	Mr./Mrs. Rizzuto
Hoops for Heart Fundraiser. Students ask friends/families to contribution to the American Heart Assoc.	MS Gym	Fri. 3/15/13 8:05 am – 2:40 pm	Grs. 6 - 8	Mrs. Lehansky
Gilbert Field Trip.	NJ Children's Museum, Paramus, NJ	Wed. 3/6/13 9:30 am – 2:00 pm	Gr. K Classes	Ms. Hayton Ms. Gaydos Ms. Murphy Ms. Presti
Gilbert Field Trip	Museum of Natural History, NY, NY	Fri. 3/22/13 9:00 am – 3:30 pm	Gr. 5 Classes	Ms. Torrento Ms. Schweitzer
Officer Phil Program. Safety program for students on bullying & intro. to town police officer.	Gantner	TBD 9:00 am & 11:00 am	Grs. K-2 Grs. 3-5	Mrs. Jackter
Staying Cool in School Assembly. Coach Michael Alban teaches students importance of self-control & making positive choices.	Gantner	Thurs. 3/21/13 1:30 pm & 2:15 pm	Grs. K-2 Grs. 3-5	Coach Alban Mrs. Jackter
Guest Speaker, Alice Rivkin, speaks to students about creating & maintaining healthy relationships. Sponsored by Bergen County's Office of Alternatives to Domestic Violence.	MS	Wed. 3/13/13 1:00 – 2:45 pm	Gr. 8 Stud. Gr. 8 Teach.	Ms. Stanczak
Spring Photos. Parents may purchase spring photos of their children	Gantner Gym	Tues. 4/23/13 9:00 am – 12:00 pm	All interested families	Ms. Martino, PTO Mrs. Jackter

- G2. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the **Donation** from VFW Post 5084 for \$1,900 towards the 2013 Memorial High School Year Book and \$100.00 towards the purchase of a page in the yearbook.
- G3. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the **Extended School Year Program(s)** for in-district students for the summer of 2013, pursuant to Individualized Education Programs.

Motion of: Mrs. Palicane  
 Seconded by: Mr. Zaccaro

Consent Vote on item(s) G1 – G3:

	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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 Board Secretary

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4. BUSINESS

**M. Approval of Minutes - Forthcoming**

**M1.** BE IT RESOLVED: that the minutes of the following meeting be approved:

**Work/Regular Meeting - January 22, 2013**

**M2.** BE IT RESOLVED: that the minutes of the following meeting be approved:

**Special Meeting - January 30, 2013**

Motion of: Ms. Policanso

Seconded by: M. Cannizzo

Consent Vote on item: M1 – M2: Item M2. Withdraw

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
<b>AYE</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
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**F. Financial**

**F1. Financial Reports**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education accepts the November 2012, December 2012, and January 2013 financial reports, 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 January 31, 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 January 31, 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 17068 through 17369, totaling \$1,935,021.65 from Valley National Bank Board of Education General Account, which were reviewed by the Finance Committee, be confirmed for payment.

**F3. Payroll Confirmation**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Elmwood Park Board of Education confirms the action of the board secretary/business administrator in issuing the payroll for January 30, 2013, and February 15, 2013, in the total amount of \$1,510,659.32.

**F4. Submission of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Corrective Action Plan for June 30, 2012**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board hereby acknowledges the receipt, review and evaluation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Correction Action Plan for the period ending June 30, 2012, and authorizes the Board Secretary to reflect subject acknowledgement in minutes of meeting.

**BG. Business General**

**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

**L. Legal**

**L1. Acknowledgment of Legal Council for State Monitor**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Elmwood Park Board of Education, acknowledges that the firm of Schenck, Price, Smith & King, LLP, attorneys at law, will represent Thomas Egan, State Monitor, for any legal matters, that may relate to his official duties as State Monitor.

**L2. Contract Award with United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for Geese Control Services**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve entrance into contract with United States Department of Agriculture to provide geese control services to the district.

**L3. Approve Entrance into Contract for Transportation Reimbursement**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve entrance into contract with Sherry Dapcic, for the reimbursement of transportation services for the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years, in the amount of \$6,098.40.

**O. Organizational**

**O1. Change in Signatories in Depositories**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the banks be notified with respect to the change in signatories as listed below:

**VALLEY NATIONAL BANK**

**Payroll Agency Account**

Two of the following signatures required:

**William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/  
Business Administrator, or  
Douglas DeMatteo, President**

**Summer Savings Account**

Two of the following signatures required:

**William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/  
Business Administrator, or  
Douglas DeMatteo, President**

**Food Service Account**

Two of the following signatures required:

**William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/  
Business Administrator, or  
Douglas DeMatteo, President**

**Before/After Care Account**

Two of the following signatures required:

**William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/  
Business Administrator, or  
Douglas DeMatteo, President**

**Summer Camp**

Two of the following signatures required:

**William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/  
Business Administrator, or  
Douglas DeMatteo, President**

**Summer Session Account**

Two of the following signatures required:

**William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/  
Business Administrator, or  
Douglas DeMatteo, President**

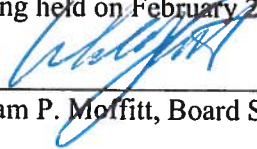
Motion of: Mr. Pellegrino

Seconded by: Mr. Policanso

Consent Vote on items: FI-O1

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<b>AYE</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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Respectfully Submitted,

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





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

**AGENDA**  
**ADDENDUM I**

**February 26, 2013**

**I. PERSONNEL**

**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 aide 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
Cindy Bustos	One-to-One Aide	AIDE.02.ITO1.NA.05 11-000-217-100-02-909-00	\$13.50 (Hour)	Gantner Avenue School

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.

**G. TRANSFER**

2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *transfer* of the following school administrators, principals, teachers, custodians and other officers and employees pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:16-1, through June 30, 2013:

AIDES	POSITION	NEW ACCOUNT #	NEW UPC #	OLD ACCOUNT #	OLD UPC #
Justine Rainieri	One-to-One Aide From Middle School to Sixteenth Avenue School	11-214-100-106-04- 000-00	AIDE.04.ITO1.NA.14	11-213-100-106-11-000-00	AIDE.11.RRRC.NA.01
Annia Brito	Classroom Aide From Sixteenth Avenue to Middle School	11-213-100-106-11- 000-00	AIDE.11.RRRC.NA.01	11-000-217-100-11-909-00	AIDE.11.ITO1.NA.02

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.

J. FMLA/MATERNITY LEAVE/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1) Mr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *Unpaid leave of absence*, (as attached) for:

NAME	SCHOOL	POSITION	FROM	To
Jesse Prokopczyk	High School	High School Math Teacher	March 12, 2013	March 15, 2013

Motion of: Mr. Annuzio  
 Seconded By: Mr. Zaccaro

Consent Vote on items: PEI – PJI

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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**GENERAL**

- G4. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the proposed *School District Calendar* for the 2013-2014 school year as submitted (available via school website on ~~January~~ <sup>February</sup> 27, 2013).
- G5. 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.
PTO Fundraiser Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough Sale.	MS/Out of school	Fri. 3/1/13 – Thurs 3/21/13	Grs. 6-8	Ms. Rego, PTO

Motion of: Mr. Scolaro  
 Seconded by: Ms. Policanso

Consent Vote on item: G4 – G5

*Item 64 as amended to correct date.*

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
<b>AYE</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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**AGENDA**  
**ADDENDUM 2**  
**February 26, 2013**

**4. BUSINESS**

**BG2. Use of Facilities – Approvals – Outside Organizations**

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

**L. LEGAL**

**L4 Approve Entrance into Contract with Elmwood Park Recreation Department for Use of District Buses**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve entrance into contract with Elmwood Park Recreation Department for loan of district school buses #1 and #2, at no cost, for use in its summer program from Monday, June 24, 2013 to Friday, August 9, 2013.

Motion of: Mr. Cannizzo

Seconded by: Mr. Policanso

Consent Vote on item: BG2. – L4

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
<b>AYE</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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**AGENDA**

**ADDENDUM 3**

**February 26, 2013**

**1. PERSONNEL**

**D. COACHES/STIPEND**

2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *extra-curricular activity, student activity* position for the remainder of the 2012/2013 and 2013/2014 school year, as listed in the category below:

NAME	POSITION	UPC#	SALARY	LOCATION	EFFECTIVE DATE
Aidan McCluskey	High School Soccer Coach	036-01 11-402-100-100-01-036-00	\$5751	High School	2/26/13-6/2014

Motion of: *Mrs. Rudman*  
Seconded By: *Mr. Guadagni*

Consent Vote on items: PD2

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
AYE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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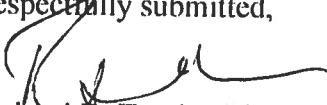
William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/Business Administrator

(seal)

By motion of Mrs. Policano, which was seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard D. Tomko". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and "D".

Richard D. Tomko, Ph., D.  
Secretary pro tem