

FINAL MINUTES
-WORK MEETING-
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
APRIL 27, 2021

The Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was held on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 and began at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the High School/Middle School Student Cafeteria. Present were: Mrs. Dorin Aspras, Mr. Keith Cannizzo, Mr. Douglas DeMatteo, Mrs. Gerardi, Mr. George Luke, Mrs. Elizabeth Mierzejewski, Ms. Carrie Paretti, Ms. Karen Pena and Mr. Daniel Zoltek . Also present were, Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Jillian Torrento, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. John DiPaola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Ms. Frances Febres, Board Attorney and Mrs. Darla Palmesino for the taking of minutes and members of the public.

Roll call was taken. The Statement of Compliance, is hereby incorporated: In accordance with the 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.”

Mr. Iachetti gave the board a handout of the year-end activities.

Mr. Iachetti gave an update on the status of the 2020-21 Board and District Goals:

DISTRICT GOALS

- To continue to address the physical and mental health and wellness of all students so they can work up to their academic, social and emotional potential.
 - **The district has attained this goal with the use of Move This World Program, Parent Series that includes Dr. Mingnin**
- To continue the use of multiple student data sources to better address the learning needs of students across the curriculum.

**FINAL MINUTES
-REGULAR MEETING-
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APRIL 27, 2021**

The Regular Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was held on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 and began at 7:00 p.m. in the High School/Middle School Media Center.

Present were: Mrs. Dorin Aspras, Mr. Keith Cannizzo, Mr. Douglas DeMatteo, Mrs. Gerardi, Mr. George Luke, Mrs. Elizabeth Mierzejewski, Ms. Carrie Paretti, Ms. Karen Pena and Mr. Daniel Zoltek . Also present were, Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, Ms. Jillian Torrento, Assistant Superintendent Mr. John DiPaola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Ms. Frances Febrese, Board Attorney and and Mrs. Darla Palmesino for the taking of minutes and members of the public.

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Superintendent’s Report

- Congratulations to all the winter sports league students
- Thanked all the volunteers for the town clean up day

2021-22 Budget Presentation and Hearing

- Mr. Iachetti gave a powerpoint presentation on the 2021-22 Budget, *which is attached*. Mr. Iachetti thanked everyone for their help with the budget preparations.

Budget Hearing Public Portion: At the conclusion of the presentation the meeting was opened to the public for comments and questions on the 2021-22 Budget.

No one from the public spoke on the budget so the Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. Luke opened the meeting for committee updates.

Finance Committee - Mrs. Gerardi

- Met on April 23, 2021
- Discussed the budget presentation
- Reviewed the bills list

HIB Committee - Mrs. Gerardi

- Met on April 23, 2021

Curriculum Committee - Mrs. Mierzejewski

- Reviewed the curriculum
- Diversity mandate
- Guidance from the State
- QSAC mandate this fall
- Thanked Ms. Brown and Ms. Torrento - new pathways in future school year

At 7:30 p.m. the meeting was opened to the public on agenda items only. No one from the public spoke so votes were taken on agenda items.

At 7:35 p.m. the meeting was opened to the public. No one from the public spoke so the meeting was opened for board comments.

Ms. Pena

- Progress

Ms. Paretti

- Congratulated Students of the Month
- Thanked the volunteers for clean up day
- Thanked Mr. Iachetti for the budget presentation
- Excited about the new curriculum

Mr. DeMatteo

- Progress

Mr. Zoltek

- Thanked everyone for attending the meeting
- Thanked Mr. Iachetti for the budget presentation

Ms. Mierzejewski

- Congratulated Students of the Month
- Thanked the volunteers for clean up day
- Thanked Mr. Iachetti for the budget presentation

Mr. Cannizzo

- Thanked everyone who worked on the budget
- Congratulated the teachers who are retiring
- Spoke fondly of Mrs. Matsko

Ms. Aspras

- Congratulated Students of the Month
- Congratulated all the student athletes
- Thanked Mr. Iachetti for the budget presentation
- Thanked everyone for attending the meeting
- Excited about new curriculum

Mrs. Gerardi

- Sad to see the teachers retiring
- Spoke about Mrs. Matsko and her love for the students and the community
- Congratulated Students of the Month
- Recommended everyone look at the website
- Nice to see the upcoming events for the end of the school year

Mr. Luke

- Congratulated Students of the Month and athletes
- Thursday, April 29th - County School Boards Meeting
- Next board meeting - May 25th

At 7:42 p.m. a Motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Gerardi and Seconded by Mrs. Aspras and unanimously approved by voice vote of the members present.

I hereby certify that these final summary minutes of the meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education in session on April 27, 2021 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 "John DiPaola", written in a cursive style.

John DiPaola
Business Administrator/Board Secretary



Elmwood Park Board of Education
ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY
AGENDA

WORK MEETING

April 27, 2021

A WORK MEETING OF THE ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION IS BEING HELD THIS EVENING AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE STUDENT CAFETERIA AT MEMORIAL MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL, 375 RIVER DRIVE, ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY.

A. OPENING: ROLL CALL, SUNSHINE STATEMENT

B. PRESENTATIONS:

- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
 - 2020-21 Goal Update

C. OPEN SESSION REVIEW OF REGULAR AGENDA

1. PERSONNEL
2. STUDENTS
3. GENERAL
4. BUSINESS

D. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS-OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

F. CLOSED SESSION

Whereas, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and Whereas, the Board is of the opinion that such circumstances exist. Now therefore, be it resolved, that the Elmwood Park Board of Education will meet in closed session to discuss _____ will disclose to the public the subject matter listed when circumstances dictate the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

G. ADJOURNMENT



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

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A. OPENING: ROLL CALL, SUNSHINE STATEMENT, FLAG SALUTE

B. PRESENTATIONS:

- SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
 - 2021-22 Budget Presentation and Public Hearing

C. PUBLIC HEARING/PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING 2021-22 BUDGET

D. COMMITTEE UPDATES

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

F. OPEN SESSION: REVIEW OF REGULAR AGENDA

1. PERSONNEL
2. STUDENTS
3. GENERAL
4. BUSINESS

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS – GENERAL

H. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS – OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

I. CLOSED SESSION – AS MAY BE REQUIRED

J. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Anthony Iachetti, 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 March, 2021.

GILBERT AVENUE SCHOOL STUDENT
NAME GRADE

Ava Murray	Pre-K
Gleimeriz Cabrera-Lara	K
Vaani Patel	K
Juni Desai	1
Taleen Abdelrahim	1
Sebastian Betances	1
Owen Esquivel	2
Azalea da Silva	2
Omer Duygulu	2
Harrison Dong	3
Justin Tudryn	3
Melena Tofilski	3
Angelina Azmy	4
Lucas Delligatti	4
Fatma Mustafa	4
Evin Stolz	5
Sophia Cruz Alvarez	5
Zahraa Al Hussein	5

GANTNER AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

Mason Zerna	K
Aashi Jajal	K
Olivia Carnevale	K
Ava Ordonez	K
Abiel Rosario	1
Erin Basturk	1
Alejandro Fernandez	1
Olivia Batory	2
Emma Houston	2
Malachi Williams	3
Soumaya Berrabia	3
Viviana Cruz	3
Michael Cartagena	4
Emily Wojtowicz	4
Angelina Torres	5
Abijah Aranda	5
Mikayla Thompson	5
Naoki Lopez	5

SIXTEENTH AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

Giovanni Buscio	Pre-K
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Drisna Patel	Pre-K
Ashton Delisser	Pre-K
Sebastian Olarte	Pre-K
Julia Moscicki	Pre-K
Mattia Rusca	K
Daniel Zakko	K
Giselle DeJesus	K
Michael Osei	1
Giada Dube	1
Oluwaseuntodun Adesida	1
Mariah Richardson	2
Mateo Song	2
Emily Morcose	2
Ella Lupinski	3
Gabriel Galindo	3
Jiya Patel	3
Benjamin Yagual	4
Rylee Harrington	4
Yahya Shaikh	4
James Campanelli	5
Panagiotis Kritoulis	5
Jason Ortiz	5

MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

De'marcus Tynes	6
Yariel Santiago	7
Christopher Davila	8

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

Gabriel Gutierrez	9
Aneika Binns	10
Madaline Neal	11
Sinal Patel	12

Winter 2021 All-League Honors Division 6**Basketball- Girls***Junior, Jaylene Ferrer 1st Team All-League**Junior, Naya Duran 1st Team All-League**Sophomore, Arlenny Medina-Taveras 1st Team All-League**Freshman, Tiara Duran 1st Team All-League**Senior, Shania Ramos 2nd Team All-League**Junior, Melody Peralta 2nd Team All-League***Basketball- Boys***Sophomore, David Forzani 1st Team All-League**Sophomore, Essam Assaf 1st team All-League**Sophomore, Dalwin Rivera 2nd Team All-League**Sophomore, Alex Picinich 2nd Team All-League***Volunteers who Participated in Town Clean-Up***Gabriela Angelkoska**Faith Bracero**Skyler DesRuisseau*

Marina Gevorgyan
Amrit Kaur
Jasneet Kaur
Veronica Kalinowski
Kaitlyn Kida
Alexa Lopez
Mateuz Lyczko
Michelle Montiel
Diya Patel
Brittany Rivas-Lazala
Weronika Radwan-Rela
Gisselle Salinas
Priyanshika Thohan
Ruba Waqqad
Sarah Wilmot

1. PERSONNEL

A. EMPLOYMENT

- 1) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***appointments*** 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 for the 2020/2021 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

PA-1	Name	Position	UPC#	Salary	Location	Effective Date
A.	Shyamdat Seepaul	Evening Custodian	CUS.04.CUST. NA.02 11-000-262-100-04-000-00	Step 1 \$47,323.70 <i>(Includes 6% night differential) Prorated</i>	Sixteenth Avenue School	Upon Completion of Background Check

- 2) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education approves the rescinding of the resolution to regards of employee #5327, 5206, and #5433 effective September 1, 2020.

B. RESIGNATION

- 1) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education accept the following employee resignations pursuant to N.J.S.A;18A:28-8; and Board of Education Policy 3141 for the 2020/2021 school year:

PB-1	Name	Position	UPC#	Location	Effective Date
A.	Noelle Ulatoski	Lunch Aide	AIDE.02.LNCH. NA.04 11-000-262-107-02-912-00	Gantner Avenue Elementary School	3/30/2021
B.	Yanet Pollock	Preschool Aide	AIDE.02.AUST. NA.01 11-214-100-106-01-000-00	Gilbert Avenue Elementary School	4/23/2021
C.	Kayla Mulligan	One to One Aide	AIDE.02.1TO1. NA.07 11-000-217-100-02-909-00	Gantner Avenue Elementary School	4/9/2021

C. RETIREMENT

- 1) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education **accept** the letter of intent to retire from **Marlene Matsko, Middle School/High School LAL Teacher**, effective June 30, 2021, **with regret**.
- 2) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education **accept** the letter of intent to retire from **Carmen Cueto, High School Spanish Teacher**, effective June 30, 2021, **with regret**.
- 3) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education **accept** the letter of intent to retire from **Richard McNeil, High School Spanish Teacher**, effective June 30, 2021, **with regret**.

D. COACHES /STIPEND

N/A

E. APPOINTMENT OF AIDES

N/A

F. SUBSTITUTES

N/A

G. TRANSFER

N/A

H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

N/A

I. VOLUNTEER

N/A

J. FMLA/MATERNITY LEAVE/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *Maternity/Disability/Leave of Absence*, for:

PJ-1	Name	School	Position	From	To
A.	Melanie Borrero	Gantner Avenue Elementary School	Classroom Aide	5/5/2021 (Sick 5/6/21 through 5/19/21) Unpaid 5/20/21-6/23/21	06/23/2021

K. WORKSHOP/TRAINING

PK-1	Name	Position	Date	Sub Required	Cost	Activity	Location
A.	Danielle Matijakovich	HS Teacher	5/14/2021	No	None	Beyond Traditional Job Development: The Art of Creating Opportunity	Virtual

B.	Anthony Iachetti	Superintendent	5/12-5/13/2021	No	\$50.00	NJSBA's Spring Education Symposium	Virtual
C.	Michelle Pappolla	ESL Teacher - Gilbert Avenue	6/10/2021	No	\$107.72 funded through Title IIA	Strategies to Detect & Correct Misclassification of Multilingual Learners	Virtual

L. STUDENT TEACHING OBSERVATION/PRACTICUM/INTERNSHIP

N/A

M. PARAPROFESSIONALS

N/A

N. EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

N/A

O. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

N/A

P. GENERAL

N/A

Motion of: Mrs. Gerardi

Seconded By: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: PA1-PK1

	DA	KC	DD	EM	CP	KP	DZ	LG	GL
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED									

2. STUDENTS

N/A

3. GENERAL

G1. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request for the 2020/2021 school year as listed below:

G1-	School Activity	Loc./ Sch.	Date/Time	Participants	Adm./Teach. Coach/Advis.
A.	Panera Bread Fundraiser Families can order food and a percentage will be donated to the 6th grade class.	Fair Lawn Location	April/May	District Students/ Families	Ms. Rittenhouse Ms. Phalon
B.	Teacher Appreciation Week Send your teacher a sweet note to say Thank you!	Gantner Avenue School	May 3rd to the 7th	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
C.	May The Flower Be With You Wear your Star Wars gear.	Gantner Avenue School	Tue., 5/4/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
D.	National Space Day Wear clothing with stars, planets, moons or things from out of this world.	Gantner Avenue School	Fri., 5/7/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
E.	Social Emotional Learning Focus Feelings.	Gantner Avenue School	Mon., 5/10/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
F.	Social Emotional Learning Focus Friends and Family.	Gantner Avenue School	Tue., 5/11/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
G.	Social Emotional Learning Focus Community and Communication.	Remote/On-line	Wed., 5/12/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter

H.	Social Emotional Learning Focus Problem Solving and Decision Making.	Gantner Avenue School	Thurs., 5/13/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
I.	Social Emotional Learning Focus Self-Esteem.	Gantner Avenue School	Fri., 5/14/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
J.	70's Day Show us your bell bottoms, hippie style, peace signs, glasses, tie dye, etc.	Gantner Avenue School	Tue., 5/18/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
K.	Reverse Day Teachers dress like students and students dress like teachers.	Gantner Avenue School	Thurs., 5/20/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
L.	National Endangered Species Day Animal lovers and conservationists unite.	Gantner Avenue School	Fri., 5/21/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
M.	National Scavenger Hunt Day Teachers will plan scavenger hunts/online escape rooms for students.	Gantner Avenue School	Mon., 5/24/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
N.	90's Day Dress like the 90's	Gantner Avenue School	Thurs., 5/27/21	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
O.	Turn the Page...Your Story has Begun! Literacy Week Teachers and Various members of the community will read their favorite children's book and provide literacy activities in honor of this event.	Virtual District Website	Sun., 5/16/21- Sat., 5/22/21	Elmwood Park All Students	EPEA
P.	New York Boulders Reading Incentive Program to encourage students to read.	Gilbert Avenue School	Mon., 4/26/21 - Sun., 5/16/21	All Gilbert Avenue Students	Ms. Fasouletos Ms. Cutrali
Q.	Drive in Movie Night Students will bring chairs to sit outside socially distance on the yard near the basketball court.	Gilbert Avenue School	Thurs., 5/13/21 or Rain Date Fri.,	Gilbert Avenue 5th Grade Students	Ms. Fasouletos

	Bottled water, juice and bags of popcorn will be provided. Admission \$6.00		5/14/21		
R.	Drive in Movie Night Students will bring chairs to sit outside socially distance on the yard near the basketball court. Bottled water, juice and bags of popcorn will be provided. Admission \$6.00	Gilbert Avenue School	Thurs., 5/20/21 or Rain Date Fri., 5/21/21	Gilbert Avenue 3rd and 4th Grade Students	Ms. Fasouletos
S.	Drive in Movie Night Students will bring chairs to sit outside socially distance on the yard near the basketball court . Bottled water, juice and bags of popcorn will be provided. Admission \$6.00	Gilbert Avenue School	Thurs., 5/27/21 or Rain Date Fri., 5/28/21	Gilbert Avenue 1st and 2nd Grade Students	Ms. Fasouletos
T.	5th Grade End of Year Dance Students will wear masks, fill out attestation forms and take temps to attend.	Gilbert Avenue Gym	Thurs., 6/10/21	Gilbert Avenue 5th Grade Students	Ms. Fasouletos
U.	5th Grade Fundraiser Personalized water bottle sale.	Gilbert Avenue School Online or Class Dojo	Mon., 5/3/21- Fri., 5/14/21	Gilbert Avenue 5th Grade Students	Ms. Fasouletos

G2. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***District Affirmative Action Committee*** for the 2021/2022 school year.

Anthony Iachetti
Jillian Torrento
Karen Fasouletos
Kathleen Gesumaria
George Luke
Tammy McLoughlin

G3. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***District Affirmative Action Officer*** for the 2021/2022 school year.

Jillian Torrento

G4. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***District HIB Coordinator*** for the 2021/2022 school year.

Jillian Torrento

G5. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***2021 JV Baseball/Softball Season to be Cancelled***

G6. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Donations(s)*** as submitted, for the 2020/2021 school year.

Donation	Donator(s)	Location
Art Supplies	Ms. Elena Polin	Sixteenth Avenue School

G7. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve ***staff professional development training*** regarding ***Cultural and Racial Sensitivity*** on Monday, May 3, 2021 to be paid through the Title IIa grant, not to exceed \$6,000.00.

Motion of: Mr. Cannizzo

Second by: Mrs. Gerardi

Consent Vote on item: G1-G7

	DA	KC	DD	EM	CP	KP	DZ	LG	GL
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED									

4. BUSINESS

M. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

Regular Meeting

March 23, 2021

Motion of: Mrs. Gerardi

Seconded by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: M1

	DA	KC	DD	EM	CP	KP	DZ	LG	GL
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED									

F. FINANCIAL

F1. FINANCIAL REPORTS

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education accepts the March 2021, financial report, as submitted, which include the monthly Board Secretary’s Report, Transfer 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 March 2021, 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 March 2021, 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 32091 through 32211 totaling \$1,117,835.00 through totaling and wire transfers totaling \$430,055.58 from Spencer Savings Bank Board of Education General Account, check numbers 1493 through 1494, totaling \$46,535.16 from board of education Food Service Account, which were reviewed by the Finance Committee, be confirmed for payment.

F3. PAYROLL CONFIRMATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education confirms the action of the board secretary/business administrator in issuing the payroll for March 30, 2021 in the total amount of \$1,000,316.15.

F4. PAYROLL CONFIRMATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education confirms the action of the board secretary/business administrator in issuing the payroll for April 15, 2021 in the total amount of \$1,052,865.62.

F5. APPROVAL OF CARES PURCHASES

BE IT RESOLVED: that, the board of education does hereby approve the purchase of the following to be paid through CARES funding, account 20-477-100-600-08-000-00
LinkIt! Benchmark Assessment Program
(not to exceed \$30,000.00)

F6. APPROVAL OF TITLE IV PURCHASE

BE IT RESOLVED: that, the board of education does hereby approve to enter into a contract from April 28, 2021 through June 30, 2021 to purchase dual enrollment through APEX Digital Curriculum Solutions, ALVS \$300.00 per student each semester, and ALVS 10-week Credit Recovery Course \$155.00 per student, utilizing Title IV Funding, account #20-280-200-320-08-000-00, as per the approved FY 21 ESEA application.

F7. ADOPTION OF 2021-2022 BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the Elmwood Park Board of Education hereby adopts the FY 2021-2022 budget as approved by the County Office and as advertised, as follows:

CURRENT GENERAL EXPENSE	\$48,846,608
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$ 3,130,918
TRANSFER TO CHARTER SCHOOLS	<u>\$ 1,021,200</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$52,998,726
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	\$ 1,400,789
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND	<u>\$ 2,647,325</u>
TOTAL DISTRICT BUDGET	\$57,046,840
GENERAL FUND TAX LEVY	\$34,765,194
DEBT SERVICE TAX LEVY	\$ 2,264,688

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

This budget withdraws \$2,960,000 from the district’s Capital Reserve Account to support Capital Projects;

AND

As per policy #6471 and NJAC 6A:23B-1.2(b) which provides that the Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for such travel and expense reimbursement and that for the 2020-2021 school year the Board of Education appropriated \$25,000 for travel and has spent \$0 to date; that the Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2021-2022 school year be set at the sum of \$25,000 and that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

Motion of: Mrs. Gerardi

Seconded by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: F1-F7

	DA	KC	DD	EM	CP	KP	DZ	LG	GL
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED									F3 #18795 F4 #188313

B. BUSINESS

BG1. USE OF FACILITIES – APPROVALS – OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the board of education approves the requests for Use of School Facilities from outside organizations, pending receipt of required documentation according to Board Policy #7510.

BG2. USE OF DISTRICT BUSES FOR ELMWOOD PARK RECREATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the board of education does hereby ratify the use of district buses by the Elmwood Park Recreation Department from April 2, 2021-April 9, 2021 during Spring Recess Camp.

BG3. USE OF DISTRICT BUSES FOR ELMWOOD PARK RECREATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the board of education does hereby approve the use of district buses by the Elmwood Park Recreation Department from June 28, 2021 through August 13, 2021 for Summer Camp.

BG4. SCHOOL BUS EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL - GANTNER AVENUE SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves the Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report of November 17, 2020 and March 29, 2021 for Cohort A for Gantner Avenue School be reflected in official board minutes of this meeting.

BG5. SCHOOL BUS EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL - GILBERT AVENUE SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves the Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report of March 23, 2021 for Cohort A and March 26, 2021 for Cohort B for Gilbert Avenue School be reflected in official board minutes of this meeting.

BG6. SCHOOL BUS EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL - 16th AVENUE SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves the Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report of November 16, 2020 for Cohort A and March 25, 2021 for Cohort B for 16th Avenue School be reflected in official board minutes of this meeting.

BG7. SCHOOL BUS EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL - MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves the Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report of March 19, 2021 for Cohort A and March 22, 2021 for Cohort B for Memorial Middle School be reflected in official board minutes of this meeting.

BG8. SCHOOL BUS EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL - MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves the Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report of March 19, 2021 for Cohort A and March 22, 2021 for Cohort B for Memorial High School be reflected in official board minutes of this meeting.

Motion of: Mr. Cannizzo

Seconded by: Mrs. Gerardi

Consent Vote on items: BG1-BG8

	DA	KC	DD	EM	CP	KP	DZ	LG	GL
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED									

H. HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION & BULLYING

H1. BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby affirm the Superintendent's decision on Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying case:

2020-2021-070-01

Motion of: Mrs. Gerardi

Seconded by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: H1

	DA	KC	DD	EM	CP	KP	DZ	LG	GL
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED									

L. LEGAL

L1. ENTRANCE INTO CONTRACTS WITH SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE COMMISSION FOR THE 2021/2022 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve entrance into a Joint Transportation Agreement with the South Bergen Jointure Commission, an approved Coordinated Transportation Service Agency, for the purpose of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the time period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the board of education also does hereby approve entrance into a Transportation Services Agreement with the South Bergen Jointure Commission for the purpose of transporting students in accordance with Chapter 53, P.L. 1997 for the time period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the subject services to be provided include, but are not limited to, the Coordinated Transportation of non-public, out-of-district special education, vocational and summer programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the board approves entering into contract with the South Bergen Jointure Commission for said services; and agrees to abide by the Transportation Services Agreement as published by the South Bergen Jointure Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby authorizes the Board President and the Board Secretary / Business Administrator to execute the contract documentation which will be maintained and made available for public inspection at the Board Secretary/Business Administrator offices.

L2. SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM 2021-2022

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves the acceptance of the grant and submission of the application for the 2021 Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey Schools Insurance Group's NJEIF Sub fund for the purposes described in the application, in the amount of \$15,920 for the 2021-2022 school year.

L3. ESSER II EDUCATION STABILIZATION GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves the acceptance of the federal **Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER II)** Education Stabilization funds and approves submission of the application for such funds to the NJDOE for the purposes described in the grant in the amount of \$1,986,094. Upon grant approval ESSER II funds are available through September 30, 2023.

L4. LEARNING ACCELERATION GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves the acceptance of the New Jersey State **Learning Acceleration Grant** and approves submission of the application for such funds to the NJDOE for the purposes described in the grant in the amount of \$127,458. Upon grant approval Learning Acceleration Grant funds are available through September 30, 2023.

L5. MENTAL HEALTH GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves the acceptance of the New Jersey State **Mental Health Grant** and approves submission of the application for such funds to the NJDOE for the purposes described in the grant in the amount of \$45,000. Upon grant approval Mental Health Grant funds are available through September 30, 2023.

L6. WAIVER OF MEAL OPERATIONS/ SSO APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the board of education does hereby ratify the applications for all waivers and other documents needed to be filed to participate and receive reimbursements from the state and federal meal programs, known as the **Seamless Summer Option (SSO)** through Pomptonian Food Services; and that Pomptonian is authorized to serve the equivalent of 7 meals per week to all district students for the 2020-21 school year due to the COVID 19 pandemic under the SSO guidelines; and that the board further approves the district apply for a waiver to continue the SSO federal meals program for all district students during the summer months until the first day of school in September 2021.

Motion of: Mr. Cannizzo

Seconded by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: L1-L6

	DA	KC	DD	EM	CP	KP	DZ	LG	GL
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED									

A. ADOPTION OF POLICIES AND REGULATIONS
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A1. SECOND READING OF REVISED POLICIES

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and Business administrator/board secretary, the board of education does hereby approve the Second reading of revised policies and regulations, and new policy as follows:

P 0145	Board Member Resignation and Removal (M) (Revised)
R 1642	Earned Sick Leave Law (M) (Revised)
P 1643	Family Leave (M) (New)
P 3431.1	Family Leave (M) (Abolished)
P 4431.1	Family Leave (M) (Abolished)
P 3431.3	New Jersey Family Leave Insurance Program (Abolished)
P 4431.3	New Jersey Family Leave Insurance Program (Abolished)
P & R 5330.01	Administration of Medical Cannabis (M) (Revised)
P 7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools (M) (Revised)
R 7425	Lead Testing of Water in Schools (M) (New)
P & R 7430	School Safety (M) (Abolished)
P 2415	Every Student Succeeds Act (M) (Revised)
P 2415.01	Academic Standards, Academic Assessments and Accountability (M) (Abolished)
P 2415.02	Title I - Fiscal Responsibilities (M) (Revised)
P 2415.03	Highly Qualified Teachers (M) (Abolished)
P 2415.05	Student Surveys, Analysis, and/or Evaluations (M) (Revised)
P & R 2415.20	Every Student Succeeds Act Complaints (M) (Revised)
P 4125	Employment of Support Staff Members (M) (Revised)
P 6360	Political Contributions (M) (Revised)

P 8330	Student Records (M) (Revised)
P 9713	Recruitment by Special Interest Groups (M) (Revised)
P 5430	Class Rank
R 2624	Grading System

Motion of: Mrs. Gerardi

Seconded by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: A1

	DA	KC	DD	EM	CP	KP	DZ	LG	GL
AYE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED									

Certified to be true copies of resolutions adopted by the Elmwood Park Board of Education at its meeting held on April 27, 2021.



John DiPaola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary