

**FINAL MINUTES  
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FEBRUARY 22, 2022**

The Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was held on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 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. Louise Gerardi, Mr. George Luke, Mrs. Elizabeth Mierzejewski, and Ms. Carrie Paretti. 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."

Mrs. Gerardi reviewed the agenda with the board.

At 6:06 p.m. the below listed Motion to go into closed session to was made by Mr. Cannizzo and Seconded by Ms. Paretti and unanimously approved by voice vote of the members present.

*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 personnel and will disclose to the public the subject matter listed when circumstances dictate the need for confidentiality no longer exists.*

At 6:25 p.m. a Motion to adjourn the closed session and return to the public meeting was made by Mr. Cannizzo and Seconded by Ms. Paretti and unanimously approved by voice vote of the members present. Mr. Zoltek was now present, (he arrived to the closed session meeting at 6:11 pm).

Upon reconvening the public session at 6:25 p.m. Mr. Anthony Inverso, Senior Managing Director of Phoenix Associates, the district's financial advisor and attorney, Tony Solimine from Willentz, Goldman and Spitzer, P.A. were now present. They led a discussion on the Refunding Opportunity of the current district debt which was on the agenda for approval at the regular meeting tonight. They discussed the benefits of refinancing the current district debt and saving the district money through bond refunding which when accomplished would be a direct savings to the taxpayers. The resolution if approved tonight would allow the district to move forward with refunding as long as the savings remained at least 3%.

Mr. Cannizzo asked Mr. DiPaola if the taxpayers' savings is something that can be discussed during the budget presentation. Mr. DiPaola said once finalized and completed the savings would be part of the 23-24 budget presentation.

At 6:41 p.m. a Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Cannizzo and Seconded by Ms. Paretti 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 February 22, 2022 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

**FINAL MINUTES  
-REGULAR MEETING-  
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FEBRUARY 22, 2022**

The Regular Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was held on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 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. Louise 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.” Everyone stood for the flag salute and a moment of silence.

Mrs. Gerardi introduced the student congress members.

Alex Lidwin - Sr. Class President discussed the following:

- Revising Student Congress Constitution
- Recording candidates speeches
- Partnership with Environmental Club to plant a garden

Francesca Carillo - Jr. Class President

- Jr. Class attended Camp Gaw Ski Trip
- Looking into more trips for students in the Spring
- Assemblies in the future
- March 7th, masks will be optional
- April - next student congress report

### Public Hearing on Item L2 Bond Refunding

At 7:05 p.m. Mrs. Gerardi opened the meeting for public comments on *Item L2- Bond Refunding*. No one from the public spoke so the public comment portion was closed.

Mrs. Gerardi introduced Mr. Jeffrey Bliss (Lerch, Vinci) for his Audit presentation.

### Mr. Bliss discussed the following regarding the 2020-21 audit:

- Financial statements were unmodified
- Compliance with federal government were unmodified
- Government auditing standards and internal controls - no issues
- District is in excellent financial standing
- Mr. Bliss then discussed the district's fund balance and reserve balances in detail
- 4% in fund balance is new this year
- District is in very sound, secure financial position

Mr. Cannizzo thanked Mr. DiPaola & the district team for steering the district in the right direction. He stated it is an honor to have two years in a row with an excellent audit review.

At 7:16 p.m. Mrs. Gerardi turned the meeting over to Mr. Iachetti for the superintendent's Report.

### Mr. Iachetti discussed the following:

- Thanked Mr. DiPaola & staff for their work - great audit review
- April 7th - High School Career Day
- Keeping an eye on the weather for Friday - no more snow days
- Possibility of virtual learning on Friday due to inclement weather

At 7:18 p.m. the meeting was opened to the public on agenda items only. No one from the public spoke. Votes were taken on agenda items.

At 7:25 p.m. the meeting was opened to the public. No one from the public spoke, so the meeting was opened for board comments.

### Mr. Luke

- Congratulated Students of the Month
- Thanked Mr. DiPaola and the finance department for the great audit

### Mr. Cannizzo

- Student Congress planting a garden - great idea!

- Possibility of getting donations toward the garden
- Thanked Mr. DiPaola for all his hard work and for a great audit

Mrs. Mierzejewski

- Congratulated the Students of the Month
- Thanked Mr. DiPaola and his team for the great audit
- Student Congress garden - great idea!

Mr. Zoltek

- Congratulated the Students of the Month
- Outstanding audit

Ms. Pena

- Thanked everyone for attending the meeting
- Congratulated the Students of the Month
- Thanked Mr. DiPaola and finance department for their hard work with the audit

Ms. Parette

- Progress

Mr. DeMatteo

- Thanked Mr. DiPaola and his team with the audit
- Progress

Mrs. Aspras

- Thanked Mr. DiPaola for all his hard work
- Progress

Mrs. Gerardi

- Thanked everyone for attending the meeting
- Congratulated the Students of the Month
- Great finance department
- Wonderful audit report
- Student Congress garden - great idea!
- Happy to see the district is addressing mental health issues
- Bullying and respect assemblies
- Gantner to hold assembly
- Next Monday boys basketball states at home and girls in Demarest

Mrs. Gerardi announced there will be a five minutes recess before Mr. Lee's Board Ethics presentation.

#### NJSBA Training

At 7:34 p.m. Mrs. Gerardi introduced Mr. Lee, NJSBA for Board Training. Mr Lee led an interactive discussion which included a powerpoint presentation (a copy of which is attached).

#### During the training Mr. Lee discussed the following:

- School Ethics Act-Code of Ethics
- Part of NJQSAC Governance Indicator
- Mandated Training for Board Members - Governance I, II, and III
- School Ethics Commission (SEC) cases
- SEC Jurisdiction
- Advisory Opinions

As part of the training, each board member read the Code of Ethics outloud and Mr. Lee reviewed each standard. He also reviewed the SEC Commission decisions with the board members.

Mr. Lee concluded his presentation at 8:27 p.m.

At 8:28 p.m. a Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Paretto and Seconded by Ms. Pena 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 February 22, 2022 to be true and correct and in complete agreement with the official Minute Book of the Board of Education.

Respectfully submitted,



John DiPaola  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary



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

**WORK MEETING**  
February 22, 2022

**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 . OPEN SESSION REVIEW OF REGULAR AGENDA

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

C. DISCUSSION ON BOND REFUNDING RESOLUTION ITEM L2-REGULAR AGENDA

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 PERSONNEL 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  
February 22, 2022**

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION IS BEING HELD THIS EVENING AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE MEDIA CENTER AT MEMORIAL MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL, 375 RIVER DRIVE, ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY.**

- A. ROLL CALL, SUNSHINE STATEMENT, FLAG SALUTE
- B. PUBLIC HEARING/PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEM L.2- BOND REFUNDING
- C. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:
  - 2020-2021 AUDIT PRESENTATION-LERCH, VINCI, HIGGINS (JEFFREY BLISS)
  - SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
- 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. NJSBA BOARD TRAINING-MATT LEE, NJSBA
- J. CLOSED SESSION – AS MAY BE REQUIRED
- K. 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 January, 2022.

GILBERT AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Jayden Campos	Pre-K
Filip Kozeski	K
Justin Jones	K
Layla Shuaib	K
Ariya Patel	1
Melisa Shmukler	1
Pavel Valencia Matias	1
Chloe Rivera	2
Samil Munoz	2
Brooklyn Malave	2
Christian Bevza	3
Sara Kozeska	3
Kaylee Aquino	3
Daniella Santamaria	4
Emily Tylutki	4
Orieas Rodriguez	4
Alex Halet	5
Saul Munoz	5
Brandon Bisono	5

GANTNER AVENUE SCHOOL

<u>STUDENT NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Meghan Kimmel	K
Otylia Jakobik	K
Carlos Lituma	1
Brayden Hernandez	1
Om Biridar	1
Sean Kunz	1
Amir Saleh	1
Xavier Dushane	2
Antonia Feliciano	2
Rhema Egboka	2
Julian Burdiez	3
Martina Cvetanoska	3
Elinne Sunga	3
Brandyn Moody	4
Arin Basturk	4
Zlatko Ugrinvoski	4
Gabriella Daniszewki	5
Sophia Pawlicki	5

SIXTEENTH AVENUE SCHOOL

<u>STUDENT NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Ryan Contreras Sanchez	Pre-K

Wateen Omran	Pre-K
Klaudia Moscicki	Pre-K
Drisna Patel	Pre-K
Raelan Martinez	Pre-K
Kaleb Lamson	K
Emily Cervantes Maza	K
Benjamin Alfaro	1
Jayce Lanfranco	1
Albion Seferi	1
Fatima Kinikar	2
Liam Mitchell	2
Yasmine Abdallatif	2
Krish J. Patel	3
Jose Lugo Marmol	3
Zaynab Elreda	3
Alan Moronta Cruz	4
Luke Oviedo-Vasquez	4
Sean Costa	4
Jacob Bzdyra	4
Camila Ortega Fermin	5
Hasan Abushahba	5
Brian Tran	5

## MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

Zuzanna Rojecki	6
Olivia Rosado	7
Gavin Townsend	8

## MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

Jiya Patel	9
Jadhe Samanez	10
Holger Villeda Fajardo	11
Keroles Fawzy	12

## 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 for the 2021/2022 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

PA-1	Name	Position	UPC#	Salary	Location	Effective Date
A.	Lauren Fiorino	Guidance Counselor	TCH.01.GUID. HS.01 11-000-218-104- 11-000-00	MA Step 1 \$54,830 (Prorated)	Memorial Middle School	1/31/22 <i>(Revised from 1/25/22 agenda)</i>
B.	Samantha Sousa	Leave Replacement	TCH.11.LAL. NA.07 11-130-100-101- 11-003-00	BA Step 1 \$51,080 (Prorated)	Memorial Middle School	2/9/22 through 6/17/22

C.	Jodi Buri	Long Term Substitute	11-120-100-101-02-901-00	\$150/daily	Gantner Avenue School	1/1/22
D.	Jessica Bryan	Leave Replacement	TCH.03.ELEM. EL.07 11-120-100-101-03-000-00	BA Step 1 \$51,080 (Prorated)	Gilbert Avenue School	Upon Completion of Background Check
E.	Jermaine Bing II	Custodian	CUS.01.CUST. NA.05 11-000-262-100-01-000-00	Step 1 \$45,624 (Prorated)	Memorial High School	Upon Completion of Background Check

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 2021/2022 school year:

<b>PB-1</b>	Name	Position	UPC#	Location	Effective Date
A.	Shannon Lucas	CST	TCH.07.CSTS.NA.05 11-000-219-104-07-000-00	Sixteenth Avenue School	3/25/22
B.	Mary Claire Rooney	One to One Aide	AIDE.04.1TO1.NA.23 11-000-217-100-04-909-00	Sixteenth Avenue School	2/11/22
C.	Gilda Vanderhorst	Resource Room Aide	AIDE.03.RRC.NA.01 11-213-100-106-03-000-00	Gilbert Avenue School	2/17/22
D.	Steven Herget	Assistant Varsity Football Coach	11-402-100-100-01-034-00	Memorial High School	2/23/22

E.	Narita Ghosh Ray	Autistic Aide	AIDE.02.AUST.NA.03 11-214-100-106-02-000-00	Gantner Avenue School	2/17/22
----	------------------	---------------	--	-----------------------	---------

C. RETIREMENT

N/A

D. COACHES /STIPEND

- 1) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve the extra-curricular activity*, student activity positions as listed in the categories below:

PD-1	Name	Position	Salary	UPC #	Location	Effective Date
A.	Deanna DelleFave	Assistant Varsity Softball Coach	Step 3 \$5,929	11-402-100-100-01-037-00	Memorial High School	2/23/22
B.	Cierra Wartel	J.V. Softball Coach	Step 1 \$4,864	11-402-100-100-01-037-00	Memorial High School	2/23/22

- 2) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following *mentors for district staff*, for the 2021/2022 school year, paid through payroll deductions of mentees (NJDOE rate).

PD-2	MENTEE	MENTOR
A.	Rebecca Belo	Christina Gomez
B.	Samantha Sousa	Andres Nuiver
C.	Ludis Salgado	Yessenia Benitez
D.	Jessica Bryan	Elizabeth Sadej

- 3) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve that the ***below listed district staff***, be compensated for additional medical duties performed during the 2021/2022 school year from September 1, 2021- June 30, 2022 due to Covid 19 Pandemic, at a rate of \$65.00 per hour, for a maximum of 15 hours per week during weekdays and if need be an additional 15 hours per weekend; total weekly hours not to exceed 30.

Stephanie Berliner  
 Marie Corrigan  
 Rebeca Esquivel  
 Jasmine Santillan- Jimenez  
 Danielle LaBianco

- 4) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve that the ***below listed district staff***, be compensated \$750 a month for additional duties performed during the 2021/2022 school year from September 1, 2021- June 30, 2022 due to maternity leave coverage needed in Special Services during the 2021/2022 school year.

Tammy McLoughlin  
 Antoinette Malloy

E. APPOINTMENT OF AIDES

- 1) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, 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 for the 2021/2022 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

PE-1	Name	Position	UPC #	Salary	Location	Effective Date
A.	Rubina Ahmed	One to One Aide	AIDE.03.1TO1. NA.05 11-000-217-100-03-909-00	\$17.50 per hour	Gilbert Avenue School	Upon Completion of background check
B.	Uday Chinaiwala	One to One Aide	AIDE.02.1TO1. NA.09 11-000-217-100-02-909-00	\$17.50 per hour	Gantner Avenue School	Upon Completion of background check
C.	Luz Balareza	Autistic Aide	AIDE.02.AUST. NA.03 11-214-100-106-02-000-00	\$17.50 per hour	Gantner Avenue School	Upon Completion of Background Check

NOTE: These appointments cannot exceed 29 hours per week and do not include benefits, vacations, health benefits, sabbatical leave, or any other benefits provided by contract between the Elmwood Park Education Association and the Elmwood Park Board of Education

F. SUBSTITUTES

George Johnston  
 Daniel Wong  
 Richard McNeil  
 Krikor Takvorian - Substitute Custodian  
 Tyler Martinez  
 Rebecca Carrone

NOTE: These appointments cannot exceed 29 hours per week and 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) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, 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, for the 2021/2022 school year:

PG-1	Name	From	To	Effective Date
A.	Michael Torres	High School (Custodian) CUS.01.CUST.NA.05 11-000-262-100- 01-000-00	16th Avenue (Custodian) CUST.04.CUST.NA.03 11-000-262-100- 04-000-00	2/23/22

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.	Chloe Kim	Memorial High School	Teacher of Mathematics	2/3/22 (Unpaid)	5/2/22



B.	Jasmine Santillan-Jimenez	Memorial High School	Nurse	1/28/22 <i>(Unpaid)</i> <i>(Revised from 1/25/22 agenda)</i>	3/1/2022
C.	Jessica Michalowski	BOE	Special Services Confidential Secretary	2/14/22 <i>(Unpaid)</i> <i>(Revised from 8/24/2021 agenda)-Unpaid</i>	9/6/2022
D.	Ryanne Doran	Sixteenth Avenue School	Elementary School Teacher	3/17/22	3/21/22
E.	Laurie Zeltzer	Gantner Avenue School	Occupational Therapist	1/18/22 <i>(Unpaid)</i> <i>(Amended from 1/25/22 agenda)</i>	4/8/2022
F.	Melanie Borrero	Gantner Avenue Elementary School	Classroom Aide	2/1/22 <i>(Amended from 4/27/21 agenda)</i>	4/25/22
G.	Joyce Batraki	Gantner Avenue Elementary School	Elementary School Teacher	5/20/22 <i>(Sick 5/20/22-6/17/22)</i> <i>Unpaid 9/1/22-12/22/22)</i>	12/23/22

**K. WORKSHOP/TRAINING**

1) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following request for the 2021/2022 school year, for the following employees to attend workshops:

PK-1	Name	Position	Date	Sub Required	Cost	Activity	Location
A.	Steve Bakreski	Director of Facilities	3/20/22 - 3/23/22	No	\$850.00	NJSBGA Expo/Conference	Atlantic City, NJ
B.	Kurt Mathews	Supervisor of Instruction	3/10/2022	No	No Cost	A New Place: Civics 2022	Montclair, NJ

C.	Andrea Doumar	Occupational Therapist	3/1/2022	No	\$609.96 funded through the ARP Grant	Certified ADHD Professional Intensive Training Course	Digital Workshop
D.	Andrea Doumar	Occupational Therapist	3/7/2022	No	\$549.92 funded through the ARP Grant	Certified Autism Disorder Clinical Specialist	Digital Workshop
E.	Gina LoBue	Occupational Therapist	3/1/2022	No	\$609.96 funded through the ARP Grant	Certified ADHD Professional Intensive Training Course	Digital Workshop
F.	Gina LoBue	Occupational Therapist	3/7/2022	No	\$549.92 funded through the ARP Grant	Certified Autism Disorder Clinical Specialist	Digital Workshop
G.	Diane Bates	Speech Teacher	2021-2022	No	\$89.00 funded through the ARP Grant	Annual CEU membership which will provide unlimited access to training & PD	Virtual
H.	Desiree D'Agostino	Speech Teacher	2021-2022	No	\$89.00 funded through the ARP Grant	Annual CEU membership which will provide unlimited access to training & PD	Virtual
I.	Diane Lovermi	Speech Teacher	2021-2022	No	\$89.00 funded through the ARP Grant	Annual CEU membership which will provide unlimited access to training & PD	Virtual
J.	Lauren Reiser	Speech Teacher	2021-2022	No	\$89.00 funded through the ARP Grant	Annual CEU membership which will provide unlimited access	Virtual

						to training & PD	
K.	Alexandria Soto	Speech Teacher	2021-2022	No	\$89.00 funded through the ARP Grant	Annual CEU membership which will provide unlimited access to training & PD	Virtual

L. STUDENT TEACHING OBSERVATION/PRACTICUM/INTERNSHIP

N/A

M. PARAPROFESSIONALS

N/A

N. EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

**Approval of EPEA Sidebar Agreements**

- 1) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education approve the **Sidebar Agreement, as submitted**, between the Elmwood Park Board of Education and the Elmwood Park Education Association (EPEA) regarding Memorandum of Agreement dated June 14, 2021 and stipend payments as approved in the MOA.
- 2) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education approve the **Sidebar Agreement**, between the Elmwood Park Board of Education and the Elmwood Park Education Association (EPEA) amending the recognition clause of the EPEA agreement

O. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

1. ABA Specialist

P. GENERAL

N/A

Motion of: Mr. Cannizzo

Seconded By: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: PA1-PO1

	KC	DD	GL	EM	CP	KP	DZ	DA	LG
<b>AYE</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>		PA1-E	PN1						

2. STUDENTS
-------------

- 1) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *out of district one to one aide (s)* as regulated by N.J.A.C. 6A:14 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-18, Private/Public Schools for Students with Disabilities for the 2021/2022 school year as indicated:

S1-	SID	School Name	Dates	Total Tuition
A.	110252	BCSS- Brownstone	9/9/21- 6/23/22	\$49,500.00
B.	108966	BCSS- Brownstone	9/9/21 - 6/23/22	\$49,500.00
C.	109448	BCSS- Brownstone	9/9/21 - 6/23/22	\$49,500.00
D.	110266	BCSS- Washington South	9/9/21- 6/23/22	\$49,500.00

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

- 2) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *ProCare Therapy* Client Services Agreement for the 2021/2022 school year.
- 3) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following rates for incoming tuition students for the 2021/2022 school year as indicated:

Transition Program Tuition \$25,190 annual rate  
 OT & Speech \$42.00 per hour

4) Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following students as *incoming tuition student(s)* for the 2021/2022 school year as indicated:

S4-	SID	EPPS School Name / Sending District	Dates	Total Incoming Tuition
A.	103151	Elmwood Park Memorial High School (Transition Program) / Saddle Brook Public Schools	2/8/22 - 6/17/22	Program: \$25,190.00/year (prorated) 1:1 aide: \$17,640.00/year (prorated)
B.	112686	Sixteenth Avenue School (PSD / ASD Program) / Garfield Public Schools	2/7/22 - 6/17/22	Program: \$14,371.00/year (prorated) 1:1 aide: \$22,680.00/year (prorated) Occupational & Speech Therapy: \$42/hour (per session as per IEP)

Motion of: Mrs. Aspras

Seconded by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: S1-S4

	KC	DD	GL	EM	CP	KP	DZ	DA	LG
<b>AYE</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

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 2021/2022 school year as listed below:

<b>G1-</b>	<b>School Activity</b>	<b>Loc./ Sch.</b>	<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Participants</b>	<b>Adm./Teach. Coach/Advis</b>
A.	Elementary School Spring Concert Dress Rehearsal  Elementary School Spring Concert	High School Auditorium	5/24/22  5/25/22	All Elementary 4th and 5th Grade Students	Ms. Hoke Ms. Chaiken
B.	The High School Theater Group will attend The American Theater Group 4th Annual Dramafest. They will attend workshops and attend a private dress rehearsal of ATG June Production.	Sieminski Theater 800 Fellowship Road Basking Ridge, NJ	5/4/22 8:30am to 4:00pm	High School Musical Theater Group	Ms. Jacobs
C.	Read Across America This is a new event, where each grade level will compete to raise the most in sponsors and funds for their school library. Each donation will be displayed outside the classrooms on the read-across America template.	Gantner Ave. Gilbert Ave. Sixteenth Ave.	3/4/22 3/3/22 3/2/22	All Elementary Students	Ms. Longaker Ms. Palmiere Ms. Clark
D.	Read Across America Classes will read stories, have guest readers, complete grammar activities.	Gantner Ave. Gilbert Ave. Sixteenth Ave.	2/28/22 to 3/4/22	All Elementary Students	Ms. Longaker Ms. Palmiere Ms. Clark
E.	Reading Contest K-2 Students will design a book cover for a book that was read. 3-5 students will make a book trailer, based on a book that they are reading.	Ganter Ave. Gilbert Ave. Sixteenth Ave.	3/1/22 to 4/8/22	All Elementary Students	Ms. Dombrowski Ms. Longaker Ms. Surniak Ms. Walmach Ms. Freyer

F.	Elmwood Park Police Department and Tiger Schulman will host a Bullying and Respect Assembly	High School Auditorium	TBD	All Students	Mr. Samuels
G.	Dance Recital The Dance Club will showcase all the dances they have been working on throughout the year.	High School Auditorium	5/12/22 5/13/22 5/14/22	MS/HS Dance Club Members	Ms. Kriegel Ms. Trejo
H.	5th Grade Peer Leaders will teach students how to resolve conflicts peacefully.	Gantner Ave.	TBD	Ganter Ave. All Students	Ms. Severini Ms. Jackter
I.	TREPS Marketplace will be held for students in the program to sell the products they created.	Middle School Gym	5/9/22 5:00pm to 8:00pm	Students in the Finance Club	Ms. Bartlett Ms. Dock

G2. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***District Twitter Page (Elmwood Park Public School @EPPSNJ)*** for the 2022/2023 school year.

G3. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***District Facebook Page (Elmwood Park Public School @EPPSNJ)*** for the 2022/2023 school year.

G4. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***District Instagram Page (Elmwood Park Public School @EPPSNJ)*** for the 2022/2023 school year.

G5. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Back to School Nights*** for the 2022/2023 school year.

Memorial High School: Thursday, September 22, 2022 at 7:00pm  
 Memorial Middle School: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 7:00pm  
 Elementary Schools: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 7:00pm

G6. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the use of Memorial MS/HS by BCASA (Bergen County Association of School Administrators) for the ***BCASA Job Fair*** to be held on April 2, 2022.

G7. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of

education confirm/approve training/technical assistance regarding ***Comprehensive Health and Physical Education (CHPE) NJSL Standards and Instructional Programming*** for physical education/health staff (up to 7 hours) on dates to be determined. Additionally, a virtual parent presentation (up to 3 hours) will be made on May 17, 2022. Both training and the parent presentation will be provided by Answer (Rutgers Univ.) to be paid through the Title IIA and ESSER II Grants, not to exceed \$5,000.00.

G8. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Active Shooter And Other Drills*** as requested from Chief Michael Foligno, Elmwood Park Police Department, in district schools for the 2022/2023 school year, dates and times to be determined, when school is not in session.

G9. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Violence Awareness Training for Staff and Students*** as requested from Bergen County Prosecutor's Officer, in district schools during the 2022/2023 school year, dates and times to be determined, when school is not in session.

G10. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***K-9 Training And Other Drills*** as requested from Bergen County Sheriff's Department, in district schools for the 2022/2023 school year, dates and times to be determined, when school is not in session.

G11. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Donations(s)*** as submitted, for the 2021/2022 school year.

<b>Donation</b>	<b>Donator(s)</b>	<b>Location</b>
Dictionaries	Elmwood Park Elks	All 3rd Grade Elementary Students

G12. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the purchase of SAVVAS Summer Impact Program (Math and ELA) for identified students in grades K through 10 participating in the summer program. To be funded through ESSER II Grants (\$27,097.38).



G13. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve an anti-bullying assembly program to be held in each of the elementary schools (Stand Up Step In) by Mobile Ed Productions, Inc. to be funded through ESSER II Grants (\$2,685.00).

G14. Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the Fresh Start program for all grade 9 students that includes an All Freshman Assembly, All Freshman Leadership Workshop and All Freshman Potential Leaders Workshop on May 10, 2022 provided by Real inspiration , Inc. to be funded through ESSER II Grants (\$3,800.00).

Motion of: Ms. Paretti

Second by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on item: G1-G14

	<b>KC</b>	<b>DD</b>	<b>GL</b>	<b>EM</b>	<b>CP</b>	<b>KP</b>	<b>DZ</b>	<b>DA</b>	<b>LG</b>
<b>AYE</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

**4. BUSINESS**

**M. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

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

Regular Meeting

January 25, 2022

Motion of: Mr. Cannizzo

Seconded by: Mrs. Mierzejewski

Consent Vote on items: M1

	<b>KC</b>	<b>DD</b>	<b>GL</b>	<b>EM</b>	<b>CP</b>	<b>KP</b>	<b>DZ</b>	<b>DA</b>	<b>LG</b>
<b>AYE</b>	X	X	X	X	X			X	X
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>						X	X		

**F. FINANCIAL**

**F1. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** that the board of education accepts the January 2022, financial report, as submitted, which includes 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 January 2022, 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 2022, 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 33596 through 33706 totaling \$1,039,663.87 and wire transfers totaling \$41,450.83 from Spencer Savings Bank Board of Education General Account, check numbers 1531 through 1535 totaling \$118,071.73 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 January 28, 2022 in the total amount of \$1,063,369.84.

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 February 15, 2022 in the total amount of \$1,094,997.43.

F5. ALLOCATION OF COMPENSATION AND FUNDING SOURCE 2020/2021  
TITLE I GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education approve the following employee as a Data Analysts for the remainder of the 2021/2022 school year under Title I Grant,  
Account # 20-231-100-100-11-000-00

Samantha Dock

F6. ACCEPTANCE OF SCHOOL SECURITY GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the board of education accepts the NJDOE School Security Grant, # 22E00121 in the amount of \$144,169 as required and also approves that the district apply for reimbursement for approved projects as outlined in the grant.

F7. ACCEPTANCE OF ARP ESSER & ARP-HCY FUNDING

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the board of education accepts the American Rescue Plan Act Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) Funding in the amount of \$29,456 as required and also approves that the district apply and submit all needed applications, reimbursements and needed paperwork for approved uses as outlined in the grant.

F8. APPROVAL OF DISTRICT TUITION RATES FOR THE 2022/2023 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve the tuition rates for the 2022/2023 school year a follows:

Kindergarten	\$11,196
Grades 1-5	\$11,838
Grades 6-8	\$11,350

Grades 9-12	\$12,000
LLD	\$13,049
Emot. Reg. Imp. (BD)	\$31,444
Preschool Disabled (Part Time)	\$15,125
Autism	\$31,285
Multiple Disability	\$43,557

F9. APPROVAL OF INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES FUNDING SOURCE  
2021/2022 ESSER II GRANT:

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approves the following instructional supplies, to be purchased under Apple Contract, ESCNJ 18/19-67; 30 MacBook Air: Laptops and correlating Power Adapters and Charger Cables, as per the 2021/2022 ESSER II Grant, Account # 20-483-100-600-08-000-00: \$32,880.00.

F10. APPROVAL OF INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES FUNDING SOURCE  
2021/2022 ESSER II GRANT:

BE IT RESOLVED: upon the recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approves the following instructional supplies, 30 ClassLink LaunchPad Roster Server-OneSync, as per the 2021/2022 ESSER II Grant, Account # 20-483-100-600-08-000-00 : \$13,812.00.

Motion of: Mrs. Aspras

Seconded by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: F1-F10

	KC	DD	GL	EM	CP	KP	DZ	DA	LG
<b>AYE</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>			F3 #0551 F4 #1074						

**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 approve the use of district buses by the Elmwood Park Recreation Department from June 20, 2022 through August 5, 2022 for Summer Camp.

**BG3. ACCEPTANCE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION MEDICAID INITIATIVE (SEMI) ACTION PLAN**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** that the board of education hereby accepts and approves the business administrator/board secretary to submit the 2022/2023 SEMI Action Plan to the Bergen County Executive County Superintendent in accordance with New Jersey Department of Education requirements.

Motion of: Mr. Cannizzo

Seconded by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: BG1-BG3

	<b>KC</b>	<b>DD</b>	<b>GL</b>	<b>EM</b>	<b>CP</b>	<b>KP</b>	<b>DZ</b>	<b>DA</b>	<b>LG</b>
<b>AYE</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

<b>H. HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION &amp; BULLYING</b>
---

**H1. BE IT RESOLVED:** that the board of education does hereby affirm the Superintendent’s decision on Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying cases: #2021-2022-090-02  
#2021-2022-050-03  
#2021-2022-080-06

Motion of: Mrs. Aspras

Seconded by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: H1

	<b>KC</b>	<b>DD</b>	<b>GL</b>	<b>EM</b>	<b>CP</b>	<b>KP</b>	<b>DZ</b>	<b>DA</b>	<b>LG</b>
<b>AYE</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

**L. LEGAL**

L1. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 30, 2021 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby acknowledge the receipt, review and evaluation of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the period ending June 30, 2021.

L2. APPROVE ISSUANCE & REFUNDING OF SCHOOL BONDS

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve a

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS NECESSARY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$15,750,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF REFUNDING SCHOOL BONDS AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS TO DO ALL ACTS AND THINGS DEEMED NECESSARY AND ADVISABLE IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE, ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY OF SAID BONDS**

WHEREAS, on July 9, 2014, The Board of Education of the Borough of Elmwood Park in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the “Board” when referring to the governing body and the “School District” when referring to the territorial boundaries governed by the Board) issued \$30,565,000 aggregate principal amount of Board Bonds to the Bergen County Improvement Authority, consisting of a \$9,290,000 School Bond, Series 2014, and a \$21,275,000 Refunding School Bond, Series 2014 dated July 9, 2014 (collectively, the “2014 Board Bonds”); and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the current interest rate environment may enable it to realize going-forward debt service savings



for property taxpayers residing in the School District through the issuance by the Board of Refunding School Bonds (the “Refunding School Bonds”) to refund all or a portion of the \$14,110,000 aggregate principal amount of the outstanding 2014 Board Bonds maturing on August 1 in the years 2025 through 2034, inclusive (the “Refunded Bonds”); and

WHEREAS, the Board introduced a refunding school bond ordinance (the “Refunding Bond Ordinance”) on first reading by resolution of the Board on January 25, 2022; and

WHEREAS, on the date hereof, the Board held a public hearing on the Refunding Bond Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined to issue and sell such Refunding School Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Board now desires to authorize certain actions in connection with the sale and issuance of the Refunding School Bonds.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY (by not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Refunding Bond Ordinance is hereby adopted and shall take effect immediately.

SECTION 2. There is hereby delegated to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, subject to the limitations contained herein and in consultation with Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., Woodbridge, New Jersey, Bond Counsel to the Board (“Bond Counsel”), and Phoenix Advisors, LLC, as Municipal Advisor to the Board (the “Municipal Advisor”), the power with respect to the Refunding School Bonds, which may be sold in one or more series, to determine and carry out the following, as may be applicable:

a) the sale of the Refunding School Bonds at private sale, provided that the purchase price paid by the purchaser thereof shall not be less than ninety-five percent (95%) of the principal amount of the Refunding School Bonds so sold;

b) the principal amount of Refunding School Bonds to be issued, provided that (i) such amount shall not exceed \$15,750,000, and (ii) such amount shall not exceed the amount necessary to pay the costs of issuance associated with the Refunding School Bonds and to fund the deposit to the escrow fund as set forth in the Escrow Deposit Agreement (as defined herein) in an amount that, when invested, will be sufficient to provide for the timely payments required for the Refunded Bonds;

c) the maturity dates and the principal amount of each maturity or sinking fund redemption amount of the Refunding School Bonds, provided that no Refunding School Bonds refunding the Refunded Bonds shall mature later than the maturity date of the respective Refunded Bonds;

d) the interest payment dates and the interest rates on the Refunding School Bonds, provided that the true interest cost on the Refunding School Bonds shall produce a present value debt service savings of at least three percent (3%) of the principal amount of the Refunded Bonds;

e) the denomination or denominations of and the manner of numbering and lettering the Refunding School Bonds, provided that all Refunding School Bonds of like maturity shall be identical in all respects, except as to denominations, amounts, numbers and letters;

f) provisions for the sale or exchange of the Refunding School Bonds and for the delivery thereof;

g) the form of the Refunding School Bonds shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, with such additions, deletions and omissions as may be necessary for the Board to market the Refunding School Bonds in accordance with the requirements of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, (“DTC”), if applicable, and the Purchase Contract (as defined herein);

h) the direction for the application and investment of the proceeds of the Refunding School Bonds;

i) the terms of redemption of the Refunding School Bonds, if any;

j) the determination to issue such Refunding School Bonds on a current or forward basis;

k) the determination to issue such Refunding School Bonds on a taxable or tax-exempt basis;

l) the determination to sell the Refunding School Bonds to a purchaser (the “Purchaser”) as selected by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with the Municipal Advisor after a solicitation process conducted by a placement agent (as selected by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary) or by the Municipal Advisor, in accordance with the a commitment letter on a current or forward delivery basis, if required, to be entered into by and between the Purchaser and the Board pursuant to this resolution;

m) the determination to sell the Refunding School Bonds via a public offering to an underwriter(s) (the “Underwriter”) to be selected by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary in consultation with the Municipal Advisor; and

n) the determination to sell the Refunding School Bonds to the Bergen County Improvement Authority in consultation with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor; and/or

o) any other provisions deemed advisable by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary not in conflict with the provisions hereof.

In addition, the issuance of the Refunding School Bonds shall comply with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:30-2.5, including that within ten (10) days of the date of the closing on the Refunding School Bonds, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall file a report with the Local Finance Board within the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs setting forth (a) a comparison of the Refunding School Bonds’ debt service and the Refunded Bonds’ debt service, which comparison shall set forth the present value savings achieved by the issuance of the Refunding School Bonds; (b) a summary of the issuance of the Refunding School Bonds; (c) an itemized accounting of all costs of issuance in connection with the issuance of the Refunding School Bonds; and (d) a certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that (i) all of the conditions of Section (b) of N.J.A.C. 5:30-2.5 have been met, and (ii) this resolution authorizing the issuance of the Refunding School Bonds, adopted pursuant to 18A:24-61.5(b), was approved by a two-thirds vote of the full membership of the Board.

The Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall execute a certificate evidencing the determinations or other actions taken pursuant to the authority granted hereunder, and any such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the actions or determinations of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary as to the matters stated therein.

SECTION 3. The President and Vice President of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute by manual or facsimile signature the Refunding School Bonds in the name of the Board and the corporate seal (or facsimile thereof) shall be thereunto affixed, imprinted, engraved or otherwise reproduced thereon. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to attest to such signature and to the affixing of said seal to the Refunding School Bonds.

SECTION 4. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, is hereby authorized and directed to approve a Bond Purchase Contract (the “Purchase Contract”), if required, for the Refunding School Bonds, to be dated the date of sale of such Refunding School Bonds and to be executed by the Purchaser. The President, Vice President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized and directed on behalf of the Board to execute and deliver said Purchase Contract.

SECTION 5. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, is hereby authorized and directed to apply and qualify for the issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance and to approve a Commitment for Municipal Bond Insurance (the “Commitment”) setting forth the terms and conditions (including premium charges) upon which a bond insurer proposes to issue its bond insurance policy covering the Refunding School Bonds. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed on behalf of the Board to execute and deliver said Commitment.

SECTION 6. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, is hereby authorized and directed to approve the Escrow Deposit Agreement (the “Escrow Deposit Agreement”) with an escrow agent (the “Escrow Agent”) to be selected by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, with respect to the Refunded Bonds, to be dated the date of the closing on the Refunding School Bonds. The President and Vice President of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Escrow Deposit Agreement in the name of the Board and the corporate seal (or facsimile thereof) shall be thereunto affixed, imprinted, engraved or otherwise reproduced thereon. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to attest to such signature and to the affixing of said seal to the Escrow Deposit Agreement. The Municipal Advisor is hereby authorized to act as the agent and representative of the Board for the purpose of subscribing for the purchase of United States Treasury Securities – State and Local Government Series to be held by the Escrow Agent. In the alternative, if United States Treasury Securities – State and Local Government Series are not available, the Municipal Advisor is hereby authorized to seek bids for the acquisition of United States Treasury Securities – Open Market Securities.

SECTION 7. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to select a verification agent (the “Verification Agent”), if required, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Municipal Advisor, with respect to the Refunded Bonds. The Verification Agent shall prepare the verification report required to verify the sufficiency of the escrowed monies to refund the Refunded Bonds.

SECTION 8. It is hereby delegated to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary the authority to “deem final” (as defined under Rule 15c2-12, as amended and supplemented (the “Rule”), promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and supplemented), a Preliminary Official Statement (the “Preliminary Official Statement”) and such official is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a certificate to the Underwriter evidencing the same. The preparation and distribution by the Board, in consultation with Bond Counsel, and counsel to the Underwriter, if any, of a Preliminary Official Statement for the Refunding School Bonds to be used in connection with the marketing of such Refunding School Bonds, is hereby approved and any previous actions undertaken by various representatives and officers of the Board with respect thereto are hereby ratified and confirmed. Upon the sale of the Refunding School Bonds to the Underwriter, the Preliminary Official Statement shall be so modified by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with Bond Counsel, to reflect the effect of the pricing of the Refunding School Bonds and the Purchase Contract and any other revision not inconsistent with the substance thereof deemed necessary or advisable by Bond Counsel, and said Preliminary Official Statement as so modified shall constitute the final Official Statement (the “Official Statement”). The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is authorized and directed on behalf of the Board to execute and deliver said Official Statement.

SECTION 9. The Board hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of a Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the “Certificate”) which will set forth the obligation of the Board to file budgetary, financial and operating data on an annual basis and notices of certain enumerated events deemed material in accordance with the provision of the Rule. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver this Certificate evidencing the Board’s undertaking with respect to the Rule. Notwithstanding the foregoing, failure of the Board to comply with the Certificate shall not be considered a default on the Refunding School Bonds; however, any Bondholder may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandamus or specific performance to cause the Board to comply with its obligations hereunder.

SECTION 10. The President, Vice President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary or any other appropriate officer or representative of the Board, are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents and to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out the transactions

contemplated by this resolution, the Purchase Contract, the Escrow Deposit Agreement and the Commitment, and for the authorization, sale and issuance of the Refunding School Bonds. The execution by such officials and officers of any such documents, with changes, insertions or omissions approved by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with Bond Counsel, as hereinabove provided, shall be conclusive and no further ratification or other action by the Board shall be required with respect thereto.

SECTION 11. If applicable, the Board hereby covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under Section 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, (the "Code") of the interest on the Refunding School Bonds. There is hereby delegated to the Business Administrator/Board Secretary the ability to designate the Refunding School Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3)(B)(ii) of the Code.

SECTION 12. All other resolutions adopted in connection with the Refunding School Bonds and inconsistent herewith are hereby rescinded to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 13. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**[DRAFT; subject to change]**

**EXHIBIT A**

**Payment of this obligation is secured under the provisions of the "New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act" in accordance with which an amount equal to 1% of the aggregate outstanding bonded indebtedness (but not to exceed the moneys available in the fund), of New Jersey counties, municipalities and school districts for school purposes as of September 15 of each year, is held within the State Fund for the Support of Free Public Schools as a school bond reserve pledged by law to secure payments of principal and interest due on such bonds in the event of the inability of the issuer to make payment.**

**REGISTERED  
SUM  
NUMBER R-\_\_\_**

**PRINCIPAL  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK  
IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY**

**REFUNDING SCHOOL BOND, SERIES 2022**

<u>DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUE</u>	<u>MATURITY DATE</u>	<u>RATE OF INTEREST PER ANNUM</u>	<u>CUSIP NUMBER</u>
_____, 2022	August 1, ____	____%	290096__

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY (the "Board" when referring to the governing body and the "School District" when referring to the territorial boundaries governed by the Board) hereby acknowledges itself indebted and for value received promises to pay to CEDE & CO., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), which will act as Securities Depository (the "Securities Depository"), on the MATURITY DATE specified above, the PRINCIPAL SUM, and to pay interest on such sum from the DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUE of this Bond until it matures at the RATE OF INTEREST PER ANNUM specified above on August 1, 2022 and semi-annually thereafter on the first day of February and August in each year until maturity or prior redemption. Principal of and interest on this Bond will be paid to the Securities Depository by the Board or its duly appointed paying agent and will be credited to the participants of DTC, as listed on the records of DTC, as of each January 15 and July 15 next preceding the date of such payments (the "Record Dates" for such payments).

This Bond is not transferable as to principal or interest except to an authorized nominee of DTC. DTC shall be responsible for maintaining the book-entry system for recording the interests of its participants or the transfers of the interests among its participants. The participants are responsible for maintaining records regarding the beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds on behalf of individual purchasers.

The Bonds of this issue maturing prior to August 1, 20\_\_\_\_ are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities. The Bonds of this issue maturing on or after August 1, 20\_\_\_\_ are subject to redemption at the option of the Board in whole or in part on any date on or after August 1, 20\_\_\_\_ upon notice as required herein, at one hundred percent (100%) of the principal amount to be redeemed (the "Redemption Price"), together with interest accrued to the date of redemption.

Notice of Redemption ("Notice of Redemption") shall be given by mailing at least thirty (30) days but not more than sixty (60) days before the date fixed for redemption by first class mail in a sealed envelope with postage prepaid to the registered owners of such Bonds at their

respective addresses as they last appear on the registration books kept for that purpose by the Board or a duly appointed Bond Registrar. So long as DTC (or any successor thereto) acts as Securities Depository for the Bonds, Notice of Redemption shall be sent to such Securities Depository and shall not be sent to the beneficial owners of the Bonds. Any failure of the Securities Depository to advise any of its participants or any failure of any participant to notify any beneficial owner of any Notice of Redemption shall not affect the validity of the redemption proceedings. If the Board determines to redeem a portion of the Bonds prior to maturity, such Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the Board; the Bonds to be redeemed having the same maturity shall be selected by the Securities Depository in accordance with its regulations.

If Notice of Redemption has been given as provided herein, the Bonds or the portion thereof called for redemption shall be due and payable on the date fixed for redemption at the Redemption Price, together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. Interest shall cease to accrue on the Bonds after the date fixed for redemption.

This Bond is authorized and issued pursuant to: (i) Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes, as amended and supplemented; (ii) a refunding bond ordinance enacted and adopted by the Board on February 22, 2022; and (iii) a resolution adopted by the Board on February 22, 2022 (the "Authorization Proceedings"). The full faith and credit of the School District are hereby irrevocably pledged for the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on this Bond according to its terms.

It is hereby certified and recited that all conditions, acts and things required by the Constitution or the statutes of the State of New Jersey to exist, to have happened or to have been performed precedent to or in the issuance of this Bond exist, have happened and have been performed and that the issue of Bonds of which this is one, together with all other indebtedness of the School District, is within every debt and other limit prescribed by such Constitution or statutes.

L3. ENTRANCE INTO CONTRACTS WITH SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE COMMISSION FOR THE 2022/2023 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, 2022 through June 30, 2023.



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, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

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, summer programs, athletics, field trips and other transportation.

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.

L4. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #2 TO C&M DOOR

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve Change Order GC-02 to C&M Door Controls, Inc. for a *credit* in the amount of \$11,350.00 for the replacement doors at Memorial MS/HS & Gilbert Ave. School.

L5. APPROVAL OF HVAC REPLACEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Elmwood Park Board of Education (the “Board”), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et. seq., advertised for bids for HVAC Unit Replacement at Gantner Ave. Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, the low bidder, Teo Technologies, Inc. failed to submit a proper bid bond rendering its bid non-responsive; and

WHEREAS, TM Brennan Service, Inc. submitted the second low bid; and

WHEREAS, TM Brennan Service Inc.'s bid is in compliance with the Board's bid documents and the Public School Contracts Law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,  
by the Elmwood Park Board of Education that  
TM Brennan Service Inc.'s is hereby awarded a contract in the amount of \$129,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,  
that this resolution and the contract will be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Business Administrator.

Motion of: Ms. Paretti  
Seconded by: Ms. Pena  
Consent Vote on items: L1-L5

	<b>KC</b>	<b>DD</b>	<b>GL</b>	<b>EM</b>	<b>CP</b>	<b>KP</b>	<b>DZ</b>	<b>DA</b>	<b>LG</b>
<b>AYE</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

<b>A. ADOPTION OF POLICIES AND REGULATIONS</b>
--

A1. FIRST 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 First reading of revised policies and regulations, and new policies, as follows:

P2415.05	Student Surveys, Analysis, Evaluations, Examination, Testing, or Treatment (M) (Revised)
P&R 2431.4	Prevention and Treatment of Sports-Related Concussions and Head Injuries (M) (Revised)
R 2460.30	Additional/Compensatory Special Education and Related Services (M) (Revised)
P 2622	Student Assessment (M) (Revised)
R 2622	Student Assessment (M) (New)
P 3233	Political Activities (Revised)
P 5460	High School Graduation (M) (Revised)
P & R 8465	Bias Crimes and Bias-Related Acts (M) (Revised)
P 9560	Administration of School Surveys (M) (Revised)

A2. FIRST & 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 First and Second reading of revised policies and regulations, and new policies, as follows:

P 5541	Anti-Hazing (M) (New)
--------	-----------------------

Motion of: Mrs. Aspras

Seconded by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on items: A1-A2

	KC	DD	GL	EM	CP	KP	DZ	DA	LG
<b>AYE</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

Certified to be true copies of resolutions adopted by the Elmwood Park Board of Education at its meeting held on February 22, 2022.



---

John DiPaola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary



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

**AGENDA**  
**ADDENDUM**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**February 22, 2022**

<b>BUSINESS</b>
-----------------

**BG4. APPROVAL OF MEETING CANCELLATION AND RESCHEDULING**

**BE IT RESOLVED:** that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the board of education does hereby approve to **cancel the work session and regular meetings** scheduled for March 15, 2022 and to have them **rescheduled for March 22, 2022**, to be held at the MS/HS 375 River Drive. **The work session will be at 6:00 pm in the HS/MS student cafeteria and the regular meeting will be at 7:00 pm MS/HS Media Center.** The board *will* take formal action at the regular meeting on all matters regarding Personnel, Students, General, Business and any other Board Business including the approval to submit the 2022-2023 *preliminary* budget to the County Office for approval, both meetings may include an executive session if needed.

Motion of: Mrs. Aspras

Second by: Ms. Pena

Consent Vote on item: BG4

	KC	DD	GL	EM	CP	KP	DZ	DA	LG
<b>AYE</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<b>NAY</b>									
<b>ABSENT</b>									
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

Certified to be true copies of resolutions adopted by the Elmwood Park Board of Education at its meeting held on February 22, 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John DiPaola", written in a cursive style.

---

John DiPaola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary