

**FINAL MINUTES
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
DECEMBER 19, 2023**

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Present were: Mrs. Dorin Aspras, Mr. Douglas DeMatteo, Mr. Chakib Fakhoury, Mrs. Louise Gerardi, Mrs. Elizabeth Mierzejewski, Ms. Carrie Parette, and Mr. Daniel Zoltek. Also present were, Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Jillian Torrento, Assistant Superintendent, 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 members.

At 6:30 a Motion to adjourn the Work Session was made by Mr. Fakhoury and Seconded by Mrs. Mierzejewski and unanimously approved by voice vote of the members present.

Respectfully submitted,



Anthony Iachetti
Superintendent of Schools

**FINAL MINUTES
-REGULAR MEETING-
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
DECEMBER 19, 2023**

The Regular Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was held on Tuesday, December 19, 2023 and began at 6:34 p.m. in the High School/Middle School Media Center.

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Dr. Iachetti introduced Mrs. Fasouletos, Middle School principal, to give a presentation on the district activities.

Mrs. Fasouletos discussed the following:

Gantner Avenue School

Here is some positive news about the recent assembly programs we have implemented at Gantner Avenue School. These programs aim to enrich the learning experience for our students while instilling important values and fostering a sense of responsibility. Thank you to the board of education and central office for the budget to provide these programs to our k-5 students.

The NED Show, centered around the theme of growth mindset and giving one's best effort, encouraged our students to embrace challenges and approach learning with a positive attitude. This assembly has undoubtedly inspired a culture of resilience and perseverance among our students.

The Passaic Valley Sewerage Assembly took a practical and impactful approach by educating students on how to keep our environment clean and the consequences of littering and dumping. This not only aligns with our commitment to environmental awareness but also empowers our students to make a positive impact on their surroundings.

Gilbert Avenue School

Hosted GHSA Holiday Sale – Gilbert Students had the opportunity to shop for all their holiday gifts during this annual sale. We want to thank all the parents/guardians who came out to shop with their students. Proceeds go to support the GHSA and Gilbert Ave School.

December Holiday Grams - Students had the opportunity to send festive Holiday Grams to their friends to get them in the holiday spirit.

16th Avenue School

Sixteenth Avenue is having an exciting month. On December 6th, Ms. Katz, our music teacher, put on a great winter concert with our K-2 students in the high school auditorium. Our students did a beautiful job singing their winter songs. We had an outstanding turnout with staff, parents and families.

This week students will participate in the LeadU assembly that focuses on respect, mindfulness, resilience, teambuilding and communication.

On Friday, December 22nd, the High School Band and Choir will be coming to Sixteenth Avenue to holiday carol throughout the school, the Elmwood Park Police Department are coming to visit each classroom with Santa and his elves and lastly, our wonderful PTO is providing pizza to each student and staff member for the holidays.

Memorial Middle School

Through our many club offerings, middle school students have been participating in service opportunities during this holiday season. The Polish Club created Thanksgiving Food Drive boxes that assisted the EPEA in its collection for the Elmwood Park Resident's Assistance Program. The NJHS and Volunteer club students assisted in creating gift bags of toys and treats for children in local hospitals. The 8th grade class participated in a baby supply drive where they collected items for the Human Needs Food Pantry located in Montclair, NJ.

Memorial High School

- The Athletic Department had a successful and well attending Fall Sports Awards Dinner on December 4th.
- Last Friday students attended the Winter Pep Rally. Students enjoyed the festivities which included a brief game between some of the coaches and athletes.
- Tonight is the MS/HS Winter Choir Concert
- Wednesday night is the MS/HS Winter Band Concert

On behalf of our schools and district administration, we wish you all a wonderful holiday season!

Dr. Iachetti discussed the following:

- Thanked the EPEA for all their hard work to the students of Elmwood park and their collaboration within the community.
- Thanked the EPAA for all their hard work and dedication to the students of Elmwood Park.
- This Friday the PTA will handout pizza to the students before the holiday break

At 6:39 p.m. Mrs. Gerardi opened the meeting for public comments on agenda items only. No one from the public spoke so votes were taken on the agenda items.

At 6:42 p.m. Mrs. Gerardi opened the meeting to the public. No one from the public spoke so the meeting was opened for board comments.

Mr. Fakhoury, Mrs. Mierzejewski and Mr. Zoltek wished everyone Happy Holidays and Happy New Year.

Mr. DeMatteo

- Happy to hear about all the activities taking place in the schools
- Wished everyone a great year and Happy Holidays

Ms. Paretti and Mrs. Aspras wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Mrs. Gerardi

- Thanked everyone for attending the meeting
- Congratulated the girls wrestling
- Thanked the board for all their hard work. Pleasure to work with everyone.
- January 2, 2024 is the Reorganization Meeting
- If the public has questions, please contact the board members. Do not use social media
- Happy Holidays and Happy New Year

At 6:45 p.m. a Motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Aspras and Seconded by Mrs. Mierzejewski 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 December 19, 2023, 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 "Anthony Iachetti". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A".

Anthony Iachetti
Superintendent of Schools



Elmwood Park Board of Education
ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY
AGENDA

WORK MEETING
December 19, 2023

A WORK MEETING OF THE ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION IS BEING HELD THIS EVENING AT **6:00 P.M. IN THE MS/HS 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. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS – OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

E. 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.



**Elmwood Park Board of Education
ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
December 19, 2023**

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION IS BEING HELD THIS EVENING AT **6:30 P.M.** IN THE MEDIA CENTER AT MEMORIAL MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL, 375 RIVER DRIVE, ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY.

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

B. PRESENTATIONS:

- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
 - Student Congress
 - EPAA

C. COMMITTEE UPDATES

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

E. OPEN SESSION: REVIEW OF REGULAR AGENDA

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

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS – GENERAL

G. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS – OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

H. CLOSED SESSION – AS MAY BE REQUIRED

I. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. 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 November, 2023.

GILBERT AVENUE SCHOOL
NAME GRADE

STUDENT

Jisha Sakhrelia	Pre-K
Luciano Gallo	Pre-K
Karlene Nuesi	K
Alexander Perez	K
Anthony Pardo	K
Elias Gregor Cuyos	1
Ariana Homere	1
Klaudia Giandomenico	1
Emilija Milanovic	1
Jatniel Molino	2
Gemma Suazo Cabrera	2
Liam Steinfeld	2
Leo Maroski	3
Natalia Cespeds	3
Rileigh Santillan	3
Stella Gala	4
Alisha Reynoso	4
Layana Alnajjar	4
Kaan Evliya	4
Owen Esquivel	5
Elias Shuaob	5

Gianna Banuelos	5
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GANTNER AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Aisha Barrie	K
Empress Viray	K
Jaxon Diaz	K
Olivia Opolot	1
Eden Dervishi	1
Ashton Delisser	1
Alessia Duli	1
Maddox Anderson	1
Ava Ordonez	2
Julia Jovanoska	2
Nihal Pay	2
Romik Ray	3
Aria Barbaria	3
Dareen Said	3
Stejsi Draci	4
Aayan Patel	4
Donatella Quintero Pedroso	5
Julian Burdiez	5

SIXTEENTH AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Domenic Tilli	Pre-K
Mira Desai	Pre-K
Ali Lendhey	Pre-K
Amaryllis Torres	Pre-K
Peter Camurovski	K
Zeki Aldana	K
Krishna Desai	K
Hunter Camurovski	1
Roshelle Torres	1
Omar Yameen	1
Arnold Scoville	1
Teo Altamirano	2
Sarah Veloz	2
Roselyn Fermin	2
Allyson Castillo Rodriguez	3
Salenarose Sebastian	3
Alexa Bautista	3
Liam Mitchell	4
Mason Umpierre	4
Aakif Qureshi	4
Mohamed Mohamed	5
Lana Becaj	5
Fatima Nadeem	5
Nicole Data	5

MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Anthony Woolis	6
Alexander Astudillo	7
Ayden Vargas	8

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Dmytro Shylo	9
Brianna Zhaku	10
Angelo Mio	11
Harsh Patel	12

1. PERSONNEL

A. EMPLOYMENT

- 1) Dr. 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 2023/2024 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

PA-1	Name	Position	UPC#	Salary	Location	Effective Date
A.	Oscar Sabillon	Maintenance	11-000-261-100-15-000-00	Step 10 \$64,212	District	Upon Completion of Background Check

B. RESIGNATION

- 1) Dr. 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 2023/2024 school year:

PB-1	Name	Position	UPC#	Location	Effective Date
A.	Glenny Nieves-Despinos	Spanish Teacher	TCH.11.FORL. MS.02 11-130-100-101-11-004-00	Memorial Middle School	2/9/2024

C. RETIREMENT

N/A

D. COACHES /STIPEND

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

PD-1	Name	Position	Salary	UPC #	Location	Effective Date
A.	Alyssa Barrios	Assistant Boys Volleyball Coach	Step 2 \$5,664	N/A	Memorial High School	2023-2024 Season
B.	Matthew Borchers	HS Math Additional Period	\$10,441.88 ($\frac{1}{8}$ of salary)	N/A	Memorial High School	12/11/23
C.	Scott Allen	HS History	\$7,663.63	N/A	Memorial High School	12/4/23
D.	Debra Cardone	Athletic Cashier	\$2,100	N/A	Memorial High School	2023-2024 School Year

E. APPOINTMENT OF AIDES

1) Dr. 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 2023/2024 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check.

PE-1	Name	Position	UPC #	Salary	Location	Effective Date
A.	Armida Sinamati	Aide	AIDE.02.1TO1. NA.07 11-000-217- 100-02-909-00	\$17.50/hr	Gantner Avenue School	Upon completion of background check

NOTE: This appointment *cannot* exceed 29 hours per week and does 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

- 1) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *appointment* of the following substitutes for the 2023/2024 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

Robert Dutzar
Madison McLoughlin
Marissa McLoughlin
Richard McNeil

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.

G. TRANSFER

N/A

H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

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

PH -1	Name	Current Step As of 9/1/23	Proposed Step	Location	Effective Date
A.	Edwin V. Whitfield	BA Step 12 \$70,453	BA+15 Step 12 \$72,453	Sixteenth Avenue School	1/1/24
B.	Delores Gale	BA Step 10 \$64,178	MA Step 10 \$71,178	Memorial High School	1/1/24
C.	Maria Kittaneh	BA Step 16 \$90,528	BA+15 Step 16 \$91,028	Gantner Avenue School	1/1/24

I. VOLUNTEER

N/A

J. FMLA/MATERNITY LEAVE/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1) Dr. 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.	Arminda Ngelina	Sixteenth Avenue School	One to One Aide	12/22/23 <i>(Unpaid)</i>	1/19/24
B.	Nicole DiTrani	Memorial Middle School	ELA Teacher	2/12/24 <i>(Unpaid)</i>	4/6/23
C.	Daniel DiStasio	Memorial High School	Science Teacher	2/5/24 <i>(Unpaid)</i>	2/16/24
D.	Jermaine Bing	Memorial High School	Custodian	1/3/24	3/27/24
E.	Stephanie Kaliades	Sixteenth Avenue School	Occupational Therapist	4/17/24 <i>(personal day)</i> 4/18/24 - 4/23/24 <i>(unpaid)</i>	4/23/24
F.	Coleen Gabel	Memorial High School	Guidance Counselor	1/8/24 <i>(Unpaid,</i> revised from 10/17/23 agenda)	1/15/24
G.	Alexander Toirac	Memorial High School	Custodian	11/21/23 <i>(Unpaid)</i> Revised from 11/28/23 agenda	12/1/23
H.	Gi Shin	District	Supervisor of Instruction	4/8/24 <i>(Unpaid)</i>	4/26/24

K. WORKSHOP/TRAINING

1) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following request for the 2023/2024 school year, for the following employees to attend workshops:

PK-1	Name	Position	Date	Sub Required	Cost	Activity	Location
A.	Yanel Saleh	Director of IT	1/25/24 - 1/27/24	No	\$540.00 funded through Title IIA	Techspo '24 Presenting: <i>Streamlining Access for Student Success: A Journey in SSO Implementation.</i>	Atlantic City, NJ
B.	Carmelina Buffa	Educational Technology	1/25/24 - 1/27/24	No	\$540.00 funded through Title IIA	Techspo '24 Presenting: <i>Streamlining Access for Student Success: A Journey in SSO Implementation.</i>	Atlantic City, NJ
C.	Kelly Terranova	Supervisor of Guidance	2/07/24	No	No Charge	Realtime User Experience 2024	Parsippany NJ
D.	Stephanie Pontidis	Guidance	1/23/24 (½ day)	No	No Charge	The Impact of Trauma	Virtual
E.	Miranda McLoughlin	CST	1/22/24 (½ day)	No	\$60.00 funded through Title IIA Grant	School Law & Students Rights: What NJ Social Workers Should Know	Virtual
F.	Corinne DiMartino	Principal High School	1/22/24	No	No Charge	Building the Master Schedule for Middle & High Schools	Monroe Township NJ

G.	Kelly Terranova	Supervisor Guidance	1/22/24	No	No Charge	Building the Master Schedule for Middle & High Schools	Monroe Township NJ
H.	Melanie Katz	Elementary Music	2/22/24	Yes	\$195.00 funded through Title IIA Grant	2024 NJMEA Conference	Atlantic City, NJ
I.	Kristen Joy Stanczak	ELA Teacher Middle School	1/11/24 (½ day)	Yes	\$179.00 funded through Title IIA Grant	Active Learning: 40 Teaching Methods to Engage Students Grades 6-12	Virtual
J.	Aneta Sutkowska-Gomez	ELA/WL Resource Teacher Middle School	2/14/24 (½ day)	Yes	\$75.00 funded through Title IIA Grant	AI for the Educator	Paramus NJ
K.	Kurt Mathews	Supervisor of Instruction	1/18/24 (½ day)	No	\$100.00 funded through Title IIA Grant	Let's Change the Conversations about Reading & Writing with our MS/HS Students	Virtual
L.	Gi Shin	Supervisor of Instruction	1/24/24 (½ day)	No	\$75.00 funded through Title IIA	Leading through the Cycle of Teaching & Learning	Virtual
M.	Aneta Sutkowska-Gomez	ELA/WL Resource Teacher Middle School	4/11/24 (½ day)	Yes	\$75.00 funded through Title IIA	AI for Students	Paramus NJ

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: Mr. Fakhoury

Seconded By: Mrs. Mierzejewski

Consent Vote on items: PA1-PK1

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

2. STUDENTS

- 1) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve ***Bergen County Special Services/Educational Enterprises Division*** to provide TOD Services for student AM/107043 for the 2023/2024 school year.

- 2) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following students as ***incoming tuition student(s)*** for the 2023/2024 school year as indicated:

S-2	SID	EPPS School Name / Sending District	Dates	Total Incoming Tuition
A.	112580	Elmwood Park Memorial Middle School / Paterson Public Schools	12/1/23 - 6/18/24	Program: \$12,325.00/year & \$220.50/day transportation cost (prorated)

B.	112581	Gilbert Avenue School / Paterson Public Schools	12/1/23 - 6/18/24	Program: \$13,001.00/year & \$220.50/day transportation cost (prorated)
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Motion of: Mrs. Aspras

Seconded By: Mr. Fakhoury

Consent Vote on Item: S1-S2

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

3. GENERAL

G1. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the **activity/events/fundraisers/etc.** request for the 2023/2024 school year as listed below:

G-1	School Activity	Loc./ Sch.	Date/Time	Participants	Adm./Teach. Coach/Advis.
A.	FAFSA Night The High School Guidance Department will host a FAFSA night for all interested Elmwood Park Students and parents.	High School Media Center	1/25/24 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm	All Elmwood Park interested Parents and Students	Ms. DiMartino
B.	Ski Club Trip	American Dream Mall	1/9/24 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm	High School Ski Club Members	Ms. DiMartino

C.	Winter Concert Choral Program All K-2nd students are invited to participate in the choral concert to share what they have learned in their music class.	Gantner Avenue Gym	1/17/24 6:30 pm to 7:15 pm	Gantner Avenue School Students	Ms. Jackter
D.	Winter Concert Instrumental Grades 4th and 5th Gantner, Gilbert and Sixteenth Avenue Students	High School Auditorium	1/18/24 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm	Elementary School Students	Ms. Jackter Ms Sharples Mr. Alberta
E.	Cross Jibbitz Sale Gantner Avenue School students and staff can buy jibbitz from PTO during the sale.	Gantner Avenue School	TBD	Gantner Avenue Students and Staff	Ms. Jackter
F.	The Gilbert Avenue HSA would like to hold a social/dance open to all 5th grade students and their parents.	Gilbert Avenue Gym	1/19/24 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm	Gilbert Avenue 5th Grade Students and their Parents	Mr. Alberta
G.	Wendy's Night Families can enjoy a meal at Wendy's and 15% of sales will go to the 5th Grade Committee	Wendy's Rt. 46 Elmwood Park	1/10/24 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm	District Students and Families	Ms. Sharples
H.	David's Cookies Families can buy David's Cookies at \$20.00 a box & 40% of profits go to the 5th Grade Committee	16th Avenue School	2/19/24 to 3/4/24	Sixteenth Avenue All Students	Ms. Sharples
I.	Valentine's Chocolate Students can buy Valentine's chocolate candy grams at \$1.50 each and support the 5th Grade Committee	16th Avenue School	1/5/24 to 1/23/24	Sixteenth Avenue All Students	Ms. Sharples
J.	Urban Air Spirit Night Students can enjoy playing at \$27.99 a ticket and 20% of profits go to the 5th Grade Committee	Urban Air South Hackensack	2/8/24 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm	All Sixteenth Avenue Students	Ms. Sharples
K.	Double Good Popcorn Families can buy popcorn	Students Homes	1/19/24 to 1/22/24	All Sixteenth Avenue Students	Ms. Sharples

	online@doublegood.com and 50% of the profits go to the 5th Grade Committee				
L.	Enamel Pin Sale All Students can buy various enamel pins ranging from \$2.00 to \$5.00. Profits go to the 5th grade Student Council	Sixteenth Avenue During Students Recess	1/18/24 11:00 am to 1:00 pm	All Sixteenth Avenue Students	Ms. Sharples
M.	A Valen-Gram fundraiser for the High School Musical Production. They will be \$2.00 each gram	High School	2/5/24 to 2/12/24	All Interested High School Students	Ms. DiMartino
N.	Chocolate covered oreo cookie fundraiser for the High School Musical Production. They will be \$2.00 for one, \$8.00 for four and \$12.00 for six	High School	2/20/24 to 3/13/24	All Interested High School Students	Ms. DiMartino
O.	Advanced ticket sales for the High School Production, "Guys and Dolls" will run from January 22, 2024 through February 23, 2024. Advanced tickets will be priced at \$10.00 for adults and \$8.00 for children/students and senior citizens	High School	1/22/24 to 2/23/24	All Interested Students/Teachers and Families	Ms. DiMartino
P.	5th Grade Leadership Opportunity The purpose of the 5th grade student government is to provide young students with the opportunity to develop leadership skills, teamwork, and sense of responsibility	Gantner Avenue School	Meeting and elections throughout the year	Gantner Avenue 5th Grade Students	Ms. Jackter

G2. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following 2023/2024 school year **Kindergarten Registration Dates:**

February 5-9, 2024 **March 4, 2024** **April 8, 2024**
April 9, 2024 (5pm-8pm) **May 13, 2024** **June 3, 2024**

G3. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the **Donations(s)** as submitted, for the 2023/2024 school year.

G-3	Donation	Donator(s)	Location
A.	\$200	Bergen County Soccer Officials Association, Inc.	Use of Facilities

Motion of: Mrs. Mierzejewski

Second by: Mrs. Aspras

Consent Vote on item: G1-G3

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

4. BUSINESS

M. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

Regular Meeting
Closed Session

November 28, 2023
November 28, 2023

Motion of: Mrs. Mierzejeski
Seconded by: Mr. Fakhoury
Consent Vote on items: M1

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

F. FINANCIAL

F1. FINANCIAL REPORTS

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education accepts the November 2023, 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 November 2023, 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 November 2023, 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 36835 through 36965 totaling \$1,299,218.78 and wire transfers totaling \$479,927.51 from Spencer Savings Bank Board of Education General Account, check numbers 1624 through 1628 totaling \$367,625.24 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 November 30, 2023 in the total amount of \$1,219,520.73.

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 December 15, 2023 in the total amount of \$1,463,478.04.

F5. ALLOCATION OF FUNDING SOURCE 2023/2024 ARP/ESSER III GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that as outlined in the grant and upon the recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the purchase of the below listed *assembly programs* funded through the ARP/ESSER III Grant.
Account #20-487-200-500-08-000-00

Young Audiences Arts for Learning (\$3491.00)
Gantner Avenue School 6/10/24 2 shows (am)
Gilbert Avenue School 6/11/24 2 shows (am)
Sixteenth Avenue School 6/11/24 2 shows (pm)

Teen Truth (\$3,200.00)
Memorial Middle School 1/26/2024

F6. ALLOCATION OF FUNDING SOURCE 2023/2024 ARP/ESSER III GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that as outlined in the grant and upon the recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the purchase of parent program on January 25, 2024 from Teen Truth (\$2550.00). To be funded through the ARP/ESSER III Grant
Account #20-488-200-300-08-000-00

F7. FUNDING SOURCE ARP ESSER III GRANT (revised from 6/27/23 agenda)

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the instructional purchase for elementary media supplies from Really Good Stuff (\$512.82) to be funded through the ARP ESSER III Grant
Account #20-487-100-610-08-000-00

Motion of: Mrs. Aspras
Seconded by: Mr. Fakhoury
Consent Vote on items: F1-F7

	KC	DD	CF	EM	CP	KP	DZ	DA	LG
AYE		X	X	X	X		X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT	X					X			
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED		F2 Check #24-0722							

B. BUSINESS

BG1. SCHOOL BUS EMERGENCY EVACUATION DRILL - MS/HS SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves the Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report of December 6, 2023 Memorial Middle/High School be reflected in official board minutes of this meeting.

BG2. 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 December 7, 2023 16th Avenue School be reflected in official board minutes of this meeting.

BG3. 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 December 13, 2023

Gilbert Avenue School be reflected in official board minutes of this meeting.

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 December 14, 2023 Gantner Avenue School be reflected in official board minutes of this meeting.

Motion of: Mrs. Aspras

Seconded by: Mr. Fakhoury

Consent Vote on items: BG1-BG4

	KC	DD	CF	EM	CP	KP	DZ	DA	LG
AYE		X	X	X	X		X	X	X
NAY									
ABSENT	X					X			
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 cases:
#2023-2024-050-02

#2023-2024-060-03
 #2023-2024-050-03
 #2023-2024-080-01

Motion of: Mrs. Aspras
 Seconded by: Mrs. Mierzejewski
 Consent Vote on items: H1

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

L. LEGAL

L1. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$3,840.46, and appropriate the funds for professional services to CJ Vanderbeck, for the Gilbert Avenue Elementary School pump replacement, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-03.

L2. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$1,295.00, and appropriate the funds for professional services to CJ Vanderbeck, for the Gantner Avenue Elementary School pipe repair, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-02.

L3. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$12,100.00, and appropriate the funds for professional services to

Generations Services, for the Memorial Middle School lights, account #11-000-261-420-13-000-00.

L4. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$3,730.00, and appropriate the funds for professional services to JMTK, for the Memorial High School sump pump repair, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-0.

L5. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$5,039.41, and appropriate the funds for professional services to In-Line, for the Memorial High School motor assembly replacement, account 11-000-261-420-15-000-01.

L6. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$1,648.20, and appropriate the funds for professional services to Triumvirale, for the 16th Avenue Elementary School elevator extra, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-04.

L7. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$3,738.08, and appropriate the funds for professional services to CJ Vanderbeck, for the 16th Avenue Elementary pump replacement, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-04.

Motion of: Mrs. Mierzejewski

Seconded by: Mr. Fakhoury

Consent Vote on items: L1-L7

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

Certified to be true copies of resolutions adopted by the Elmwood Park Board of Education at its meeting held on December 19, 2023.



Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools