



Elmwood Park Board of Education
ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY
AGENDA
RESCHEDULED
WORK MEETING
March 16, 2023

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 . 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.

C. OPEN SESSION REVIEW OF REGULAR AGENDA

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

D. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS – OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

F. CLOSED SESSION

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G. ADJOURNMENT



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

March 16, 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 Report
 - Athletic Awards

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 ***Winter 2022/2023 All League Honors.***

Basketball Girls

Senior, Arlenny Medina - 1st Team All League
Junior, Tiara Duran - 1st Team All League
Senior, Julia Novelle - 2nd Team All League
Sophomore Fonquaisa Slade - 2nd Team All League
Junior, Marlene Abreu, Honorable Mention All League

Basketball Boys

Senior, Essam Assaf - 1st Team All League
Senior, Dewayne Carter - 1st Team All League
Senior, David Forzani - 1st Team All League
Senior, Ivan Corcino Mejia - 2nd Team All League
Senior, Alex Picinich - 2nd Team All League
Junior, Elian Tavaréz - Honorable Mention All League

Wrestling

Senior, Devin Longaker - 1st Team All League
Junior, David Rojas - 1st Team All League
Sophomore, Gabriel Alcocer - 1st Team All League
Freshman, Charles Willoe - 2nd Team All League
Junior, Erick Valenciano - 2nd Team All League
Senior, Stalin Guzman - Honorable Mention All League

Indoor Track and Field

Senior, Cali Terranova - 1st Team All League - 55 HH
Senior, Cali Terranova - 2nd Team All League - Long Jump

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 February, 2023.

GILBERT AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Siar Syzo	Pre-K
Klaudia Giandomenico	K
Arianna Luis-Merino	K
Zoe Dilone	K
Fabianne Luis-Merino	1
Layla Kovacs	1
Pranika Lodhi	1
Fabiana Escobar	2
Jugen Pengu	2
Essa Danish	2
Dylan Molina	3
Natalie Giandomenico	3
Anna Parisi	3
Jaeden Caceres	4
Elias Shuaib	4
Marcelina Korszen	4
Luciana Aponte-Romero	5
Rashel Frias-Batista	5
Artem Petrenko	5

GANTNER AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Karina Chmielowski	K
Vian Parikh	K
Fabian Francisco	1
Arianna Sanchez	1
Dylan Colon	1
Arlyn Colon	1
Liyamarie Pagan	1
Ivan Villarreta Hurtado	2
Emily Diaz	2
Niva Patel	2
Morgan Barreto	3
Sophia Smith	3
Raquel Sanchez	3
Noella Jerman	4
Jachen Nurse	4
Bree'lyn Barrett	5
Szymon Kwasnik	5
Mia Monroe Barreto	5

SIXTEENTH AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

Kenda Ahmed	Pre-K
Prashant Malla	Pre-K
Emmanuel Luciano Rivera	Pre-K
Abigail Cypher	Pre-K
Alvaro Jerez Suarez	Pre-K
Sebastian Dovale	Pre-K
Noelle Sanchez	K
Menaal Khan	K
Valentino Salas	K
JohnPaul Buscio	1
Sarah Veloz	1
Brielle Pogosian	1
Fatima Elreda	2
Taiem Ahmed	2
Ava Veloz	2
Mathew Banka	3
Elizabeth Hnatyshyn	3
Arianna Liranzo Lithgow	3
Ariella Rafailov	4
Ritag Mohamed	4
Carson James	4

Zaynab Elreda	4
Ella Lupinski	5
Dareen Hemaïd	5
Jalen Gaudet	

MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Kacper Doroszkiewicz	6
Angelina Torres	7
Camila Figueroa-Henriquez	8

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Da'Mya Moore	9
Ana Xhelo	10
Andrew Houghton	11
Jahnvi 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 2022/2023 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

PA-1	Name	Position	UPC#	Salary	Location	Effective Date
A.	Maria Senatore	Guidance Secretary	SEC.01.GUID. NA.01 11-000-218-105- 01-000-00	Step 2 \$40,825 (prorated)	Memorial High/ Middle School School	Upon Completion of Background Check
B.	Nicole Lamonte	Secretary	SEC.03.PRIN. NA.01 11-000-240-105- 03-000-00	Step 1 \$30,225 (prorated)	Gilbert Avenue School	4/17/23

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 2022/2023 school year:

PB-1	Name	Position	UPC#	Location	Effective Date
A.	Samantha Apgar	ASD Teacher	TCH.04.SPEC.PD.02 11-216-100-101- 04-000-00	Sixteenth Avenue School	5/2/23 (or sooner, if replacement is found)
B.	Rebecca Belo	Elementary Teacher	TCH.02.ELEML.EL.06 11-230-100-101- 02-000-00-	Gantner Avenue School	5/12/23

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 for the 2022/2023 school year, as listed in the categories below:

PD-1	Name	Position	UPC#	Salary	Location	Effective Date
A.	Miranda McLoughlin	A.M. Hall Monitor	11-401-100-100 -11-070-00	Step 1 \$2,315 (prorated)	Memorial Middle School	3/17/23
B.	Alexandra Vain	Co-Advisor H.S. GSA Club	11-401-100-100 -01-001-00	Step 1 \$482 (prorated)	Memorial High School	1/16/23 <i>(replacement due to resignation)</i>
C.	Angela Buitrago	Guidance Secretary	11-000-218-105- 01-000-00	\$1500/ mo.	Memorial High/Middle School	3/1/23

2) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education, confirm/approve the extracurricular activity of **Curriculum Writing and Revisions** as NJDOE mandates for the 2023-2024 school year, as listed in the categories below. Compensation as per EPEA Contract of \$60.00/hr.

PD-2	Employee	Modifications/Curriculum	Hours
A.	Mr. P. Bloete	Revision of <i>HS Creative Writing in the 21st Century</i>	4
B.	Ms. T. Clark	Revision of <i>Reading K and 2</i>	10
C.	Ms. M. Hansen	Revision of <i>Reading 1</i>	5
D.	Ms. A. Kelly	Revision of <i>Writing 3</i>	5
E.	Ms. R. Langford	Revision of <i>Writing 5</i>	5
F.	Ms. M. Lemanski	Revision of <i>Writing 2</i>	5
G.	Ms. B. Lorenc-Lach	Revision of <i>Writing K</i>	5
H.	Ms. C. Lorfink	Revision of <i>ELA 7 and 7 Honors; Writing Lab</i>	12

		<i>7 and 7 Honors</i>	
I.	Ms. A. Maas	Revision of <i>MS Computer Science: Course I, II, and III</i>	15
J.	Ms. M. Minadeo	Revision of <i>ELA 8 and 8 Honors; Writing Lab 8 and 8 Honors</i>	12
K.	Mr. A. Nuiver	Revision of <i>ELA 6 and 6 Honors; Writing Lab 6 and 6 Honors</i>	12
L.	Ms. A. Sabatini	Revision of <i>Reading 3, 4, and 5</i>	15
M.	Ms. K. Vandermast	Revision of <i>Writing 1</i>	5
N.	Ms. J. Walmach	Revision of <i>Writing 4</i>	5
O.	Ms. N. Zanetakos	Revision of <i>Media Arts, 6, 7, and 8; HS Introduction to Multimedia</i>	19

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 2022/2023 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

PE-1	Name	Position	UPC #	Salary	Location	Effective Date
A.	Noa Vitenson	One to One Aide	AIDE.04.1TO1.NA.25 11-000-217-100-04-909-00	\$17.50 (Hour)	Sixteenth Avenue School	Upon Completion of Background Check

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 2022/2023 school year, pending the results of a criminal background check:

Hayfaa Alkurdi

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

N/A

H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

N/A

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.	Jaime Dopozo	Gantner Avenue School	Physical Education Teacher	3/15/23 <i>(Unpaid)</i>	3/17/23
B.	Jessica Galarza	Sixteenth Avenue School	Elementary School Teacher	4/17/23 <i>(sick 4/17 through 6/12)</i> <i>(unpaid 6/13 through 6/21)</i>	12/12/23
C.	Karen Rubinstein	Memorial High School	ESL Teacher	3/15/23 <i>(Unpaid)</i> <i>Revised from 2/28/22 Agenda)</i>	3/22/23
D.	Jessica Grauso	Memorial High School	Physical Education Teacher	3/23/23 <i>(Unpaid)</i> <i>Revised from 2/28/22 Agenda)</i>	6/21/23
E.	Diane Modelfino	Gilbert Avenue School	One to One Aide	2/23/23 Through 3/28/23 <i>(Unpaid, revised from January 24, 2023 Agenda)</i>	3/28/23

K. WORKSHOP/TRAINING

1) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following request for the 2022-2023 school year, for the following employees to attend workshops:

PK-1	Name	Position	Date	Sub Required	Cost	Activity	Location
A.	Jillian Torrento	Assistant Superintendent	4/21/2023	No	\$50.00 to be funded through Title IIA	Bergen Women in Educational Leadership - “Do What Matters Most: Educator Series”	Hackensack NJ
B.	Cheryl Proto	Supervisor of Human Resources	5/17/2023	No	No Charge	Personnel Processing Systems 3000	Eatontown NJ
C.	Megan Kearns	Assistant HR Coordinator	5/17/2023	No	No Charge	Personnel Processing Systems 3000	Eatontown NJ
D.	Kurt Mathews	Supervisor of Instruction	3/24/2023	No	No Charge	NJPSA Legislative Conference & Membership Meeting	Monroe Township NJ
E.	Deanna Palmiere	Counselor Sixteenth Avenue	5/24/2023	No	\$249.00 funded through Title IIA Grant	2023 Anti-Bullying & School Safety Virtual Conference	Virtual
F.	Cayla Casey	Supervisor of Instruction	3/28/2023	No	\$249.00 funded through Title IIA Grant (revised from 1/24/23 agenda)	Women’s Leadership Conference 2023	Somerset NJ
G.	Monica Brown	Director of Curriculum, Instruction &	3/28/2023	No	\$249.00 funded through Title	Women’s Leadership Conference 2023	Somerset NJ

		Evaluation			IIA Grant		
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L. STUDENT TEACHING OBSERVATION/PRACTICUM/INTERNSHIP

N/A

M. PARAPROFESSIONALS

N/A

N. EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

N/A

O. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

1) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the following Job Description

- a. Director of Special Programs

P. GENERAL

N/A

Motion of:

Seconded By:

Consent Vote on items: PA1-PO1

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

2. STUDENTS

1) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *out of district placement(s)* as regulated by N.J.A.C. 6A:14 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-18, Private/Public Schools for Students with Disabilities for the 2022/2023 school year as indicated:

S1-	SID	School Name	Dates	Total Tuition
A.	109707	HoHoKus School of Trading	09/05/23-06/30/24	\$9,900.00
B.	113186	Norman A. Bleshman Regional Day School	3/20/23 - 6/30/24	\$76,860.00 (prorated)

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

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 2022/2023 school year as indicated:

S-2	SID	EPPS School Name / Sending District	Dates	Total Incoming Tuition
A.	112601	Elmwood Park Memorial High School (10th Grade) / Fairlawn Public Schools	12/7/22 - 6/21/23	\$12,000.00/year (prorated)

Motion of:

Seconded By:

Consent Vote on Items: S1-S2

	KC	DD	CF	EM	CP	KP	DZ	DA	LG
AYE									
NAY									
ABSENT									
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 2022/2023 school year as listed below:

G1.	School Activity	Loc./ Sch.	Date/Time	Participants	Adm./Teach. Coach/Advis.
A.	Gifted and Talented Elementary School Students will go to the High School Media Center to participate in STEAM Activities	High School Media Center	6/6/23 9:30am to 2:30pm	Elementary Gifted and Talented Grade Students 3rd-5th and High School 9th-12th	Ms. Alfonso Ms. Longaker
B.	Gilbert Avenue Students will participate in New York Boulders reading challenge	Gilbert Avenue School	3/27/23 to 4/16/23	Gilbert Avenue K-5th Grade Students	Ms. Fasouletos
C.	Grand Falloons Professor W's Earth Science Circus: Ways of the Water	Gilbert Avenue Gym	3/31/23 1:30pm to 2:30pm	Gilbert Avenue K-5th Grade Students	Ms. Fasouletos
D.	Field Trip High Ropes course and Zipline to promote teamwork among the senior class with project adventure based learning.	Trescape Aerial Adventure Park, Vernon Twp., NJ	5/22/23 8:30am to 2:30pm	High School 12th Grade Students	Dr. Warner
E.	Spring Concert	Gantner Avenue	5/25/23	Gantner Avenue 3rd Grade Musica Classes	Ms. Jackter
F.	Pre-K Graduation Students in all Pre-K classes will participate in a graduation ceremony in their respective classrooms	Sixteenth Avenue	6/9/23	Sixteenth Avenue Grade Pre-K Students	Ms. Sharples
G.	Moving Up Ceremony Students in all Kindergarten Classes will participate in a graduation ceremony	Sixteenth Avenue Blacktop	6/13/23	Sixteenth Avenue Grade K Students	Ms. Sharples

H.	Grade 5 Moving Up Ceremony	Sixteenth Avenue Blacktop	6/14/23	Sixteenth Avenue Grade 5 Students	Ms. Sharples
I.	Awards Ceremonies for at thru 4th Grade Students	Sixteenth Avenue All Purpose Room	6/15/23	Sixteenth Avenue Grade 1st thru 4th Grade Students	Ms. Sharples
J.	Spring Concert	High School Auditorium	5/24/23	Sixteenth Avenue 3rd thru 5th Grade Music Students	Ms. Sharples
K.	PTO Paint and Sip Spring Break Fun Students can paint and get creative by purchasing a paint kit that includes a canvas, paint, brushes and water bottle	Sixteenth Avenue School	3/17/23 to 3/29/23	Sixteenth Avenue interested Students	Ms. Sharples
L.	Grade 1 Field Trip NJ Sea Life Aquarium Students will learn about exotic sea creatures and discover the world underneath the sea	East Rutherford	4/21/23	Sixteenth Avenue 1st Grade Students	Ms. Sharples
M.	STEM activities and learn about science ecosystems.	East Rutherford	4/20/23	Sixteenth Avenue 3rd Grade Students	Ms. Sharples
N.	3rd Grade Field Trip Morris Museum Students will be exposed to a variety of hand on activities related to Science, Social Studies, Math and ELA	Morristown, NJ	6/7/23	Gilbert Avenue 3rd Grade Students	Ms. Fasouletos
O.	Denim and Diamonds at the AMC Theater Gilbert Avenue Boys will invite an (adult) lady of their choice to an afternoon movie date.	Garden State Plaza Mall	TBD	Gilbert Avenue Boy Students	Ms. Fasouletos

P.	Easter Pie Sale	Gantner Avenue School	TBD	Gantner Avenue/Sixteenth Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter Ms. Sharples
Q.	Mother's Day Basket Giveaway. The 5th Grade Committee will sell tickets to win a basket of beauty and or/bath products	Gantner Avenue School	TBD	Ganter Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
R.	Mom's Night Out 5th Grade Committee will host an event for the mothers/women and charge a fee to raise money for the class.	Gantner Avenue School	TBD	Gantner Avenue All Students	Ms. Jackter
S.	Bunny Hop Spring Fundraiser Students will walk or hop around the school to raise money for the PTO	Gantner Avenue School	4/3/23	Gantner Avenue All Students/ Teachers	Ms. Jackter

G2. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the **Donations(s)** as submitted, for the 2022/2023 school year.

G-2	Donation	Donator(s)	Location
A.	\$170.00 Check	Del and Jody Rodriguez	To offset Sixteenth Avenue Grade 3 Field Trip to Legoland DiscoveryCenter & Sea Life Aquarium
B.	\$120.30 Check	Amanda Samucini	To offset Sixteenth Avenue Grade 3 Field Trip to Legoland DiscoveryCenter & Sea Life Aquarium
C.	\$200.00 Check	Jeanmarie Gallagher	To offset Sixteenth Avenue Grade 3 Field Trip to Legoland DiscoveryCenter & Sea Life Aquarium

D.	\$158.70 Check	Sixteenth Avenue PTO	To offset Sixteenth Avenue Grade 3 Field Trip to Legoland DiscoveryCenter & Sea Life Aquarium
E.	17 Books	Camille Moody	Gilbert Avenue Media Center
F.	84 Books	The Sullivan Family	Gilbert Avenue Media Center

- G3. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the adoption of the McGraw-Hill Social Studies Program for grades 6 through 12 beginning with the 2023/2024 school year.

Motion of:

Second by:

Consent Vote on item: G1-G3

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

4. BUSINESS

M. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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

Regular Meeting
Closed Session

February 28, 2023
February 28, 2023

Motion of:

Seconded by:

Consent Vote on items: M1

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

F. FINANCIAL

F1. FINANCIAL REPORTS

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education accepts the February 2023, 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 February 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 February 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 35608 through 35700 totaling \$1,354,222.13 and wire transfers totaling \$488,002.55 from Spencer Savings Bank Board of Education General Account, check numbers 1584 through 1587 totaling \$7,998.65 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 February 28, 2023 in the total amount of \$1,170,975.22.

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 March 15, 2023 in the total amount of \$1,148,819.09.

F5. ADOPTION OF 2023-2024 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the Elmwood Park Board of Education hereby adopts the FY 2023/2024 **Preliminary Budget** for submission to the County Office as follows:

CURRENT GENERAL EXPENSE	\$55,737,909
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$ 9,351,259
TRANSFER TO CHARTER SCHOOLS	<u>\$ 1,175,000</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$66,264,168
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	\$ 1,403,921
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND	<u>\$ 2,642,200</u>
TOTAL DISTRICT BUDGET	\$70,310,289
GENERAL FUND TAX LEVY	\$35,460,498
DEBT SERVICE TAX LEVY	\$ 1,686,914

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

This budget withdraws \$8,479,901 from the district's Capital Reserve Account to support Capital Projects;

AND

As per policy #6471 and NJAC 6A:23B-1.2(b) which provides that the Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for such travel and expense reimbursement and that for the 2022/2023 school year the Board of Education appropriated \$21,403 for travel and has spent \$6,967 to date; that the Board of Education hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2023/2024 school year be set at the sum of \$21,653 and that the School Business Administrator shall track and record these costs to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded;

AND

that this FY 2023/2024 preliminary budget may be revised prior to final adoption on April 25, 2023, to reflect any changes required by the board of education or Interim Executive Bergen County Superintendent of Schools.

F6. APPROVE TO CANCEL OUTSTANDING CHECKS

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education approve to cancel the outstanding checks listed below, from the following bank accounts over one year old, effective March 2023.

General Bank Account

#32386	\$6,400.00
#32516	\$ 155.00
#32554	\$ 500.00
#32567	\$ 400.00
#32658	\$1,275.00
#33360	\$ 161.45
#33635	\$ 160.00

Payroll Account

#189040	\$ 681.55
#189044	\$ 129.81

Student Activity Account

#86792	\$ 21.00
#86799	\$ 21.00
#86812	\$ 21.00
#86823	\$ 21.00
#86826	\$ 21.00
#86857	\$ 21.00
#86871	\$ 21.00
#86886	\$ 21.00
#86966	\$ 120.00

Athletic Account

#70244	\$ 76.00
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F7. FUNDING SOURCE TITLE IV GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve to enter into a contract with Educere LLC to provide credit recovery coursework for high school students to be paid through the Title IV Grant, not to exceed \$40,000.00
Account #20-280-200-320-08-000-00

F8. FUNDING SOURCE ARP ESSER III

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the purchase of additional science textbooks (due to increased enrollment) from Gateway Holdings to be paid through the APR ESSER III grant not to exceed \$1,000.00
Account #20-487-100-600-08-000-00

F9. FUNDING SOURCE ESSER II

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the purchase of replacement chargers for student chromebooks from Chromebookparts.com through the ESSER II grant not to exceed \$800.00
Account #20-483-100-600-08-000-00

F10. FUNDING SOURCE ARP ESSER III

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the purchase and installation of six additional environmental sensors at the HS/MS from CDW Government through the ARP ESSER III grant, not to exceed \$12,000.00
Account #20-487-400-720-08-000-00

F11. FUNDING SOURCE ARP ESSER III

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education 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 paid through ARP ESSER III (\$6,282.80)
Account #20-487-100-600-08-000-00

F12. FUNDING SOURCE ESSER II 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 Parent Series: Learning Ecosystems from Well Being Therapy Center. Program consists of three sessions (3/29/23, 4/20/23, 5/3/23 - 6:30 p.m.) to be held at Gantner Avenue School for a total cost of \$3,750.00 under the ESSER II grant.
Account #20-484-200-300-08-000-00

F13. FUNDING SOURCE ESSER III GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the purchase of STEM summer camp program from Mad Science of Northeast NJ to run from 6/26/23 through 7/31/23, funded through The ESSER III grant not to exceed \$45,000.00
Account # 20-487-100-600-08-000-00

F14. FUNDING SOURCE ESSER III GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the purchase of the McGraw-Hill Social Studies program, for grades 6-12 for the 2023-2024 school year, funded through the ESSER III grant not to exceed \$210,000.00
Account #20-487-100-610-08-000-00

Motion of:

Seconded by:

Consent Vote on items: F1-F14

	KC	DD	CF	EM	CP	KP	DZ	DA	LG
AYE									
NAY									
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B. BUSINESS

BG1. USE OF FACILITIES – APPROVALS

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, pending receipt of required documentation according to Board Policy #7510.

BG2. 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.

Motion of:

Seconded by:

Consent Vote on items: BG1-BG2

	KC	DD	CF	EM	CP	KP	DZ	DA	LG
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NAY									
ABSENT									
ABSTAINED									
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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:
#2022-2023-090-03
#2022-2023-090-04
#2022-2023-060-11

Motion of:

Seconded by:

Consent Vote on items: H1

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

L. LEGAL

L1. ENTRANCE INTO CONTRACTS WITH SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE COMMISSION FOR THE 2023/2024 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, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

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, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

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.

L2. A RESOLUTION BINDING THE ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PURCHASE NATURAL GAS SERVICES THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES (“ACES”) Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS

WHEREAS, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as “ACES”), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as “NJSBA”), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from natural gas suppliers for retail natural gas supply services including interstate transportation to the local natural gas distribution utility company (Natural Gas Supply Services) through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the “Public School Contracts Law”, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.*, and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 *et seq.* (“EDECA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain natural gas services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to natural gas suppliers following said bids for natural gas services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2028, hereinafter referred to as “Effective Period”) issue one or more Requests for Bids for natural gas services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale natural gas market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Natural Gas Supply Service in each service territory to one or more natural gas suppliers that submits bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous natural gas usage and utility provided Basic Gas Supply Service rates; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said Natural Gas Supply Services to natural gas suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic gas supply service; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all Natural Gas Supply Services for its own use during the Effective Period through any natural gas supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for natural gas supply services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

NOW, therefore, be it RESOLVED,
that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all natural gas supply services needed for its own use during the Effective Period from the natural gas supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for natural Gas supply services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED

that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase natural gas at the terms and

conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the districts relative to the price charged for basic gas supply service by the natural gas public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED

that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain natural gas services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED

that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2028 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

L3. A RESOLUTION BINDING THE ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PURCHASE ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICES THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES (“ACES”) Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS

WHEREAS, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as “ACES”), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as “NJSBA”), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from

electric power suppliers for electric generation services through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the “Public School Contracts Law”, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.*, and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 *et seq.* (“EDECA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain electric generation services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to electric power suppliers following said bids for electric generation services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2028 hereinafter referred to as “Effective Period”) issue one or more Requests for Bids for electric generation services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale electric market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Electric Generation Service in each service territory to one or more electric power suppliers that submit bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous electric usage and utility provided Basic Generation Service rates; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said electric generation services to electric power suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic generation service; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period through any electric power supplier(s) awarded a

contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law;

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for electric generation services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

NOW, therefore, be it RESOLVED

that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period from the electric power supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for electric generation services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED

that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase electricity at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the Districts relative to the price charged for basic generation service by the electric public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED

that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain electric generation services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to

a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED

that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2028 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission or expiration of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

Motion of:

Seconded by:

Consent Vote on items: L1-L3

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

Certified to be true copies of resolutions adopted by the Elmwood Park Board of Education at its meeting held on March 16, 2023.

Mark S. Jacobus, Business Administrator/Board Secretary