

FINAL SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – PUBLIC HEARING
MARCH 27, 2012
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

There was a Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at 6:32 p.m. in the Memorial High School Teachers Room. Present were: Douglas DeMatteo, Louise Gerardi, Jennifer Pellegrine, Kathleen Policano, Arlene Rudmann, Sandra Balistrieri, Keith Cannizzo, Lori Sproviero, and Claire Kalinowski. Also present were Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/Business Administrator, and Patricia Otten, Confidential Executive Secretary, for the taking of minutes, and members of the public.

The Work Meeting was opened to the public at 7:50 p.m. and closed at 7:55 p.m. The following individuals addressed the board during the open session:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Richard Rudmann	1 Paul Court	Comments on 2012-2013 budget.
Robert Colletti	Councilman	Wished the board good luck at this evenings meeting.

By motion of Mr. Cannizzo, which was seconded by Mrs. Balistrieri, and unanimously approved by those present, the board adjourned the Work Meeting and proceeded to the Regular Meeting scheduled for that evening.

Following are Final Summary Minutes of the Regular Meeting held by the Elmwood Park Board of Education on Tuesday, March 27, 2012. Official more detailed minutes are maintained in the Office of the Board Secretary.

The Regular Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was opened at 8:05 p.m. in the Memorial High School Media Center. Present were: Douglas DeMatteo, Louise Gerardi, Jennifer Pellegrine, Kathleen Policano, Arlene Rudmann, Sandra Balistrieri, Keith Cannizzo, Lori Sproviero, and Claire Kalinowski. Also present were Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/Business Administrator, Patricia Otten, Confidential Executive Secretary, for the taking of minute, Moises Cordero, Assistant Director of Technology, to assist with the power point presentation on the 2012-2013 budget, David Saper, Principal Gilbert Avenue School, David Warner, Mayor Richard Mola, Roy Riggitano, Borough of Elmwood Park Chief Finance Officer, Councilman, Richard Trawinski, former Councilman, Frank Caramagnia, and Miles Garvey, Recreation Department representative, and members of the public.

After the flag salute, the reading of the Statement of Compliance was incorporated. The Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education is scheduled for Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial High School Teachers' Room. The Elmwood Park Board of Education will meet on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at 8 p.m. in the Memorial High School Media Center, 375 River Drive, Elmwood Park, New Jersey, 07407, for the purpose of holding a Public Hearing and for the adoption of the 2012-2013 school budget. At the Public Hearing the budget will be discussed and the tax payers will be given the opportunity to ask questions

and be heard with respect to said budget. The March Regular Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education will take place on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, immediately following the Public Hearing.

The order of business of the meeting was modified to proceed with the Regular Meeting before the Public Hearing on the budget.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS – Students of the Month
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Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education acknowledge the *achievement(s)* of the following students for winning the Fire Prevention Poster Contest.

Alexandra Bartoszek
Grade 2
Sixteenth Avenue School

Paris Vargas
Grade 2
Gantner Avenue School

Jacob Rubiani
Grade 5
Gantner Avenue School

Natalie Bravo
Grade 6
Memorial Middle School

Sage Weinzierl
Grade 10
Memorial High School

Desiree Balistrieri
Grade 11
Memorial High School

District Students of the Month

GILBERT AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Lilyanna Duarte	K
Brian Czygier	K
Jacob Yang	K
Joshua Rodriguez	1
Carlos Luis	1
Gabriela Wida	1
Rebecca Tester	2

Sarah Tester	2
Carly Ihnat	3
Gianna Sullivan	3
Camila Krejpowicz	4
Abraham Kario	4
Nico Pellerito	5
Stephanie Hernandez	5

GANTNER AVENUE SCHOOL STUDENT NAME GRADE

Israel Echevarria	Pre-K
Affan Yousuf	K
Amanda Tapia-Matos	K
Deev Shah	1
Devin Longaker	1
Krish Patel	2
Daniel Haxhiu	2
Alexander Lorenzo	2 & 3
Mya Pena	3
Anthony Azzoline	3
Vincenzo Scolaro	3 & 4
Nicholas DelVescovo	4
Laxmi Gajera	4
Jacob Rubiani	5
Katrina Sta Romana	5
Ashley Quinones	5

SIXTEENTH AVENUE SCHOOL STUDENT NAME GRADE

Aniqa Imran	Pre-K
Chloe Gonzalez	Pre-K
Jonothan Joseph	Pre-K
Paul Murphy	K-1
Kyle Jones	K - 2
Camila Martinez	K
Martin Jang	K
Jayden Buttacavoli	K
Kirandeep Kaur	1
Veronica Kalinowski	1

Lovey Ali	74 Caruth Avenue	Comments relative to elimination of courtesy bussing.
Sharon Levy	90 Linden Avenue	Comments on how extra curriculum activities help students get into college.
Jael Joseph	81 Rosedale Avenue	Comments on elimination of courtesy bussing and the crossing of highways.
Carol B.	2 Paul Court	Comments on elimination of courtesy bussing and the safety of students crossing Rt. 4.
Jenn M.	75 Lee Street	Comments on elimination of courtesy bussing; Inquiries on elimination of Basic Skills; Comments on town budget surplus.
Hubert Kalinowski	51 Bellevue Avenue	Comments on elimination of courtesy bussing and the safety of students crossing Rt. 4.
Rose Scolero	12 Craig Court	Comments on elimination of courtesy as it related to students going to Paramus Catholic.
Daniel Golabek	44 Godwin Avenue	Comments relative to proposed letter to Mayor and Council; Comments relative to iPads; Comments relative to architect costs.
Rebecca Golebrisk	163 Falmouth Avenue	Comments on transportation issues; Comments on before and after care.
Karen Gillis	58 E. Washington Ave.	Comments on elimination of courtesy bussing.
Frank L.	15 Bellevue Avenue	Comments on safety issues due to cutting transportation.
Jennifer Brammer	15 Stone Avenue	Comments on Basic Skills; New Jersey Ask, Salaries and Transportation.

1. PERSONNEL

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving personnel action resolutions PA through PP1. Item PO8 withdrawn.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

A. EMPLOYMENT

N/A

B. RESIGNATION

N/A

C. RETIREMENT

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education **accept** the letter of **intent to retire** from **Mr. Lawrence A. DeSantis**, Middle School Principal, effective July 1, 2012.

D. COACHES/STIPEND

N/A

E. APPOINTMENT of AIDES

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the **appointment** of the following aides at Gilbert Avenue School for the 2011/2012 school year:

NAME	POSITION	UPC#	SALARY	LOCATION
Annia Brito	Classroom Instructional Aide	AIDE.03.PRSD.NA.01	\$13.50 (Hour)	Gilbert Avenue School
Andrea Schurr	Classroom Instructional Aide	AIDE.03.PRSD.NA.02	\$13.50 (Hour)	Gilbert Avenue School

F. SUBSTITUTES

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the **appointment** of the following substitute for the 2011/2012 school year:

Elizabeth Popravak
14 Mill Street
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

G. TRANSFER

N/A

H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

N/A

I. VOLUNTEER

N/A

A. FMLA/MATERNITY LEAVE/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

N/A

B. WORKSHOP/TRAINING

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the following *request* for the 2011/2012 school year, for the following employee's to attend workshops:

Name	Position	Date	Sub Required	Activity	Location	Cost
Lynn Kassai	1 st Grade Teacher	April 4, 2012	Yes	Bergen County Educational Training -iPad	Rochelle Park, NJ	None
John Wittenbauer	LAL Teacher	June 1, 2012	Yes	The Capstone Experience – NJ Pathways to Teaching	West Windsor, NJ	None
Danielle Leva	SAC Counselor	March 26, 2012	No	Stopping Violence & Abuse	Mahwah, NJ	None
Virginia VanGenderen-Cheung	3 rd Grade Teacher	June 4, 2012	Yes	Bergen County Educational Training – ipad	Rochelle Park, NJ	None
Emelda Spence	Guidance Counselor	April 24, 2012	No	Counselor's Day Program	New Brunswick, NJ	None

C. STUDENT TEACHING OBSERVATION/PRACTICUM

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the student teaching observations as listed below:

Name	School	From	To	Teacher	Subject
Jamie Kugler	Memorial Middle School	November 12, 2012	December 21, 2012	TBD	6, 7, & 8 Math
Jamie Kugler	Gilbert Avenue School	September 5, 2012	November 9, 2012	Ms. DiPetrillo	Grade 1

D. PARAPROFESSIONALS

N/A

N. EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

N/A

O. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *Assistant Coach*, effective March 28, 2012.
- 2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *Clerk*, effective March 28, 2012.
- 3) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *Head Coach*, effective March 28, 2012.
- 4) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *Head School Nurse*, effective March 28, 2012.
- 5) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *High School Principal*, effective March 28, 2012.
- 6) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *Middle School Principal*, effective March 28, 2012.

- 7) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *Paraprofessional*, effective March 28, 2012.

WITHDRAWN

- 8) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *Payroll Clerk*, effective March 28, 2012.
- 9) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *Principal - Elementary*, effective March 28, 2012.
- 10) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *Security Officer*, effective March 28, 2012.
- 11) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *Teacher*, effective March 28, 2012.
- 12) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the proposed *job description* for *Volunteer*, effective March 28, 2012.

P. GENERAL

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* Employee #4163 to submit a physical examination by the district school physician.

2. STUDENTS

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Sproviero, approving student action resolution S1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of School, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *private out of district placement(s)* for the 2011/2012 school year, as attached.

3. GENERAL

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Balistreri, approving general action resolutions G1 through G14/ Item G12 amended to reflect correct address.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

- G1. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the acceptance of *grant* request from Mrs. Allison Jackter, Gantner Avenue School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Acceptance of \$500 Grant from Exxon/Mobil to be used
towards math or science activities

- G2. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education accept the request from Mrs. Allison Jackter, Gantner Avenue School Principal, for the *donation* of a \$100 Staples Gift Card from Staples Office Supplies and Mrs. Vora, parent, for Miss Sabina's fifth grade class at Gantner Avenue School for the 2011- 2012 school year.

- G3. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request from Mrs. Allison Jackter, Gantner Avenue School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Liberty Science Center Field Trip
Jersey City, NJ
Wednesday, May 23, 2012
8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
All Grade 4 Students
Ms. Gata, Ms. Pollack, Ms. Schmitt, Ms. Arimborgo, Ms. Guzman

Turtle Back Zoo Field Trip
West Orange, NJ
Monday, April 23, 2012
(Rain Date Monday, April 30, 2012)
9:15 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Ms. Arose, Ms. Kittaneh
Spring Photos
Gymnasium
Wednesday, April 25, 2012
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Gantner Avenue School PTO
Mrs. Jennifer Martino

- G4. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *change to the school calendar* for the 2011-2012 school year, as listed below:

School will be closed on May 24*, 25, and 29, 2012
in lieu of the three unused emergency days

*(Sixteenth Avenue School will be in single session on May 24th since school was not in session during a power outage.)

- G5. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request from Mr. Lawrence DeSantis, Middle School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Family Fun Night Carnival Party
In recognition of students (grades 1-5) in the Superintendent's Summer Reading Challenge
who achieved the established goal and their parents
Middle School Gymnasium
Thursday, March 29, 2012
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Ms. Andrea Selvaggi
Dr. Richard Tomko

- G6. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request from Mr. David Warner, Memorial High School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Catalog Fundraiser
Sunday, April 1, 2012 – Monday, April 30, 2012
In and out of school
High School
Book Club
Ms. DePascale

ESPN Magazine Subscription Sale
Out of School
Wednesday, March 28, 2012 – Friday, April 13, 2012
High School Baseball Team
Coach Scarnaty
Elmwood Park Apparel Sale
R&D Promotions
Out of School
Wednesday, March 28, 2012 – Friday, April 13, 2012
High School Baseball Team
Coach Scarnaty

2nd Annual Beefsteak
Elmwood Park VFW
Friday, May 11, 2012
7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.
Crusader Football Program
Coaches, Alumni and Supporters
Coach Wisniewski

2nd Annual Lift-a-thon
High School Weight Room
Monday, June 4; Tuesday, June 5; Wednesday, June 6, 2012
3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Crusader Football Program
High School Football Players
Coach Wisniewski

Golf Outing
Farmstead Golf Club
Thursday, August 2, 2012
1:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Crusader Football Program
Coaches, Alumni and Supporters
Coach Wisniewski

- G7. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education accept the request from Mrs. Allison Jackter, Gantner Avenue School Principal, for the *donation* of a large television and a computer monitor from Mr. and Mrs. Kida, parents, for Gantner Avenue School for the 2011- 2012 school year.
- G8. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education accept the request from Ms. Andrea Selvaggi, Director of Curriculum, for the *donation* of books from the VFW Post# 5084, to be used as prizes for the Superintendent's Summer Reading Challenge for the 2011- 2012 school year.
- G9. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education accept the request from Mrs. Allison Jackter, Gantner Avenue School Principal, for the *donation* of 8 boxes of books and VHS tapes from Mrs. Linda Smith, grandparent, for Gantner Avenue School for the 2011- 2012 school year.

- G10. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the **activity/events/fundraisers/etc.** request from Mr. David Saper, Gilbert Avenue School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Jenkinson's Aquarium Field Trip
Point Pleasant, NJ
Monday, May 21, 2012
9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Grade 5 classes
Grade 5 Teachers, Parent Chaperones

- G11. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education accept the **donation** of \$900, to offset the costs associated with establishing Patriot Park, from the graduating class of 1982 for the 2011- 2012 school year.

- G12. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the **activity/events/fundraisers/etc.** request from Mr. Dominick Silla, Sixteenth Avenue School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

AMC Theatres Field Trip
View movie, "Chimpanzees"
Route 3, Clifton, N.J.
Friday, April 20, 2012
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Grade 4 Students
Grade 4 Teachers, Parent Chaperones

- G13. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the acceptance of a **grant** request from Mr. Anthony Grieco, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel and Special Services, for the 2011-2015 school years as listed below:

Submission of Race to the Top
application to State of NJ,
Department of Education.
The allocation is \$38,468.

- G14. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the **request** from Chief Thomas Johnson, Elmwood Park Police Department, to hold active shooter and other drills in district schools in July, 2012 (dates to be determined).

4. BUSINESS

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving action resolution M1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present, with the exception that Mrs. Policano recused herself from the vote.

M. Approval of Minutes

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

Regular Meeting - **February 28, 2012**

F. Financial

Motion of Ms. Pellegrine, Seconded by Mrs. Rudmann, approving action resolutions F2 through F4.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present, with the exception that Mrs. Balistrieri recused herself from the votes on items 108675, 108939, 109019, and 109284 in item F3.

F1a & b Financial Report –N/A

F2. Confirmation of Bills and Warrants – 2011-2012

BE IT RESOLVED: that, based upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the bills payable March 2012, from Valley National Bank Board of Education General Account, which were reviewed by Finance Committee be confirmed for payment.

F3. Stipend and Overtime Payroll Confirmation

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Elmwood Park Board of Education confirms the action of the board secretary/business administrator in Issuing the stipend payroll for February 2012, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Elmwood Park Board of Education confirms the action of the board secretary/business administrator and the superintendent in issuing overtime and per diem vouchers received and made payable for February 2012.

F4. Acknowledgment of Student Activity Account Balances – N/A

BG. Business General

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mr. DeMatteo, approving business general action resolutions BG1 and BG2. Item BG1 amended to include Sadd/Volunteer/Student Congress Cancer Benefit. Item BG2 amended to include USOTB Baseball Games on Sundays.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

BG1. Use of Facilities - Approvals

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

BG2. Use of Facilities – Approvals – Outside Organizations

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

H. Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Balistrieri, approving action resolution H1 through H4.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present, with the exception that Mrs. Kalinowski recused herself from the vote.

H. BE IT RESOLVED: that, the Elmwood Park Board of Education, upon recommendation of the HIB Committee, does hereby affirm the Superintendent’s decision on Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying cases.

L. Legal

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving legal action resolution L1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

L1. Authorize Application for Safety Grant Program

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby authorize the board secretary/business administrator to execute application documentation for the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group Safety Grant Program.

A. Adoption of Policies and Regulations Second Reading of Policy

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mr. Cannizzo, approving action resolution A1.

Vote: The above motion was carried by a vote of six (6) ayes and three (3) nays (Mrs. Policano, Mrs. Rudmann, and Mrs. Balistrieri).

For the record, Mr. DeMatteo stated he regretfully had to vote yes. For the record, Mrs. Gerardi stated that she voted yes with regret.

A1. BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon recommendation of the superintendent and board secretary/business administrator, the board does hereby approve the second reading of the following policy:

Policy 8600 Transportation

ADDENDUM 1

1. PERSONNEL

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving Addendum 1 action resolutions PG1 through PM1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

G. TRANSFER

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of School, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *transfer* of **Ms. Magdalena Czarnik**, One to One Aide at the Middle School to a One to One Aide at Gantner Avenue School effective March 22, 2012 through June 30, 2012.

K. WORKSHOP/TRAINING

- 2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the following request for the 2011/2012 school year, for the following employee to attend a workshop:

Name	Position	Date	Substitute Required	Activity	Location	Cost
Tara Aken	Teacher	April 16 – 20, 2012	Yes	Orton- Gillingham Training	Secaucus, NJ	\$975 (Funded by Title IIA Grant)
Debra Burniston	Teacher	April 16 – 20, 2012	Yes	Orton- Gillingham Training	Secaucus, NJ	\$975 (Funded by Title IIA Grant)
Maria Visaggio	Teacher	April 16 – 20, 2012	Yes	Orton- Gillingham Training	Secaucus, NJ	\$975 (Funded by Title IIA Grant)
Jennifer Surniak	Case-Worker	April 16 – 20, 2012	No	Orton- Gillingham Training	Secaucus, NJ	\$975 (Funded by Title IIA Grant)
Evana Fiore	Teacher's Aide	April 16 – 20, 2012	Yes	Orton- Gillingham Training	Secaucus, NJ	\$975 (Funded by Title IIA Grant)

M. PARAPROFESSIONALS

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the extra-curricular activity, student activity paraprofessional position for the 2011/2012 school year, as listed below:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Matthew Dare	Varsity Baseball	2011-2012 School Year

GENERAL

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving Addendum 1 action resolutions G15, amended to correct time of event.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

- G15. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request from Mr. David Warner, High School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

St. Joseph's Foundation for Steven Hincapie Fundraiser
HS Gym/Small Gym
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 25, 2012
Public and Students
SADD/Volunteer/Student Congress
Ms. Merhab, Ms. Lacognata, Ms. Higbe

4. BUSINESS

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, seconded by Mrs. Policano, approving Addendum 1 action resolution BG3.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present, with the exception of Mrs. Sproviero who recused herself from the vote.

BG3. Authorize Letter to Mayor and Council

BE IT RESOLVED:

that the Elmwood Park Board of Education does hereby authorize the Superintendent to send a letter to the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Elmwood Park requesting funding for courtesy busing.

Addendum 2

GENERAL

Motion of Mr. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Policano, approving action Addendum 2 action resolutions G16 and G17.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

- G16. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the request from Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Director of Testing, Programs and Assessments to approve the **Summer Camp Program** for Grade K-8 Students (tabled at the December 20, 2011 BOE Meeting) for the 2012-2013 school year, as listed below:

Summer Camp for Grade K-8 Students
Middle School
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Students in Grades K-8
June 25, 2012 – August 17, 2012
Mr. Iachetti

- G17. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the request from Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Director of Testing, Programs and Assessments to approve the **After CARE Summer Camp Program** for Grade K-8 Students for the 2012-2013 school year, as listed below:

After CARE Camp Program for Grade K-8 Students
Middle School
3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Students in Grades K-8
June 25, 2012 – August 17, 2012
Mr. Iachetti

There was a second opening of the meeting to the public at 9:57 p.m. and closed to the public at 10:30 p.m. The following individuals addressed the board during the second public portion of the meeting.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Lovey Ali	74 Caruth Avenue	Objected to elimination of courtesy bussing; Commented on current transportation issues.
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Comments on previously reported transportation issues.

Fernando L.	117 Demott Avenue Clifton, N.J.	Comments on importance of theater program; Comments on iPad distribution.
Asia	District Student	Thanked the board for not cutting drama program.
Bobby M.	66 Cadmus Avenue	Comments on special education issues.
Jenn Brammer	15 Stone Avenue	Approached board with sample of slacks and discussed her displeasure in school district dress code; Comments relative to transportation issues; Inquiries as to test scores.
Elizabeth Mierziejski	39 Columbia Street	Comments on elimination of courtesy bussing and resulting traffic issues.

After the public portion of the meeting, William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/Business Administrator, gave a presentation relative to the 2012-2013 school budget.

Thereafter, there was a Motion by Ms. Pellegrine, Seconded by Mrs. Policano, to approve Public Hearing action resolution#1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

#1. BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the Elmwood Park Board of education hereby adopts the FY 2012-2013 final budget, as submitted and attached.

For the record, Mrs. Rudmann stated that she was not in favor of eliminating courtesy bussing or school security officers, and that it was an unfortunate situation.

For the record, Mrs. Balistrieri, stated that she was not in support of eliminating courtesy busing.

For the record, Mrs. Sproviero, stated that she was not in favor of eliminating school security officers.

For the record, Mrs. Gerardi, stated that she also was not in favor of eliminating school security officers.

After the vote, the following members of the public addressed the board.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Richard Rudmann	1 Paul Court	Inquiries relative to figures being posted on budget; Inquiries as to emergency plan in regard to Gilbert Avenue wall.
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Inquiries as to figures on Questions & Answers and advertised budget; Questions relative to what positions were being eliminated; Inquiries as to budget for Gilbert Project; Comments on increase of cost of petroleum; Inquiries as to how many students in charter Schools; Comments on calendar change due to school election.

After the members of the public addressed the board, and comments by board members, there was a

Motion by Ms. Pellegrine, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, adjourning the meeting at 11:55 p.m.

I hereby certify these final summary minutes of the meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education in session on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, Book of the Board of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

William P. Moffitt
Board Secretary