



Elmwood Park Board of Education
ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY
AGENDA

WORK MEETING
February 27, 2024

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

A. OPENING: ROLL CALL, SUNSHINE STATEMENT

B . OPEN SESSION REVIEW OF REGULAR AGENDA

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

C. 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.

F. ADJOURNMENT



**Elmwood Park Board of Education
ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY
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REGULAR MEETING
February 27, 2024**

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. ROLL CALL, SUNSHINE STATEMENT, FLAG SALUTE

B. PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS:

- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
 - Student Congress
 - Girl Basketball Team Recognition
 - EPAA

C. COMMITTEE UPDATES

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

E. OPEN SESSION: REVIEW OF REGULAR AGENDA

1. PERSONNEL
2. STUDENTS
3. GENERAL
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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 January, 2024.

GILBERT AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Asher Gutierrez	Pre-K
Adon Silva	Pre-K
Mila Aquino	K
Elena Burke	K
William Miranda Capella	K
Jood Wishah	1
Zofia Dluzniewski	1
Nouran Sarrouti	1
Jeremy Castillo Batista	2
Lyan Barrales	2
Ashley Hernandez Garcia	2
Estelle Rosado	2
Jolene Jakupi	3
Samuel Pettigano	3
Omran Sarrouti	3
Lana Zolay	4
Lily Dwornicki	4
Tiana Boksa	4
Adrian Galera	4

Brandon Green	5
Camila Perez	5
Fatima Escobar	5

GANTNER AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Onyx Mondragon	K
Abraham Muheisen	K
Karam Abdelrahim	K
Sandy Nye Ankomah	1
Alejandro Nunez	1
Omar Nunez	1
Emilio Ruiz	1
Jayden Campos	1
Ethan Chapman	2
Arlyn Colon Rivas	2
Drisha Gandhi	2
Emma Valverde	3
Sean Kunz	3
Jeremia Munoz	3
Rhema Egboka	4
Luca Feliciano	4
Elinne D. Sunga	5

Sophia Tejada	5
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SIXTEENTH AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Jadiel E. Cruz Gomez	Pre-K
Jonathan Perez	Pre-K
Julius Rivera	Pre-K
Shakir Myers	Pre-K
Anthony Kressler	K
Sofia Glogowski	K
Kiana Rosario	K
Alivia McNeill	K
Safa Anuz	1
Noelle Sanchez	1
Ana Zaturaska	1
Teo Altamirano	2
Fathma Khan	2
Gabriel Cardenas Montenegro	2
Aahil Saleh	3
Arber Laska	3
Samueljob Sebastian	3
Amberlee Cotto	4
Zoe Latibeaudiere	4

Eleen Jamhour	4
Ariella Rafailov	5
Izabella Sanchez	5
Julia Kalinowski	5
Zainab Dungaria	5

MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Jacob Bzdyra	6
Kacper Doroszkiewicz	7
Nataly Mondati	8

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Enis Spahiu	9
Eugene Oppong	10
Isabella Ramirez	11
Omar Sehwal	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.	Samantha Nuziale	Leave Replacement	TCH.03.KINDL. KD.04 11-110-100-101-03-000-00	BA Step 1 \$53,202 <i>(Per Diem Prorated)</i>	Gilbert Avenue School	3/1/24 Through 6/18/24
B.	Jerard Bilog-Staromana	Leave Replacement	TCH.02.ELEML. EL.01 11-120-100-101-02-000-00	BA Step 1 \$53,202 <i>(Per Diem Prorated)</i>	Gantner Avenue School	2/5/24 Through 6/18/24
C.	Kimberly Urban	Nurse	TCH.01.NURS. NA.01 11-000-213-100-01-000-00	MA+30 Step 8 \$69,123 <i>(Prorated)</i>	Memorial High School	2/28/24
D.	Adalgiza Leonardo	Custodian	CUS.05.CUST. NA.07 11-000-262-100-04-000-00-	Step 1 \$48,204 <i>(Prorated)</i>	District	2/28/24
E.	Albert Serpineto	Custodian	CUS.05.CUST. NA.08 11-000-262-100-02-000-00	Step 2 \$48,555 <i>(Prorated)</i>	District	Upon Completion of Background Check
F.	Melissa Damato	Leave Replacement	TCH.03.KINDL. KD.04 11-120-100-101-03-000-00	BA Step 1 \$53,202 <i>(Per Diem Prorated)</i>	Gilbert Avenue School	3/1/24 through 6/18/24

G.	Carlos Flores	Spanish Teacher	TCH.11.FORL. MS.02 11-130-100-101- 11-004-00	BA Step 15 \$82,103 <i>(Per Diem Prorated)</i>	Memorial Middle School	Upon Completion of Background Check
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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.	Rosette Hlinka	Environmental Club Advisor	11-401-100-100-11-001-00	Memorial Middle School	1/31/24
B.	Stana Vasilic	English Teacher	TCH.11.LALI. MS.08 11-130-100-101-11-003-00	Memorial Middle/High School	4/5/24
C.	Kara Woegens	Technology Analyst	TCH.12.TECH.A. NA.02 11-000-252-100-12-000-00	Memorial High School	4/14/24
D.	Amanda Modelfino	One to One Aide	AIDE.04.1TO1. NA.12 11-000-217-100-04-909-00	Sixteenth Avenue School	2/16/24

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 positions as listed in the categories below:

PD -1	Name	Position	Salary	UPC #	Location	Effective Date
A.	Mary Delany	Science Teacher	1 period/day \$61,373 (1/8) = \$7,671.63 <i>(Prorated)</i>	11-130- 100-101- 11-012-00	Memorial Middle School	1/29/24- 6/30/24
B.	Frank Lucibello	Environmental Club Advisor	\$941 <i>(Prorated)</i>	11-401-100- 100-11-001- 00	Memorial Middle School	1/31/24

2) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following *mentors for district staff*, for the 2023/2024 school year, paid through payroll deductions of mentees (NJDOE rate)

Mentee	Mentor
Jerard Bilog-Staromna	Cassandra Morena
Taylor Cabana	Andres Nuiver

3) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools recommends that the board of education confirm/approve Emily Hoke and Melanie Katz for Band Concerts and Dress Rehearsal for a stipend of \$300.00 per event.

- 4) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the below listed positions for the Summer Program for 2024/2025 school year.

PD -4	Name	Position	Salary	Location	Start Date	End Date
A.	Corinne DiMartino	Administrator 64-000-100- 101-08-721-00	\$3,400 <i>(AS PER EPAA CONTRACT)</i>	Memorial High School	6/24/24	7/25/24
B.	Danielle Sharples	Administrator 64-000-100- 101-08-721-00	Per Diem Rate <i>(AS PER EPAA CONTRACT)</i>	Memorial Middle School	6/24/24	7/25/24
C.	Kathleen Gesumaria	Administrator 11-212-100- 101-07-000-00	\$3,200 <i>(AS PER EPAA CONTRACT)</i>	Memorial Middle School	6/24/24	7/25/24

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.	Aliyah Campbell	Aide	AIDE.04.1TO1. NA.20 11-204-100-106 -04-000	\$17.50/hr	Sixteenth Avenue School	Upon Completion of Background Check
B.	Nancy Hayes	Aide	AIDE.04.RRRC. NA.01 11-216-100-106- 04-000	\$17.50/hr	Sixteenth Avenue School	Upon Completion of Background Check

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

F. SUBSTITUTES

- 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:

Christopher Picinich
Taylor Cabana
Aliyah Campbell

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

G. TRANSFER

- 1) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *transfer* of the following school administrators, principals, teachers, custodians and other officers and employees pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:16-1, for the 2023/2024 school year:

PG-1	Name	Position	From	UPC#	To	Position	Effective Date
A.	Marita Pachico	One to One Aide	Gantner Avenue School	AIDE.02.1TO1. NA.09 11-000-217-100 -02-909-00	AIDE.04.1TO1. NA.13 11-000-217-100 -04-909-00 Sixteenth Avenue School	One to One Aide	02/12/2024
B.	Armida Sinamati	Classroom Aide	Gantner Avenue School	AIDE.02.1TO1. NA.07 11-000-217-100 -02-909-00	AIDE.04.1TO1. NA.13 11-000-217-100 -04-909-00 Sixteenth Avenue School	One to One Aide	02/12/2024

H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

N/A

I. VOLUNTEER

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

Name	Position	Location	Effective
Anna Sifonios	End of year concert - Folk Dance Demonstration	Memorial Middle School	TBD

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.	Melissa Karimov	Sixteenth Avenue School	Elementary School Teacher	10/24/23	3/1/24 <i>(Amended from 9/26/23 agenda)</i>
B.	Eliza Stolz	Gantner Avenue School	Classroom Aide	2/2/24 <i>(unpaid)</i>	3/4/24
C.	Nicole DiTrani	Memorial Middle School	ELA Teacher	2/5/24 <i>(unpaid)</i>	TBD
D.	Susan Azcuy	Gantner Avenue School	Behaviorist	2/9/24 <i>(unpaid)</i>	03/04/24
E.	Giuliana Diaz	Sixteenth Avenue School	Elementary School Teacher	5/20/24-6/5/24 <i>(sick days)</i> 6/6/24-12/16/24 <i>(unpaid)</i>	12/16/24

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.	Allison Jackter	Principal Gantner Avenue School	4/24/2024	No	No Charge	ELA/Writing	Hackensack NJ
B.	Steve Bakreski	Director of Facilities	3/17/24 - 3/20/24	No	\$325.00 to be funded through Title IIA Grant	2024 NJSBGA Expo/Conference	Atlantic City, NJ
C.	Kathleen Gesumaria	Director of Special Services	4/24/2024	No	\$58.00 to be funded through Title IIA	Preschool Inclusion Leadership Conference	East Windsor NJ
D.	Shari Roth	Guidance	4/25/2024	No	No Charge	Middle/High School Restorative Justice: Tier 2 & 3	New Brunswick NJ
E.	Gina Ferrara	OT	2/28/2024 (½ day)	No	\$65.00 to be funded through Title IIA	Primitive Reflex Integration	Online
F.	Olivia Gennaro	MS Teacher	3/14/2024	Yes	No Charge	NJCTE Spring Conference	Madison NJ
G.	Miranda McLoughlin	CST	2/28/2024 (½ day)	No	\$60.00 to be funded through Title IIA	Psychopharmacology with Children and Adolescents	Virtual
H.	Jennifer Kabrt	Supervisor of Special Services	4/12/2024	No	\$525.00 to be funded through Title IIA	Handle with Care Recertification	Hamilton NJ

I.	Lauren Facher	Gantner Avenue Teacher	4/09/2024	Yes	\$279.00 to be funded through Title IIA	Best, Cutting-Edge Strategies for Fifth Grade	Virtual
J.	Dominique Spataro	Guidance	4/08/2024	No	\$199.00 to be funded through Title IIA	Practical Trauma-Informed Strategies to Reduce Anxiety in Students	Virtual
K.	Kristen Joy Stanczak	MS Teacher	3/12/2024 (½ day)	Yes	\$150.00 to be funded through Title IIA	Harnessing AI for Educator Well-being & Efficiency	Virtual
L.	Corinne DiMartino	Principal HS	3/26/2024	No	No Charge	Supporting Multilingual Learners/Educators in K-12 Classroom	Paramus NJ
M.	Nicole Zanetakos	HS Art Teacher	3/11/2024 (½ day)	Yes	No Charge	Bergen County Art Teachers	New Milford NJ
N.	Gi Shin	Supervisor of Instruction	3/15/2024	No	\$215.00 to be funded through Title IIA	Mathematics Beyond Numbers: Content, Concepts & Community	New Brunswick 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:

Seconded By:

Consent Vote on items: PA1-PK1

	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 *ProCare Therapy* Client Services Agreement for the 2023/2024 school year.

- 2) 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 2023/2024 school year as indicated:

S-2	SID	School Name	Dates	Tuition
A.	108376	Windsor School (Pompton Lakes)	1/22/24-6/30/24	\$43,316.00
B.	113635	Bleshman School	2/5/24-6/30/24	\$78,390.00 (prorated)
C.	113676	New Beginnings	2/1/24-6/30/24	\$40,176.00
D.	113677	New Beginnings	2/1/24-6/30/24	\$40,176.00
E.	113675	Windsor Prep High School	2/1/24-6/30/24	\$28,497.92

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

- 3) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve out of district *one to one aide(s)* as regulated by N.J.A.C. 6A:14 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-18, Private/Public Schools for Students with Disabilities for the 2023/2024 school year as indicated:

S-3	SID	School Name	Dates	Tuition
A.	113676	New Beginnings	2/1/24-6/30/24	\$26,040.00

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

- 4) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *Silvergate Prep* to provide homebound instruction services for student 109635 for the 2023/2024 school year.

- 5) 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-5	SID	EPPS School Name / Sending District	Dates	Total Incoming Tuition
A.	112536	Elmwood Park Memorial Middle School / Teaneck Public Schools	2/1/24-6/18/24	\$12,325.00/year & \$217.00/day transportation cost (prorated)

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

S-6	SID	EPPS School Name / Sending District	Dates	Total Cost
A.	113524	Gantner Ave School / Paterson Public Schools	2/16/24-6/18/24	\$170.00/day

7) Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following student(s) as *out of district tuition student(s)* for the 2023/2024 school year.

S-7	SID	School Name / Receiving District	Dates	Total Out of District Tuition
A.	112510	Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. School / Paterson Public Schools	1/8/24-6/26/24	\$10,552.34
B.	112996	Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. School / Paterson Public Schools	1/8/24-6/26/24	\$10,090.10

Motion of:

Seconded by:

Consent Vote on items: S1-S7

	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 2023/2024 school year as listed below:

G-1	School Activity	Loc./ Sch.	Date/Time	Participants	Adm./Teach. Coach/Advis
A.	5th Grade GHSA End of year trip. American Dream Theme Park	East Rutherford	6/6/24 8:30am to 3:15pm	Gilbert Avenue 5th Grade Students	Mr. Alberta
B.	Wellness Program Select Wellness will host a complimentary appreciation lunch	Gantner Avenue School	3/1/24 8:00am to 12:00pm	Gantner Avenue Staff	Ms. Jackter

	and massages for the staff to assist with stress.				
C.	Second Grade Habitat Museum. Students will share a particular project, researching an animal at school and completing a diorama at home. Project will be displayed for parents and students to view	Gantner School	2/22/24 9:30am to 11:00 am	Gantner Avenue 2nd Grade Students	Ms. Jackter
D.	Poetry Contest sponsored by Young American Poetry Digest. Students submissions considered for publication in the digest as well as \$100 award to the school	Elmwood Park All Elementary School	2/26/24 to 4/12/24	Grade K-5th and Gifted & Talented Students	Ms. Jackter. Ms. Sharples Mr. Alberts
E.	High School STEM Club and select eligible Physics students will attend Six Flags for Physic Day where they will participate in mini lessons throughout the day.	Jackson, New Jersey	5/3/24 8:00am to 9:00pm	High School STEM Club Students and Physics Students	Ms. DiMartino
F.	Read Across America Week Activities Wear a shirt with a positive message, Wear colors of the rainbow or tie dye, Be like the wild and wear your wildest hairstyle, wear something that represents your culture and wear your pajamas and bring your favorite books to read.	Gantner Avenue Gilbert Avenue Sixteenth Avenue Schools	3/5/4/24 to 3/8/24	All Elementary Students	Ms. Jackter Ms. Sharples Mr. Alberta
G.	High School Fundraiser Art Club Students will have a snack sale after school in front of the main office. Some jewelry will also be sold.	High School	February to May	All High School Students	Ms. DiMartino
H.	5th Grade Field Trip to IFLY STEM program Students will learn about tunnel technology plus take a flight	Paramus	3/21/24 9:30am to 2:30pm	Gantner Avenue 5th Grade Students	Ms. Jackter
I.	We Rock The Spectrum Kid's Gym. Students will learn about	Paramus	5/13/24 9:00 am to	Gantner Avenue	Ms. Jackter

	working on balance, motor planning, strength, stress release, and joint body relaxation		11:30 am	K-5th Grade Special Education Students	
J.	The Liberty Science Center field Trip. Liberty Science Center offers adventures for kids to explore scientific principles and learn about wild animals and science.	Jersey City	5/2/24 9:20 am to 2:15 pm	Gantner Avenue 1st and 2nd Grade Students	Ms. Jackter
K.	Rizzo's Wildlife World This program will give students a multi-sensory and interactive experience with wildlife.	Sixteenth Avenue Gym	5/3/24 9:30am to 10:30am	Sixteenth Avenue K Grade Students	Ms. Sharples
L.	Field Trip to the Liberty Science Center. Students will learn to explore a variety of science concepts taught in the 4th Grade.	Jersey City	5/29/24 9:00am to 2:30pm	Sixteenth Avenue 4th Grade Students	Ms. Sharples
M.	The Grand Falloons Assembly Professor W's Earth Science Circus: Our Earth, What a Gas!	Sixteenth Avenue Gym	2/28/24 9:30am to 10:30am	Sixteenth Avenue 3rd through 5th Grade Students	Ms. Sharples
N.	Graduation Lawn Sign 5th Grade Committee will sell graduation lawn signs for Grades Kindergarten and 5th Grade Students	Sixteenth Avenue School	3/1/24 to 3/14/24	Sixteenth Avenue K and 5th Grade Students	Ms. Sharples
O.	New York Boulders Reading Program	Gilbert Avenue School	3/4/24 to 3/24/24	Gilbert Avenue K- 5th Grade Students	Mr. Alberta
P.	5th Grade Food Drive The 5th Grade Class will hold a food drive to support the St. Anne's Food Pantry in Fair Lawn	Sixteenth Avenue School	2/28/24 to 3/22/24	Sixteenth Avenue All Students	Ms. Sharples
Q.	5th Grade Snack Sale	Sixteenth Avenue School	2/29/24 & 3/21/24 3:15pm to 3:30pm	Sixteenth Avenue All Students	Ms. Sharples

R.	Enamel Pin Sale All students can buy various enamel pins ranging from \$2.00 to \$5.00. Profits go to Grade 5 Council	Sixteenth Avenue School	3/25/24 to 3/28/24 9:00am to 9:30am	Sixteenth Avenue All Students	Ms. Sharples
S.	Mr. Cupcakes 5th Grade Student Council Fundraiser. Families can order a variety of cupcakes from Mr. Cupcakes using an order form for a fundraiser	Sixteenth Avenue School	4/8/24 to 4/26/24	Sixteenth Avenue All Students	Ms. Sharples
T.	Newark Art Museum Field Trip Students will be given a tour of the Montclair Art Museum, and a special activity will be organized in which the students will create portraits influenced by a specific exhibition	Newark, NJ	5/30/24 9:00am to 1:30pm	High School Art Club Students	Ms. DiMartino
U.	The Lion King on Broadway Field Trip.	New York	4/17/24 12:00pm to 6:00pm	High School Jr. Class Students	Ms. DiMartino
V.	High School Teacher Appreciation Wellness Day Massage and Lunch	High School	3/26/24 3/28/24	High School Staff	Ms. DiMartino
W.	Spring Fling Dance	Gilbert Avenue Gym	3/22/24	Gilbert Avenue Students	Mr. Alberta
X.	Grade 3 Field Trip Students will engage in various technological/STEM based activities in the LG Inspiration Lab	Englewood Cliffs, NJ	5/21/24 9:00am to 2:00pm	Sixteenth Avenue 3rd Grade Students	Ms. Sharples

G2. 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-2	Donation	Donator(s)	Location
A.	13 Pizza Pies	The Sapkar Family	Middle School Student Congress Dance
B.	\$500 Shoprite Gift Card	Inserra Supermarkets	Special Services Department

G3. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *Gantner Avenue End of Year Activities* for the 2023/2024 school year:

Activity	Date
Spring Concert	TBD
Kindergarten When I Grow Up Show	3/20/24
Amusement Day	4/19/24
Field Day	5/30/24
Kindergarten Orientation	6/5/24
Kindergarten End of Year Show	6/6/24
Kindergarten Screenings	6/11/24, 6/12/24 and 6/13/24
Grade 5th Moving up program and Grade 1st to 4th Awards Program	TBD

G4. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *tentative School District Calendar* for the 2024/2025 school year, as attached.

G5. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *tentative 12-Month Holiday Calendar* for the 2024/2025 school year.

- G6. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Extended School Year Programs (ESY)*** for in-district students for the summer of 2024, pursuant to Individualized Education Programs.
- G7. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Elmwood Park High School Spring Sports Schedule*** request from Mr. Daniel Basile, Athletic Director for the 2023/2024 school year, as submitted and also approve participation in all NJSIAA State Sectional, Regional and Final tournaments as well as all County and League Sponsored tournaments for all Spring sports teams that qualify and costs associated with participation in said tournaments.
- G8. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***District Twitter Page (Elmwood Park Public School @EPPSNJ)*** for the 2024/2025 school year.
- G9. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***District Facebook Page (Elmwood Park Public School @EPPSNJ)*** for the 2024/2025 school year.
- G10. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***District Instagram Page (Elmwood Park Public School @EPPSNJ)*** for the 2024/2025 school year.
- G11. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Sixteenth Avenue School Instagram Page (EP16thAveSchool)*** for the 2024/2025 school year.
- G12. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Gilbert Avenue School Instagram Page (GilbertAveSchool)*** for the 2024/2025 school year.
- G13. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Sixteenth Avenue School Instagram Page (Gantneravenueschool)*** for the 2024/2025 school year.

- G14. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Back to School Nights*** for the 2024/2025 school year.
- Memorial High School: Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 7:00pm
 Memorial Middle School: Thursday, September 19, 2024 at 7:00pm
 Elementary Schools: Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 7:00pm
- G15. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Active Shooter And Other Drills*** as requested from Chief Michael Foligno, Elmwood Park Police Department, in district schools for the 2024/2025 school year, dates and times to be determined, when school is not in session.
- G16. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***Violence Awareness Training for Staff and Students*** as requested from Bergen County Prosecutor's Officer, in district schools during the 2024/2025 school year, dates and times to be determined, when school is not in session.
- G17. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***K-9 Training And Other Drills*** as requested from Bergen County Sheriff's Department, in district schools for the 2024/2025 school year, dates and times to be determined, when school is not in session.
- G18. Dr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education approve the faculty/staff listed below to visit Long Memorial Elementary School, Saddle Brook and Thomas Jefferson School, Hawthorne on February 28, 2024 to observe their literacy programs in action.
- Kurt Mathews Antonia Gumbman Kim Vandermast
 Denise Aloudior Toni Clark
 (Lindsay Gawrylo and Marisa Sterzel will serve as alternates)

Motion of:

Second by:

Consent Vote on item: G1-G18

	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

January 23, 2024

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 January 2024, financial report, as submitted, which includes the monthly Board Secretary's Report, Transfer Report, and the Treasurer of School Moneys Report for the respective month endings. The Board notes that the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports are in balance for the cash receipts and disbursements for the respective month endings.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)3, the board of education secretary certifies that as of January 2024, that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c)4, the board of education secretary certifies that as of January 2024, 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 37152 through 37380 totaling \$1,690,177.75 and wire transfers totaling \$571,722.42 from Spencer Savings Bank Board of Education General Account, check numbers 1633 through 1638 totaling \$122,309.27 from board of education Food Service Account, which were reviewed by the Finance Committee, be confirmed for payment.

F3. PAYROLL CONFIRMATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education confirms the action of the board secretary/business administrator in issuing the payroll for January 30, 2024 in the total amount of \$1,257,367.54.

F4. PAYROLL CONFIRMATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education confirms the action of the board secretary/business administrator in issuing the payroll for February 15, 2024 in the total amount of \$1,228,006.95.

F5. APPROVAL OF DISTRICT TUITION RATES FOR THE 2024/2025 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve the tuition rates for the 2024/2025 school year as follows:

Kindergarten	\$12,477
Grades 1-5	\$13,565
Grades 6-8	\$13,435
Grades 9-12	\$13,775
LLD	\$13,489
Emot. Reg. Imp. (BD)	\$162,524
Preschool Disabled (Part Time)	\$14,278
Autism	\$32,101
Multiple Disability	\$56,645
Preschool Dis. - (full time)	\$20,189
Preschool Dis. - (Part time)	\$13,082

F6. APPROVAL OF HIGH SCHOOL ACCUPLACER REMEDIATION
TEACHERS AND TEST PROCTORS

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the board of education approve that the below listed faculty be compensated for *Accuplacer Remediation and Test Proctoring* to take place between January 2024 and June 2024. Remediation compensation set at contractual rate of \$55.00 per hour and test proctoring at the rate of \$110 per session (two-hour estimated window).

Accuplacer ELA Remediation

Zacha DelValle Regina Hevner
Jennifer Pallotta Isabel DeSousa-Runge

Accuplacer Math Remediation

Lisa McDowall Ryan Whitmer
Pinar Yildiz Isabel DeSousa-Runge

Test Proctors

Regina Hevner Isabel DeSousa-Runge
Zacha DelValle Aleen Takvorian
Veronica Alfonso Ryan Whitmer

F7. ALLOCATION OF COMPENSATION AND FUNDING SOURCE
2023/2024 TITLE I GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the allocation of teacher salary and funding source for employee whose remuneration (either full or partial) is supported by the 2023/2024 Title I Grant
Account #20-231-100-101-08-000-00

F-7	Name	2023/2024 Salary	% Title I	Pd Title I
A.	Taylor Cabana	\$53,202	60.00%	

F8. 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

Omegaman and Friends (\$2,985.00)

Gantner Avenue School 3/14/24 2 shows (am)

Gilbert Avenue School 3/14/24 2 shows (pm)

Sixteenth Avenue School 3/12/24 2 shows (pm)

F9. FUNDING SOURCE ARP/ESSER III GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon the recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the purchase from Apple of iPads for kindergarten classrooms (\$16,318.00) funded through ARP/ESSER III Grant
Account #20-487-100-610-08-000-00

F10. FUNDING SOURCE ARP/ESSER III GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the purchase/installation of upgraded interior doors districtwide from Shaws Lock & Door (not to exceed \$392,000.00) to be funded through ARP/ESSER III Grant
Account #20-487-400-720-08-000-00

F11. FUNDING SOURCE ARP/ESSER III GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the purchase iPads and accessories for use with the district security systems, as detailed below, to be funded through the ARP/ESSER III Grant
Account #20-487-400-720-08-000-00

Apple \$1655.80
 CDW-G \$ 86.25

F12. FUNDING SOURCE ARP/ESSER III GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED: that upon recommendation of the superintendent, the board of education approve the payment to faculty for curriculum revisions and writing in the amount of \$71,877.00. To be funded through ARP/ESSER III Account # 20-488-200-100-08-000-00

Curriculum Revisions and Writing

Compensation as per EPEA Contract (\$60.00/hr)

Employee	Course(s)	Hours	Stipend (in \$)
Veronica Alfonso	Gifted and Talented Program 6, 7, & 8; Gifted and Talented Program 9, 10, 11, & 12; Culturally Responsive Teaching and Learning—Grades 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, & 12	64	3840
Phil Bloete	ELA 12 & 12 Honors; Creative Writing in the 21st Century; Literature and the Media; Mythology & Allusion, Journalism, 21st Century Research and Technical Writing	45.5	2730
Jeanne Browne	BSI-ELA 4 & 5	14	840
Carmelina Buffa	Technology K, 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5; Computer Science: Fundamentals in Scratch--Course I; Course II; Course III; Computer Applications	28	1680
Alexandra Burke	Instrumental Music 4 & 5; Instrumental Music 6, 7, and 8; HS Instrumental Music I, II, III, & IV	15	900
Michael Calissi	BSI-Math K, 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5	42	2520
Joanne Camporeale	Algebra II & II Honors; Trigonometry	24	1440
Laura Cioffi	Reading 3, Writing 3, Grammar 3, Math 3, Science 3	40	2400
Daniel DiStasio	Environmental Lab Science; Biology; Anatomy and Physiology; Forensic Science; Contemporary Issues in Science	20.5	1230
Lisa Fierro	Social Studies 6--Geography; 7--American History; 7--Civics; 8--World Cultures;	30	1800

	Financial Literacy 6, 7, & 8		
Dolores Gale	Biology Honors; AP Biology	10.5	630
Oliva Gennaro	ELA 6 & 6 Honors; Writing Lab 6 & 6 Honors; Foundations of ELA--6, 7, & 8	36	2160
Regine Hevner	ELA 11 & 11 Honors; AP Literature & Composition	17.5	1050
Dana Illge	Math 6 & 6 Honors; Algebra--8 Accelerated; Foundations of Math 6, 7, & 8	48	2880
Paula Jacobs	Theater K, 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5; Theater 6, 7, & 8	27	1620
Michael Kay	Financial Literacy & Financial Literacy-Hybrid; Accounting; Business Management; Economics; Entrepreneurship; Marketing	16	960
Julia Kim	Calculus; AP Calculus AB	24	1440
Cassandra Kriegel	Dance 6, 7, and 8; HS Dance I, II, III, & IV	21	1260
Ryanne Langford	Reading 5, Writing 5, Grammar 5, Math 5, Science 5	40	2400
Malissa Lemanski	Reading 2, Writing 2, Grammar 2, Math 2, Science 2; ESL K-5	47	2820
Pamela Longaker	Gifted and Talented Program K, 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5; Culturally Responsive Teaching and Learning--Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5	54	3240
Barbara Lorenc-Lach	BSI-ELA K, 1, 2, & 3	28	1680
Caitlin Lorfink	ELA 7 & 7 Honors; Writing Lab 7 & 7 Honors	21	1260
Tammy Martone	Science 6	7	420
Lisa McDowall	Algebra I & I Honors; Statistics and Probability	24	1440
Maryssa Minadeo	ELA 8 & 8 Honors; Writing Lab 8 & 8 Honors	21	1260
Rachel Molino	ELA 9 & 9 Honors; ELA 10 & 10 Honors	21	1260
Shane Pastori	Math 7 & Math 7 Accelerated--Pre-Algebra; Pre-Algebra 8	30	1800
Urvashi Patel	Chemistry; Chemistry Honors; Concepts of Chemistry; AP Chemistry	21	1260
Adam Rack	HS Instrumental Music I, II, III, & IV	12	720

Jennifer Ross	Health K , 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5; Dance K, 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5; Health 6, 7, & 8	57	3420
Alana Sabatini	Reading 1, Writing 1, Grammar 1, Math 1, Science 1	40	2400
Amanda Sambucini	Reading 4, Writing 4, Grammar 4, Math 4, Science 4	40	2400
Nicholas Schiff	20th Century Conflicts; American Government; Comparative Religions; Contemporary Issues in Sports History; Current Affairs; Exploring Digital and Social Media; History Through Film; Holocaust and Genocide Studies; Introduction to Criminal Justice; Introduction to Law and Public Policy; International Relations; Psychology; Public Speaking; Sociology	38	2280
Aleen Takvorian	Science 7 & 8	14	840
Virginia Tronlone	Reading K, Writing K, Grammar K, Math K, Science K	40	2400
Brianna Trzepinska	World History & World History Honors; U.S. History I & U.S. History I Honors; U.S. History II & U.S. History II Honors; AP U.S. History II; AP European History	45.5	2730
Ryan Whitmer	Geometry & Geometry Honors; Pre-Calculus & Pre-Calculus Honors; Introduction to Computer Science	37	2220
Edward Yilmaz	Physics	7	420
Nicole Zanetakos	Media Arts K, 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5	30	1800
TOTAL	—	1197.5 hrs	\$71,850

Motion of:

Seconded by:

Consent Vote on items: F1-F12

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

B. BUSINESS

BG1. USE OF FACILITIES – APPROVALS – OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS

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

BG 2. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING FOR MARCH 26, 2024

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the board of education does hereby approve a **Special Board Meeting on March 26, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.** in the High School/Middle School Media Center.

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

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby accepts and approves the business administrator/board secretary to submit the 2024/2025 SEMI Action Plan to the Bergen County Executive County Superintendent in accordance with New Jersey Department of Education requirements.

Motion of:

Seconded by:

Consent Vote on items: BG1-BG3

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

H. HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION & BULLYING

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

- #2023-2024-070-01
- #2023-2024-070-02
- #2023-2024-060-06
- #2023-2024-050-04
- #2023-2024-060-07

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. APPROVE FOOD SERVICE RFP AND CONTRACT WITH EDVOCATE

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education approves to solicit proposals for the district's food service management program for the 2024-2025 school year; and also approve to contract with Edvocate, Inc. to manage the district's RFP process at a fee of \$4,999 and pursuant to USDA regulations approve charging this fee to the district food services program fund 60.

L2. RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF ELMWOOD PARK IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, RE-AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS NECESSARY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE AND ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$15,750,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF REFUNDING SCHOOL BONDS AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS TO DO ALL ACTS AND THINGS DEEMED NECESSARY AND ADVISABLE IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE, ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY OF SAID BONDS

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

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the current interest rate environment may enable it to realize going-forward debt service savings for property taxpayers residing in the School District through the issuance by the Board of Refunding School Bonds (the "Refunding School Bonds") to refund all or a portion of the \$14,110,000 aggregate

principal amount of the outstanding 2014 Board Bonds maturing on August 1 in the years 2025 through 2034, inclusive (the “Refunded Bonds”); and

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

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2022, the Board held a public hearing on the Refunding Bond Ordinance; and

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

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

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

SECTION 1. The Refunding School Bonds are hereby authorized to be sold to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as Underwriter (the “Underwriter”) in accordance with the terms set forth in the proposal provided to the Board.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

In addition, the issuance of the Refunding School Bonds shall comply with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:30-2.5, including that within ten (10) days of the date of the closing on the Refunding School Bonds, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall file a report with the Local Finance Board within the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs setting forth (a) a comparison of the Refunding School

Bonds' debt service and the Refunded Bonds' debt service, which comparison shall set forth the present value savings achieved by the issuance of the Refunding School Bonds; (b) a summary of the issuance of the Refunding School Bonds; (c) an itemized accounting of all costs of issuance in connection with the issuance of the Refunding School Bonds; and (d) a certification of the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that (i) all of the conditions of Section (b) of N.J.A.C. 5:30-2.5 have been met, and (ii) this resolution authorizing the issuance of the Refunding School Bonds, adopted pursuant to 18A:24-61.5(b), was approved by a two-thirds vote of the full membership of the Board.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Statement as so modified shall constitute the final Official Statement (the "Official Statement"). The Business Administrator/Board Secretary is authorized and directed on behalf of the Board to execute and deliver said Official Statement.

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

SECTION 10. The President, Vice President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary or any other appropriate officer or representative of the Board, are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents and to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out the transactions contemplated by this resolution, the Purchase Contract, the Escrow Deposit Agreement and the Commitment, and for the authorization, sale and issuance of the Refunding School Bonds. The execution by such officials and officers of any such documents, with changes, insertions or omissions approved by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, in consultation with Bond Counsel, as hereinabove provided, shall be conclusive and no further ratification or other action by the Board shall be required with respect thereto.

SECTION 11. The Board hereby covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under Section 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") of the interest on the Refunding School Bonds.

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

SECTION 13. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

L3. APPROVE CONTRACT WITH TECHNOTIME FOR NETWORK, HARDWARE & SOFTWARE

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve to contract with Technotime as per quote submitted for network, hardware, software and licenses for the district in the amount of \$29,512.52 as per HCESC-CAT-12-20 Contract.

L4. AUTHORIZING REJECTION OF BID FOR PRE-K ADDITIONS & RENOVATIONS GANTNER, GILBERT & 16TH AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1, et seq., the Elmwood Park Board of Education advertised and received bids for a project entitled “Pre-K Additions and Renovations at Gantner, Gilbert & 16th Ave Schools;” and

WHEREAS, the Board received the following bids:

Bidder	Base Bid
DMD Contracting	\$13,295,000.00
The Bennett Company, Inc.	\$13,315,000.00
Grove Contracting, LLC	\$13,640,000.00
Vanas Construction Co., Inc.	\$13,700,000.00
M&M Construction Co., Inc.	\$14,039,000.00
Brockwell & Carrington Contractors, INc.	\$14,225,000.00
Brahma Construction	\$15,400,000.00

WHEREAS, the bids substantially exceed the Board’s budget for the project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22(b), a board of education may reject all bids when the lowest bid substantially exceeds the board’s appropriation for the goods or services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22(d), a board of education may reject all bids when the board wants to substantially revise the specifications for the goods or services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

by the Elmwood Park Board of Education that the Board rejects all bids pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22(b) and (d).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

that the Chief School Administrator and the Business Administrator are authorized to re-advertise for bids in accordance with the Public School Contracts Law.

L5. AUTHORIZING REJECTION OF BID FOR THE HVAC @ MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL GYM

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1, et seq., the Elmwood Park Board of Education advertised and received bids for a project entitled “HVAC @ Memorial High School Gym” and

WHEREAS, the Board received the following bids:

Bidder	Base Bid
Amco Enterprises	\$2,334,000.00
Centralpack Engineering	\$1,839,645.00
Envirocon, LLC	\$2,390,900.00
Pattman Plumbing	\$2,215,000.00

WHEREAS, the bids substantially exceed the Board’s budget for the project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22(b), a board of education may reject all bids when the lowest bid substantially exceeds the board’s appropriation for the goods or services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22(d), a board of education may reject all bids when the board wants to substantially revise the specifications for the goods or services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

by the Elmwood Park Board of Education that the Board rejects all bids pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22(b) and (d).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

that the Chief School Administrator and the Business Administrator are authorized to re-advertise for bids in accordance with the Public School Contracts Law.

L6. AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION & FINANCING ACT SECTION 15 GRANT AGREEMENT FOR THE HVAC SYSTEM UPGRADES AT THE MEMORIAL MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve to apply for the Educational Facilities Construction & Financing Action Section 15 Grant (EFCFA) for purposes of Upgrading the HVAC System at the Memorial Middle/High School, DOE PROJECT #1345-050-23-R501, SDA PROJECT #1345-050-G5FN, GRANT #G5-6547.

L7. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR FOR SUPERVISION OF THE SCHOOL FACILITIES PROJECT

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve the delegation of authority to the School Business Administrator for the Supervision of the School Facilities Project for the purpose of the Upgrading the HVAC System at the Memorial Middle/High School, DOE PROJECT #1345-050-23-R501, SDA PROJECT #1345-050-G5FN, GRANT #G5-6547.

L8. APPROVE CAPITAL RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Capital Reserve Funds in the amount of \$1,706,900 and appropriate the funds for professional services for the project for the purposes of Upgrading the HVAC System at the Memorial Middle/High School; and

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves that they have set aside \$1,024,140 in the capital reserve for this project.

L9. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$1,002.65, and appropriate the funds for professional services to In-Line for Actuator Replacement at Gilbert Avenue School, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-03.

L10. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$1,495.73, and appropriate the funds for professional services to In-Line for Pilot Gas Valve Replacement at 16th Avenue School, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-04.

L11. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$2,117.89, and appropriate the funds for professional services to CJ Vanderbeck for Piping and Piping Repair at Gantner Avenue School, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-02.

L12. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$7,000.00, and appropriate the funds for professional services to Challenger Fence for Chain Link Fence at Gantner Avenue School, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-02.

L13. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$1,290.00, and appropriate the funds for professional services to TBS Controls for Inspecting Unit Ventilators at 16th Avenue School, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-04.

L14. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$2,872.00, and appropriate the funds for professional services to CJ Vanderbeck for Boiler Service at 16th Avenue School, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-04.

L15. APPROVE MAINTENANCE RESERVE WITHDRAWAL & APPROPRIATION

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves to withdraw Maintenance Reserve Funds in the amount of \$3,240.00, and appropriate the funds for professional services to CJ Vanderbeck for Pump Repair at Gilbert Avenue School, account #11-000-261-420-15-000-03.

Motion of:

Seconded by:

Consent Vote on items: L1-L15

	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 February 27, 2024.

Mark S. Jacobus, Business Administrator/Board Secretary