ROSELLE PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Office of the Superintendent  

February 24, 2017  

TO: Christopher Miller, President  
Members of the Board of Education  
FROM: Pedro Garrido, Superintendent  
SUBJECT: AGENDA FOR BOARD MEETING – February 28, 2017  

Notice of Meeting  
This meeting, held in Aldene School gymnasium/auditorium, is an open session of the Roselle Park Board of Education held under the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey. Notice of this meeting was sent to the Star Ledger, Union Leader, the Home News Tribune, the borough clerk, school offices, and district website. The Board shall open this meeting in public session and immediately adjourn to executive session. The Board shall return to public session at approximately 7:00 p.m.  

Roll Call  
President Miller Kimberly Powers  
Vice President Harms Sundjata Sekou (arrived 6:53)  
Rodric Bowman Joseph Signorello, Jr.  
Kevin Cancino Jeofrey Vita (arrived 6:44)  
Troy Gerten  
Pedro Garrido, Superintendent of Schools  
Susan Guercio, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Jennifer Osborne, Board Attorney  

Flag Salute  

Resolution – Executive Session  
RESOLVED, That the Roselle Park Board of Education meeting hereby convenes to executive session for discussion of the following subjects:  

1. Student Matters – the Board conducted a residency hearing  
2. Negotiations – R.P.A.A. and RPBOE – the Chair of the Negotiations Committee provided the Board with an update on the collective bargaining negotiations between the Board and the RPAA.  

It is anticipated that the executive session will take approximately 60 minutes; the Board may take action during public session. The Board shall return to public session, following executive session, at approximately 7 p.m. The minutes of the executive session shall be released to the public when the reason for the executive session no longer exists.  

Moved: Mr. Cancino  
Seconded: Vice President Harms  
Time: 6:05PM  
AYE: 7  
NAY: 0  

Motion to return to public session (to be moved in public session)  
Moved: Vice President Harms  
Seconded: Mr. Signorello  
Time: 7:40PM  
AYE: 9  
NAY: 0  


Public Participation – 7:00 PM – Agenda Items Only
Each member of the public may speak a maximum of three minutes.

Jacob Magiera, 612 Sheridan Ave., questioned the door closure. President Miller explained tonight’s extenuating circumstances.

Saul Qersdyn, Berwyn St., questioned agenda items 1-8. Superintendent Garrido responded.

Committee Reports
Mr. Sekou reported on the Curriculum Meeting and the adoption of the new elementary Math Textbook series Envision 2.0. A presentation will be given at the April 4, 2017 board meeting.

Mr. Bowman reported on the Finance Committee meeting and announced the Public Budget Workshop on March 7, 2017.

Principal’s Report
Principal, Sloan Scully, talked about recent Aldene student activities and the workshops for teachers. Ms. Scully was proud to recognize some of the talented Aldene students and presented them with their certificates.

Student Recognition
The following students will be recognized for their artwork displayed at the NJPAC Art Exhibit:

Sofia Perez  Madelyn Kalkandis  Jason Burns
Catalina Quintela  Edha Gupta

The following students will be recognized for their display in the Union County Youth Art Month:

Edha Gupta  Julia Penn  Isabella Guzman-Tapia

The following students will be recognized for being finalists in the Union County Youth Art Month Design:

Rubi Santiago  Nira Patel

The following student will be recognized for being the Youth Art Month State Elementary Invitation Winner:

Rubi Santiago

The following students will be recognized for participating in the Morris-Union Jointure Commission Music Festival:

Marissa Colon  Leila Torres  Kylah Frazier
Samantha DaSilva  Julia Perez
Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent Garrido spoke of the ongoing district wide preparation for the 2017 PARCC testing. Also, he stated that Mr. Salvo will be at the April 4, 2017 board meeting with representatives from Pearson to give an update on Envision 2.0 that is aligned with the PARCC. Mr. Garrido reported on the parents’ concerns with the ECC and he will be have another meeting on March 16, 2017 to answer their additional questions. He also stated that the High School will be featured on the television show, NJ Close-Up, which will air on May 14 and June 11, 2017.

POLICY

A motion was made by Mr. Cancino and seconded by Vice President Harms to approve agenda items 1 through 7.

1. District Policy – Adopt

To approve the following LOCAL UNITS revised district policy:

1410 LOCAL UNITS

2. District Policy – Adopt

To approve the following NONDISCRIMINATION/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION revised district policy:

2224 NONDISCRIMINATION/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

3. District Policy – Adopt

To approve the following PAYMENT FOR GOODS AND SERVICES revised district policy:

3326 PAYMENT FOR GOODS AND SERVICES

4. District Policy – Second Reading

To approve the following USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES revised district policy: (second reading)

1330 USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES
POLICY continues

5. District Policy – Second Reading

To approve the following EMPLOYEE HEALTH revised district policy: (second reading)

4112.4/4212.4 EMPLOYEE HEALTH

6. District Policy – Second Reading

To approve the following SUPERVISION revised district policy: (second reading)

4115 SUPERVISION

7. District Policy – Second Reading

To approve the following STAFF DEVELOPMENT; INSERVICE EDUCATION/VISITATION/CONFERENCES revised district policy: (second reading)

4131/4131.1 STAFF DEVELOPMENT; INSERVICE EDUCATION/VISITATION/CONFERENCES

On roll call, motion carries
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PERSONNEL

Consent Agenda Motion – Personnel

A motion was made by Mr. Signorello seconded by Mr. Vita to approve the following agenda items 8 through 13.

8. District Substitutes

Approval of additional district substitutes. (as recommended by the Superintendent)

NJ Certified Teachers-$100/day, Sub Certified-$95/day, Custodians-$13/hr., Bus Driver-$32/hr.

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9. Staff Resignations

To accept the following resignations: (as recommended by the Superintendent)


b. Tiffany Bain, HS, Gay Straight Alliance Club Co-Advisor, effective February 14, 2017

c. Stacy Feszchak, MS, Music Teacher, effective April 17, 2017

10. Staff Appointments

To appoint the following staff: (as recommended by the Superintendent)

(as per RPEA contract)

a. Robert Tholen, Academy, Interim Director, effective March 22, 2017 through May 27, 2017, $350.00 per/diem (mat leave) (repl. F. Witkowski)

b. Kellie Grochocki, Middle School, Mathematics Teacher, effective April 18, 2017 through June 30, 2017 at B1, $55,165 (pro-rated) (mat. leave) (repl. J. Nevitt)
11. **Additional WISE “Energize with Math” Personnel**

To appoint the following WISE “Energize with Math” personnel at $14.89 per hour: (as recommended by the Superintendent) (as per RPEA contract) (January – April 2017)

- Paraprofessional $14.89/hr.  
  EJF - Aldene - Susanna McNamara

- Teacher $34.83/hr.  
  EJF - Aldene – Judy Nese

12. **Additional High School Extra-Curricular Advisor 2016-2017**

To approve the following extra-curricular advisor: (as recommended by the Superintendent) (as per RPEA contract)

- Valentine Arango  
  People of Color Alliance Club Advisor  
  Volunteer

13. **High School Extra-Curricular Coaches 2016-2017**

To approve the following high school extra-curricular coaches for the 2016-2017 school year: (as recommended by the Superintendent) (as per RPEA contract except where noted *volunteer)

- HS Asst. Track Coach  
  Peter Pascarella  
  5-1  
  $4,826

- MS Asst. Track Coach  
  Staci Hartzler  
  2-1  
  $2,880

- John Ranieri  
  7-1  
  $3,415

- Volunteer Golf Coach  
  Ryan Flatley  
  Volunteer

On roll call, motion carries
A motion was made by Mr. Sekou seconded by Mr. Bowman to approve the following agenda items numbered 14 through 18.

14. **Education Programs**

To approve the following education program(s) for the 2016-2017 school year:

**Psychological Evaluation**
- #92 Sylvia Martins-Neno $450
- #94 Sylvia Martins-Neno $450

**Bilingual Child Study Education Evaluation**
- #93 Isabel Guarino $400

**Psychiatric Evaluation**
- #95 Dr. R. Christopher Stucky $400

15. **Educational Trip Requests**

To approve the following district educational trip requests:

a. Clark Commons, Clark March 2, 2017 HS Self-Contained
   Students will participate in a shopping outing to meet CBI goals.

b. Shoprite, Garwood April 21, 2017 HS Self-Contained
   Students will participate in a shopping & cooking meals outing to meet CBI goals.

c. Montclair Art Museum, Montclair May 5, 2017 HS Self-Contained
   Students will study famous painters.

d. Cherry Hill East HS, Cherry Hill March 4, 2017 Grades 9-12
   Students will participate in the State Robotics Competition

16. **Harassment/Intimidation/Bullying Incidents**

To affirm the Superintendent’s recommendation on the following harassment/intimidation/bullying incidents: (December 2016, January 2017)

#16011, #16012, #16013, #16014, #16015, #16016, #16017, #16018
17. **Workshop Attendance Request**

To approve the following staff workshop attendance request:

Loretta Smith Hardy  NJTESOL Spring Conference, Hyatt Regency, New Brunswick, May 31-June 1, 2017, $279.00

18. **ESY Program 2017**

Approval to operate an Extended School Year Program 2017(ESY) (as per students’ IEP’s)

Effective: June 26-July 27, 2017  4 days/wk, 4.0 hrs/day (Mon.-Thur.)  
(8:30AM-12:30PM) (no program July 3 & 4)

June 26-July 27, 2017  4 days/wk, 2.5 hrs/day (Mon.-Thur.)  
(8:30AM-11:00AM) (no program July 3 & 4)

Motion carries

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BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mr. Signorello seconded by Vice President Harms to approve the following agenda items 19 through 27.

19. **Monthly Certification**

A. Board Secretary's Monthly Certification, Budgetary Line Item Status

Pursuant to **N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(d)**, I certify that as of January 31, 2017 no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education pursuant to **N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and 18:22-8.1**

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Board Secretary Date

B. Board of Education's Monthly Certification, Budgetary Major Account/Fund Status

Pursuant to **N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e)**, we certify that as of January 31, 2017 after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials that to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of **N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(b)** and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. This certification is solely based on the information provided by the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and is assumed by the board to be correct.
20. **Approval of Minutes**

To approve the following minutes:

February 7, 2017 open session February 7, 2017 closed session

21. **Secretary/Treasurers Report**

To approve the secretary/treasurer reports for the periods ending November 30, 2016 and December 31, 2016.

22. **Use of Buildings and Grounds**

To approve the following use of buildings and grounds (appropriate fees to be charged where applicable):

a. Roselle Park Recreational Basketball – Games  
   Roselle Park Middle School - gymnasium  
   Monday-Friday, March 1-29, 2017 (except March 23 & 24)  
   6:00PM – 9:00PM

b. Roselle Park PTA – Mr. Roselle Park  
   Roselle Park High School – auditorium  
   Thursday, May 11, 2017  
   6:00PM – 9:00PM

c. Roselle Park PTSA – Zumba Fundraiser  
   Roselle Park High School – students’ cafeteria  
   Wednesday, March 8, 2017  
   6:00PM – 9:00PM

d. Roselle Park Middle School PTA – Movie Night  
   Roselle Park Middle School, Herm Shaw Field – auditorium, sound equipment, stage, gymnasium, projector  
   Friday, March 24, 2017  
   5:00PM – 10:00
23. **Approval of Bills**

To approve the following bills for the month of February 2017:

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24. **Aldene School Addition and Renovations**

Whereas, The Board of Education of Roselle Park in the County of Union, New Jersey (the “Board”), desires to proceed with a school facilities project consisting generally of

CLASSROOM ADDITION AND RENOVATIONS AT ERNEST J. FINIZIO, JR. ALDENE SCHOOL

Whereas, the Board now seeks to take the initial steps in order to proceed with the Project:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ROSELLE PARK IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

Section 1. In accordance with the requirements of Section 6A:26–3 of the New Jersey Administrative Code, the Board hereby approves the Educational Specifications prepared in connection with the project and the Board further authorizes the submission of same to the Union County Superintendent of Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education for approval.

Section 2. In accordance with the requirements of Section 6A:26-3 of the New Jersey Administrative Code, the Board hereby approves the Schematic Plans prepared in connection with the Project and the Board further authorizes the submission of same to the Union County Superintendent of Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education for approval. The Board further authorizes the submission of the Schematic Plans to the Municipal planning board for its review. This project is designated as a “Other Capital” project and the Board is not seeking state funding.

Section 3. The Board hereby authorizes the amendment to its Long-Range Facilities Plan in order to reflect the proposed Project.

Section 4. The School Administration and such other officers and agents of the Board as are necessary, including the Board attorney, bond counsel and architect, are hereby authorized to perform such other acts, to execute such other documents and to do such other things as are necessary to implement the determinations of the Board set forth in this resolution. Including the submission of Information to the New Jersey Department of Education as applicable to the proposed Project.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.
25. **High School Steam Classroom Renovations**

Whereas, The Board of Education of Roselle Park in the County of Union, New Jersey (the “Board”), desires to proceed with a school facilities project consisting generally of:

STEAM CLASSROOM RENOVATIONS AT ROSELLE PARK HIGH SCHOOL

Whereas, the Board now seeks to take the initial steps in order to proceed with the Project:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ROSELLE PARK IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

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Section 3. The Board hereby authorizes the amendment to its Long-Range Facilities Plan in order to reflect the proposed Project.

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Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.
26. **Middle School Steam Classroom Renovations**

Whereas, The Board of Education of Roselle Park in the County of Union, New Jersey (the “Board”), desires to proceed with a school facilities project consisting generally of:

**STEAM CLASSROOM RENOVATIONS AT ROSELLE PARK MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Whereas, the Board now seeks to take the initial steps in order to proceed with the Project:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ROSELLE PARK IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

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Section 3. The Board hereby authorizes the amendment to its Long-Range Facilities Plan in order to reflect the proposed Project.

Section 4. The School Administration and such other officers and agents of the Board as are necessary, including the Board attorney, bond counsel and architect, are hereby authorized to perform such other acts, to execute such other documents and to do such other things as are necessary to implement the determinations of the Board set forth in this resolution. Including the submission of Information to the New Jersey Department of Education as applicable to the proposed Project.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.
27. **High School Field Lighting Replacement**

Whereas, The Board of Education of Roselle Park in the County of Union, New Jersey (the “Board”), desires to proceed with a school facilities project consisting generally of:

FIELD LIGHTING REPLACEMENT AT ROSELLE PARK HIGH SCHOOL

Whereas, the Board now seeks to take the initial steps in order to proceed with the Project:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ROSELLE PARK IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, as follows:

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Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Mr. Gerten abstains from agenda items #24, #25, #26, #27
Motion carries
A motion was made by Vice President Harms seconded by Mr. Cancino to approve the following agenda item 28.

28. *Roselle Park Administrators Association Contract Resolution*

*BE IT RESOLVED*, that the Roselle Park Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Negotiations Committee, hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement, Salary Guides, and the terms contained therein, that have been approved by the Roselle Park Administrators Association for the years 2016-2019, based upon proofreading and correction of any typographical errors and other incidental omissions and errors as agreed upon by the parties.

Mr. Signorello abstains
On roll call, motion carries

Public Participation

*Each member of the public may speak a maximum of three minutes.*

Rob Domanski, parent of an ECC student, spoke about his concern with the proposed change. Mr. Bowman responded.

Jacob Magiera, questioned the Board of Education dates on the high school bulletin board. Board Vice President Harms responded.

Saul Qersdyn, questioned if the State Aid Figures were released yet and requested early release of workshop materials. Business Administrator Guercio responded.
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Resolution – Executive Session (if required)
RESOLVED, That the Roselle Park Board of Education meeting hereby convenes to executive session for discussion of the following subjects: Attorney/Client Privilege: 430 Westfield Ave.

It is anticipated that the executive session will take approximately 45 minutes; the Board may take action when it reconvenes to public session; and the minutes of the executive session shall be released to the public when the reason for the executive session no longer exists.

Closed Session
Motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel matters or other exceptions to the sunshine law as follows: (no action will be taken)

1. Any matter considered confidential by federal law, state statute, or court rule;
2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair the receipt of federal funds;
3. Any material which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy if disclosed;
4. Any collective bargaining agreements;
5. Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds;
6. Any tactics and techniques used in protecting the safety and property of the public;
7. Any pending or anticipated litigation;
8. Personnel matters related to the employment, appointment or termination of current or prospective employees.

Moved: Vice President Harms            Seconded: Mr. Bowman
AYE: 9                                NAY: 0
Time: 8:27PM

Attorney/Client Privilege: the Board attorney provided legal guidance on the matter.
Note: Dennis McKeever, Esq. was present for the second executive session.

Motion to return to open session.
Moved: Vice President Harms            Seconded: Mr. Harms
AYE: 9                                NAY: 0
Time: 9:05PM

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A motion was made by Mr. Cancino seconded by Mr. Signorello to approve the following agenda item 29. President Miller reads a public statement regarding settlement agreement.

29. Settlement Agreement

The Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Settlement Agreement and Release between the Board and 430 Westfield Ave., LLC.

On roll call, motion carries

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Gerten seconded by Mr. Sekou to adjourn the meeting at 9:20PM

Motion all aye

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Guercio
School Business Administrator
Board Secretary

Next scheduled board meeting: March 7, 2017 – Sherman gymnasium/auditorium - 7:00 PM