

FINAL SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 28, 2012
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

There was a Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education on Tuesday, February 28, 2012, at 6:32 p.m. in the Memorial High School Teachers Room. Present were: Keith Cannizzo, Douglas DeMatteo, Louise Gerardi, Arlene Rudmann, Sandra Balistrieri, Lori Sproviero, and Claire Kalinowski. Jennifer Pellegrine arrived and was seated at 6:46 p.m. Kathleen Policano was absent from the meeting. Also present were Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/Business Administrator, members of the public, and Patricia Otten, Confidential Executive Secretary, for the taking of minutes.

The Work Meeting was opened to the public at 7:40 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>
Robert Coletti	Councilman	Commended board on refinancing bond; Comments on possible revision of transportation policy; Suggested looking into railroad track situation; Questions enrolment figures; Finds cuts are very difficult.
Jeanne Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Discussed general feelings of public when revised transportation policy is introduced.
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Comments on transportation.

After the review of the agenda and public portion of the meeting, Mr. Moffitt advised the public that the board would enter into closed session for approximately one hour to discuss harassment, intimidation and bullying cases, personnel and litigation. He advised that he would notify the public when they could return to the meeting. By motion of Mr. Cannizzo, which was seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, and unanimously approved by those present, the board entered into closed session at 7:40 p.m. By motion of Mr. Cannizzo, which was seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, the board adjourned from closed session at 8:05 p.m. 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, February 28, 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 8:11 p.m. in the Memorial High School Media Center. Present were: Keith Cannizzo, Douglas DeMatteo, Louise Gerardi, Jennifer Pellegrine, Arlene Rudmann, Lori Sproviero, Sandra Balistrieri and Claire Kalinowski. Kathleen Policano was absent from the meeting. Also present were Dr.

Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/Business Administrator, David Saper, Principal Gilbert Avenue School, David Warner, Principal, Memorial High School, Caleb Rhodes, Assistant Principal, Memorial High School, members of the public, Lisa Gorab, Esq., Bond Counsel, Patricia Otten, Confidential Executive Secretary, for the taking of minutes, and Moises Cordero, Assistant Director of Technology, to assist with power point presentation.

After the flag salute, the reading of the Statement of Compliance was incorporated. “The February Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education is scheduled for Tuesday, February 28, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial High School Teachers Faculty Room. The Regular February action meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education is scheduled for Tuesday, February 28, 2012, at 8 p.m. in the Memorial High School Media Center...”

Lisa Gorab, Esq. Bond Counsel, gave a presentation on the refinancing of the bond on the evening’s agenda for approval, which would result in a estimated savings of \$780,000 to the district.

Dr. Richard Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, indicated that there were two policies on the evening’s agenda. The revised transportation policy 8600 was on for a first reading, and the second reading would be at the March Regular Meeting. The revised policy 8600 changes the hazardous busing policy for K through five to beyond 2.1 miles and Grades 6-8 to 2.1 miles, and Grades 9-12 to 2.6 miles. The other was for a first and second reading of a new policy 5516, Use of Electronic Communication and Recording Devices.

The meeting was opened to the public at 8:25 p.m. and closed to the public at 9:08 p.m. The following individuals addressed the board:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Gladys Gryskiewicz	256 Fencsak Avenue	Comments on iPad purchase; Comments on changes to busing policy notifying public.
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Suggested rewording the transportation policy in regard to distances.
Paul Forlai	Resident	Comments in regard to the budget timelines and the decision to eliminate transportation.
Brenda Bazzone	116 Mill Street	Comments in regard to how many families were going to be affected by the transportation policy change; Made comments on traffic conditions with revised transportation policy; Comments in regard to extra curriculum activities and iPads.

Sr. Lovely Ali	Resident	Objected to elimination of courtesy; Commented on current transportation issues.
Gladys Gryskiewicz	256 Fencsak Avenue	Comments in regard to additional state funds; Comments in regard to Educational Consultant on agenda.
Daniel Golabek	74 Godwin Avenue	Comments on enrollment and transportation policy and Educational Consultant on agenda.
Paul Forlai	Resident	Comments on Nursing Plan on agenda.
Victor M.	Student	Comments in regard to transportation policy on agenda and current transportation issues.

The meeting was opened to the public at 9:18 p.m. and closed to the public at 10:17 p.m. p.m.
The following individuals addressed the board:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Paul Forlai	Resident	Comments in regard to general fund deficit presented in local newspaper.
Daniel Golabek	74 Godwin Avenue	Comments on movement of Physical Education teacher to elementary school; Comments on iPads; Comments on budget; Commented on need for more guidance counselors in Middle/ High School; Comments on termination of coaches; Indicated he thought moving elections was a good idea.
Paul Forlai	Resident	Comment in regard to deficit.
Gladys Gryskiewicz	256 Fencsak Avenue	Comment in regard to general fund deficit.

Brenda Bazzone	116 Mill Street	Requested public notification on transportation before next board meeting.
Victor M.	Student	Comments in regard to automatic phone system; Comments in regard to needed repairs at Gilbert Avenue School
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Comments on item L1 on agenda; Comments on report as related to deficit reported in local newspaper.
Miles Garvey	Recreation Dept.	Reported that the meeting with Board of Education members and Recreation Department was successful; Comments in regard to loss of busing; Commented that at the Board of Recreation meeting there was discussion of possibly appointing of liaison to board.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS – Students of the Month
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Dr. Richard D. Tomko, 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, 2012.

GILBERT AVENUE SCHOOL STUDENT NAME GRADE

Angelique Ong	K
George Oshiro	K
Paige Roberts	K
Alexander Hlawacz	1
Matthew Nieradka	1
Steven Mitanoski	1
Karol Konior	2
Sofia Dimoska	2
Matthew Orzechowski	3
Sara Baumgartner	3
Maria McLoughlin	4
Angelica Sammy	4
Natalie Krupa	5
Jonathan Ramirez	5

GANTNER AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

Nicolas Rudnicki	Pre-K
Stanislaw Soliwada	K
Anthony Mitanoski	K
Anthony DiGrande	1
William Mulligan	1
Nicole D'Andrea	2
Armando Caraballo	2
Gianluca Maisano	2 & 3
Khushi Gandhi	3
Mina Sonmez	3
Hailey Zirpoli	3 & 4
Ali Suiafan	4
Stephen Rivera	4
Yusra AlTarique	5
Diane Bednar	5
Ashley Quinones	5

SIXTEENTH AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAMEGRADE

Aidan Pagan	Pre-K
Michael Davis	K-1
Michael Pineda	K – 2
Kamren Jeffreys	K
Christopher Jo	K
Diamond Harris-Drakeford	K
Zoey Cooke	1
Andy Lin	1
Selina Chen	1
Ahmet Gunes	2 – 4
Deno Valenti	2
Angela Castillo	2
Melannie Martinez	2
Layla Holley	3
John Manghir	3
Jorge Quinto	3
Gabriella Biskup	4
Pedro Abreu	4
Justin Abreu	4
Mansi Sanghvi	5
Tanmay Patel	5

MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT NAME GRADE

Ryan Fakhoury	6
Anthony Gadaleta	7
Najira Ahmed	8

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT NAME GRADE

Matthew McLouglin	9
Sabrina Zafar	10
Mobinuddin Ahmad	11
Christy Kuriakos	12

1. PERSONNEL

A. EMPLOYMENT

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving personnel action resolutions PA1 through PA2.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the appointment of **Ms. Ruth Paez**, 228 Schuyler Avenue, Pompton Lakes, NJ 07442 as a Maternity Leave Replacement at Memorial Middle School, at a per diem rate based on BA Step 1, \$43,772 for 2011/2012 school year, effective February 29, 2012 through June 1, 2012.
- 2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the appointment of **Mr. Joseph Hulbert**, 14 Birch Road, Pompton Plains, NJ 07444 as an educational consultant at Memorial Middle/High School, not to exceed 24 hours per week at an hourly rate of \$67/hour, beginning February 29, 2012. (*Salary to be paid using Title I federal grant monies*)

B. RESIGNATION

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Balistrieri, approving personnel action resolution PB1 through PB5.

Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education **accept** the letter of resignation from **Ms. Rachel Mina**, One-to-One Aide at the Middle School, for the 2011/2012 school year, effective February 17, 2012.
- 2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education **accept** the letter of resignation from **Ms. Theresa Beaugrand**, Classroom Aide at Gilbert Avenue School, for the 2011/2012 school year, effective February 8, 2012.
- 3) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education **accept** the letter of resignation from **Ms. Angela Cividanes**, Classroom Aide at Gilbert Avenue School, for the 2011/2012 school year, effective March 2, 2012.
- 4) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education **accept** the letter of resignation from **Ms. Tyler Piccirillo**, Classroom Aide at Sixteenth Avenue School, for the 2011/2012 school year, effective March 9, 2012.
- 5) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education **accept** the letter of resignation from **Ms. Brianna Jeffers**, Maternity Leave Replacement, for the 2011/2012 school year, effective February 13, 2012.

C. RETIREMENT

N/A

D. COACHES/STIPEND

N/A

E. APPOINTMENT of AIDES

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving personnel action resolution PE1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

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

NAME	POSITION	UPC#	SALARY	LOCATION
Tara DePascale	Classroom Instructional Aide	AIDE.04.PRSD.NA.01	\$13.50/HR	Sixteenth Avenue School
Arvie Justiniano	Classroom Instructional Aide	AIDE.04.AUST.NA.01	\$13.50/HR	Sixteenth Avenue School

F. SUBSTITUTES

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Rudmann, approving personnel action resolutions PF1 through PO.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

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

Walid Suiafan
5 Rena Court
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

Jaclyn Moriarty
306 Lincoln Avenue
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

Zainab Shafi
22 A Garden Drive
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

Natasha Patel
729 Boulevard
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

Sadie Salazar
1175 Cedar Lane #2
Secaucus, NJ 07094

Kaitlyn Gianni
253 Springfield Avenue
Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604

Maheen Ahmad
13 B Garden Drive
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

G. TRANSFER

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *transfer* of **Ms. Jaime Dopozo**, Physical Education Teacher at the High School to a Physical Education Teacher at the Elementary Schools, effective February 29, 2012 through June 30, 2012.
- 2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of School, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *transfer* of **Ms. Justine Raineri**, One-to-One Aide at Sixteenth Avenue School to a Classroom Aide at the Middle School effective February 13, 2012 through June 30, 2012.
- 3) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of School, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *transfer* of **Ms. Kori Meerholz**, Classroom Aide at the Middle School to a One-to-One Aide at Sixteenth Avenue School effective February 13, 2012 through June 30, 2012.
- 4) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the *transfer* of **Ms. Gale Gatto**, 35 Henry Street, Moonachie, NJ 07074 from 10-month secretary to Executive 12-month Secretary to the High School Principal at Memorial High School, on step 8, at a salary of \$45,566 pro-rated for the 2011/2012 school year, effective February 29, 2012 through June 30, 2012.

H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *movement on guide* for **Ms. Nicole Sharkey**, special education teacher at Gilbert Avenue School, from MA, Step 2 - \$48,372, to MA+30, Step 2 - \$51,522, effective January 1, 2012.
- 2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *movement on guide* for **Ms. Pamela Longaker**, math teacher at Memorial Middle School, from BA, Step 10 - \$58,772, to BA + 15, Step 10 - \$60,522, effective February 6, 2012.
- 3) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *movement on guide* for **Ms. Carmelina Buffa**, language arts teacher at Memorial Middle School, from BA, Step 7 - \$53,772, to BA + 15, Step 7 - \$54,272 effective February 6, 2012.

I. VOLUNTEER

1)

Name	Position	Location	Effective Date
Jessica Gibson	CARE Aide	Gilbert Avenue School	2011/2012 School Year

NOTE: This appointment does 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 Education.

J. FMLA/MATERNITY LEAVE/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm /approve *Maternity/Disability*, for *Ms. Karin Toscano*, at Gantner Avenue School, from May 14, 2012 through September 1, 2012.
- 2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *Intermittent Family Leave*, for *Ms. Jessica Hanke-Downes*, from January 27, 2012 to June 30, 2012.

K. 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	Substitute Required	Activity	Location	Cost
Kathleen Cash	School Psychologist	March 13, 2012	No	Basic Sign Language for Educators	Paramus, NJ	No
Lisa Acinapura	School Social Worker	March 13, 2012	No	Basic Sign Language for Educators	Paramus, NJ	No
Joseph Colangelo	Supervisor of Athletics/Physical Education	March 13 & 14, 2012	No	Athletic Director's Convention	Atlantic City, NJ	No

L. STUDENT TEACHING OBSERVATION/PRACTICUM

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

Name	School	From	To	Teacher	Subject
Danielle Matijakovich	Sixteenth Avenue	September 2012	December 14, 2012	Ms. Cassidy	Grade 1

M. PARAPROFESSIONALS

N/A

N. EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

N/A

O. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

N/A

2. <u>STUDENTS</u>

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving student action resolutions S1, S2, and S3.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

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

3. GENERAL

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mr. Cannizzo, approving general action resolutions G1 through G6.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

- G1. 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:

SADD Movie Night
Wednesday, March 14, 2012
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
High School Media Center
Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD)
Ms. Merhab, Ms. LaCognata

Dessert/Music Show
Saturday, May 5, 2012
7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
High School Auditorium
Elmwood Park High School Italian Club
Mr. Caramagna

SADD Spring Regional Conference Field Trip
DCH Corp. Office, 955 Route 9 North, South Amboy, NJ
Thursday, February 16, 2012
9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
SADD Student Officers
Ms. Merhab, Ms. LaCognata

- G2. 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:

The Roots Program
September 2012 – June 2013
Three 30-minute surveys
Grades 6 – 8
Ms. Leva

- G3. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *Special Education Monitoring Report IDEA 2004 and New Jersey Administrative Code Requirements* request for the 2011-2012 school year.
- G4. 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:

5th Grade Breakfast and Yearbook Signing
 Art Room #6
 Thursday, June 14, 2012
 9:30 a.m. -11:00 a.m.
 Grade 5 Committee
 Mrs. Anna Sirianni, Ms. Sabina Reeves

Sterling Hill Mining Museum Field Trip
 Ogdensburg, NJ
 Monday, March 12, 2012
 9:15 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
 Third Grade Students
 Ms. Sporillo, Ms. Vandermast, Ms. Toscano

NJ Children’s Museum Field Trip
 599 Valley Health Plaza, Paramus, NJ
 Thursday, March 8, 2012
 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
 Pre K and Kindergarten students
 Mrs. Burniston, Mrs. Cannata

Read Across America
 Gantner, Gilbert, Sixteenth Avenue Schools
 Monday – Friday, March 5 – 9, 2012
 K-5
 Principals

- G5. 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:

NJ Children’s Museum Field Trip
 599 Valley Health Plaza, Paramus, NJ
 Thursday, March 15, 2012
 9:30 a.m. –2:00 p.m.
 Kindergarten Students
 Kindergarten Teachers

- G6. 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:

Omega-Man Assembly
16th Avenue Gym
Thursday, April 5, 2012
9:30 a.m.
PreK – Grade 5
Mr. Silla, All Teachers

“Save the Sea Turtle” Fundraiser
16th Avenue School
Thursday, March 1, 2012 – Friday, March 2, 2012
Kindergarten and Grade 1 Students
Grade 1 Teachers

Computers For Education Fundraiser
16th Avenue School
Monday, February 27, 2012
PreK – Grade 5
Mr. Silla, Sixteenth Avenue PTO

4. BUSINESS

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Balistrieri, approving action resolutions M1 and M2.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

M. Approval of Minutes

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

Regular Meeting - **December 20, 2011**

M2. BE IT RESOLVED: that the minutes of the following meeting be approved:

Regular Meeting - **January 24, 2012**

F. Financial

F1a & b Financial Report –N/A

F2. Confirmation of Bills and Warrants – 2011-2012

Motion of Ms. Pellegrine, Seconded by Mr. Cannizzo, approving financial action resolutions F2 and F3.

Vote: The above motion was carried by a vote of seven (7) ayes and one (1) nay (Mr. DeMatteo). Mrs. Balistrieri recused herself from the vote on checks nos. 108009, 108344, and 108617 in item F3. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

BE IT RESOLVED: that, based upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the bills payable February 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 January 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 January 2012.

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

BG. Business General

BG1. Use of Facilities - Approvals

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Rudmann, approving business general action resolution BG1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

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.

Item BG2 was withdrawn by the board secretary before it was moved or seconded. It read as follows:

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 Ms. Pellegrine, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving harassment, intimidation and bullying action resolutions H1 through H13.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

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

L. Legal

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Sproviero, approving legal action resolutions L1 through L4.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

L1. Rescind Approval for Early Tenure

BE IT RESOLVED: that, the Elmwood Park Board of Education does hereby rescind the granting of early tenure for secretarial employees with a minimum three months of service passed affirmatively on February 22, 2011.

L2. Change in Use Approval

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves a temporary facility use to accommodate the needs of individual students as a result of an expansion in special education instruction at Sixteenth Avenue Elementary School.

L3. Change in Use Approval

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby approves a change in use of three (3) offices in the 16th Avenue Board Offices to three (3) SGI Rooms.

L4. Approval of Refunding Bond Ordinance

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education hereby adopts the Refunding Bond Ordinance and authorizes the Board Secretary and Board President to take appropriate action to execute documents, in consultation with bond counsel, to carry out refunding of school bonds.

Adoption of Policies and Regulations

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

Vote: The above motion was carried by a vote of six (6) ayes and two (2) nays (Mrs. Rudmann, Mrs. Balistrieri). Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

A1. First Reading of Policy

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

Policy 8600 Transportation

A2. First and Second Reading of Policy

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving first and second reading of policy action resolution A2.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

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

Policy 5516 Use of Electronic Communication and Recording Devices (ECDR)

Addendum 1

1. PERSONNEL

B. RESIGNATION

Motion of Mr. DeMatteo, Seconded by Mrs. Sproviero, approving addendum personnel action resolutions PB6 through PP1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present with the exception that Mrs. Balistrieri recused herself from the vote on M1 since it related to a family member. Mrs. Policano was absent form the meeting,

- 6) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *accept* the letter of resignation from Ms. Nicole Pacifico, Classroom Aide at Sixteenth Avenue School, for the 2011/2012 school year, effective April 6, 2012.

D. COACHES/STIPEND

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

Name	Position	UPC#	Salary	Location	Effective Date
Teri Giumarra	Middle School Track Advisor	072-11	\$881	Memorial Middle School	2011 – 2012 School Year
Michael Farrington	Assistant Track Coach	039-02	Step 4 - \$6,328	Memorial High School	2011 – 2012 School Year
Danielle Cibelli	Assistant Softball Coach	037-03	Step 4 - \$6,328	Memorial High School	2011 – 2012 School Year
Jessica Miller	Musical Conductor Advisor	061-03	Step 3 - \$3,072	Memorial High School	2011 – 2012 School Year
Jessica Miller	Musical Conductor Advisor	061-13	Step 3 - \$3,072	Memorial Middle School	2011 – 2012 School Year

E. APPOINTMENT of AIDES

- 2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *appointment* of the following aide(s) at Sixteenth Avenue School for the 2011/2012 school year:

NAME	POSITION	UPC#	SALARY	LOCATION
Joseph Montone	Classroom Instructional Aide	AIDE.04.PRSD.NA.01	\$13.50 (Hour)	Sixteenth Avenue School

3)

NAME	POSITION	UPC#	SALARY	LOCATION
Soham Patel	One to One Aide	AIDE.04.1TO1.NA.14	\$13.50 (Hour)	Sixteenth Avenue School
Jessica Goregoitia	Classroom Instructional Aide	AIDE.11.1TO1.NA.01 (Transferring UPC to 16 th)	\$13.50 (Hour)	Sixteenth Avenue School

G. TRANSFER

- 5) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the appointment/*transfer* of *Ms. Denise Ingui*, 333 Falmouth Avenue, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407 from a One to One Aide at Gantner Avenue School to a 12-Month Secretary at Memorial High School, on Step 1, at a salary of \$32,017 pro-rated for the 2011/2012 school year, effective February 29, 2012 through June 30, 2012.

H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

- 4) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve **movement on guide** for **Ms. Karen Georgiadis**, social studies teacher at Memorial High School, from BA + 30, Step 6 - \$54,522, to MA, Step 6 - \$55,522, effective January 1, 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
Joseph Paladino	School Social Worker	March 9, 2012	No	Grief Therapy	Saddle Brook, NJ	No
Lisa Higbie	Art Teacher	March 1, 2012	Yes	NAEA National Convention	New York, NY	No

L. STUDENT TEACHING OBSERVATION/PRACTICUM

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

Name	School	From	To	Teacher	Subject
Amanda Borzilleri	Sixteenth Avenue	March 5, 2012	April 27, 2012	Ms. Lorenc-Lach	ESL

M. PARAPROFESSIONALS

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

Name	Position	Effective Date
Thomas Balistrieri	Softball	2011 - 2012 School Year
Jessica Didyk	Track	2011 - 2012 School Year
Nicole Thompson	Track	2011 - 2012 School Year
Scott Wisniewski	Track	2011 - 2012 School Year

P. GENERAL

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education **confirm/approve** Employee #4287 to submit a physical examination by the district's school physician.

GENERAL

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mr. DeMatteo, approving general action resolutions G7 through G10.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

- G7. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request from Ms. Andrea Selvaggi, Director of Curriculum, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Peer Leadership Middle School Buddy Program
High School Guidance Suite
1 period per week
Monday, March 12, 2012 – Friday, April 27, 2012
All High School Peer Leaders and select Middle School Students
Ms. Leva, Ms. Spence

- G8. 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:

Hoops for Heart Basketball Fundraiser
Middle School Gym
8:05 a.m. – 2:40 p.m.
Thursday, March 1, 2012
Students in Grades 6 - 8
Mrs. Lehansky

- G9. 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:

Assembly Program on Peer Pressure, Risk-taking and Traffic Safety
Guest Speaker Cara Filler
High School Auditorium
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, March 20, 2012
Students in Grades 9-12
Ms. Lacognata

- G10. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *Elmwood Park Public School District Nursing Plan* for the 2011-2012 school year.

Addendum 2

1. PERSONNEL

K. WORKSHOP/TRAINING

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mr. DeMatteo, approving personnel action resolution PK3.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mrs. Policano was absent from the meeting.

- 3) 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
Andrea Selvaggi	Director of Curriculum & Instruction	March 14 & 27, 2012	No	Writing LAL Curriculum - 4 th Grade	Paramus, NJ	No
Robin Pollack	4 th Grade Teacher	March 14 & 27, 2012	Yes	Writing LAL Curriculum - 4 th Grade	Paramus, NJ	No
Danielle Sharples	4 th Grade Teacher	March 14 & 27, 2012	Yes	Writing LAL Curriculum - 4 th Grade	Paramus, NJ	No
Toni-Mistretta-Clark	4 th Grade Teacher	March 14 & 27, 2012	Yes	Writing LAL Curriculum - 4 th Grade	Paramus, NJ	No

By motion of Mrs. Sproviero, which was seconded by Mr. DeMatteo, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

I hereby certify these final summary minutes of the meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education in session on Tuesday, February 24, 2012, to be true and correct and in complete agreement with the official Minute Book of the Board of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

William P. Moffitt
Board Secretary