

ROOSEVELT BOARD OF EDUCATION

ROOSEVELT, NJ 08555

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Thursday, March 16, 2023 – 6:00 pm

Roosevelt Public School

Regular Meeting

MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of the Roosevelt Public School district is to educate and inspire all students to become life-long learners who value themselves, others and their environment.

Board Goals: 2022-2023

1. Continue to explore options to ensure the future of Roosevelt Public School and develop a framework and plan.
2. Create on-boarding training and succession planning for the Board of Education.
3. Review and revise policies to ensure they reflect current practices.

District Goals 2022-2023

1. Continue to impact student achievement by utilizing best practices and data-driven practices.
2. Continue to ensure dialogue with the community through outreach via a new Roosevelt School District website and by developing a process and procedure for maintaining the updated website.
3. Attend to the social and emotional needs of the Roosevelt students and staff.
4. Safety & Security - Promote and ensure a safe learning environment/facilities and practices.

**Roosevelt Public School
Roosevelt, New Jersey**

For the meeting of the Board of Education, Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

I. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

II. CALL TO ORDER

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law of 1975 was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, the Roosevelt Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted in the Roosevelt Post Office, Roosevelt Public School, and mailed to the Municipal Clerk, and the Asbury Park Press and the Trenton Times on January 11, 2023. The regular meeting of the Roosevelt Board of Education will be called to order on Thursday, March 16, 2023.

III. Roll Call

<i>MEMBERS</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Arrival</i>
Kenneth LeCompte, Pres.			
Daniel Leibowitz, V.P.			
Heather Giske			
Judith Goetzmann			
Leo Gordon			
Naylon Larane			
John Ord			
David Schembry			
Michael Ticktin			

Also Present:

Karen Barry, Chief School Administrator

Bernard Biesiada, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Leslie Ahern, Assistant Business Administrator

IV. **RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

WHEREAS, Chapter 231, PL. 1975, also known as the Open Public Meetings Act, authorizes a public body to meet in executive private session under certain limited circumstances, and,

WHEREAS, said law requires the Board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive or private session, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ROOSEVELT PUBLIC SCHOOL:

- A. That it does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive session on March 16, 2023:

Confidential Matters

- B. That the matters discussed will be made public if and when confidentiality is no longer required and action pursuant to said discussion would take place at a public meeting.

MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Kenneth LeCompte, Pres.			
Daniel Leibowitz, V.P.			
Heather Giske			
Judith Goetzmann			
Leo Gordon			
Naylon Larane			
John Ord			
David Schembry			
Michael Ticktin			
Voice Vote			

V. **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

- A. That the Board approve the minutes from the Board of Education meeting of February 23, 2023.

(Attachment 1)

Motion to approve:

MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Kenneth LeCompte, Pres.			
Daniel Leibowitz, V.P.			
Heather Giske			
Judith Goetzmann			
Leo Gordon			
Naylon Larane			
John Ord			
David Schembry			
Michael Ticktin			
Voice Vote			

B. Old Business

C. New Business

VI. **PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT**

- Next Board of Education meeting will be a regular meeting to be held on Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

VII. **PUBLIC COMMENTS AS PER BOARD BYLAW 0167**

- A. To permit the fair and orderly expression of comments we ask that:
 - 1. A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name, place of residence, and group affiliation, if appropriate;
 - 2. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to five minutes duration;
 - 3. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard;
 - 4. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question board members individually;
 - a. No colloquy between a participant and respondent shall extend the five minute time limit provided herein;
 - 5. The presiding officer may:
 - a. Interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's

- statement when the statement is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene or irrelevant;
- b. Request any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum;
- c. Request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the the orderly progress of the meeting;
- d. Call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action; and
- e. Waive these rules when necessary for the protection of privacy or the efficient administration of the Board's business.

VIII. **PRESENTATIONS**

- Budget Presentation Ms. Ahern

IX. **CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

A. Informational Items:

ATTENDANCE:

Staff: 86%
 Students: 93%

DRILLS:

Fire Drill: 2/10/23
 Lock Down: 2/23/23

B. Action Items:

HIB Report, February 2023

On the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board consider the following proposed motions:

1. That the Board approve the HIB Report for the month of February 2023.

(Attachment 2)

Motion to accept Chief School Administrator's report:

<i>MEMBERS</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>NO</i>	<i>ABSTAIN</i>
Kenneth LeCompte, Pres.			
Daniel Leibowitz, V.P.			
Heather Giske			
Judith Goetzmann			
Leo Gordon			
Naylon Larane			
John Ord			
David Schembry			
Michael Ticktin			
Roll Call Vote			

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. FINANCE and FACILITIES

Leo Gordon, Chairperson

1. Informational Items:

Meeting Date:

Old Business:

New Business:

2. Action Items:

- a. That the Board approve the payment of the following bills in the amounts listed and to attach a complete copy of these bills to the minutes of this meeting:

- i. Bills List for February 25, 2023 through March 13 2023 in the amount of \$115,510.90.

(Attachment 3)

- ii. February 2023 agency and manual checks in the amount of \$34,551.00.

(Attachment 4)

Board Secretary’s Certification:

“The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Bernard Biesiada certifies that no line item has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.”



Bernard Biesiada
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Payroll Certification:

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary reports, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:19-1b, certifies the February 2023 payroll in the amount of \$105,001.84 which includes \$7,603.59 representing the employer’s share of the TPAF Social Security.

- b. That the Board accept the Board Secretary report for the month of February 2023 and certification, after closure, and direct that it be attached to and made part of the minutes of this meeting.

(Attachment 5)

- c. That the Board accept the Chief School Administrators Certification for the financial reports for the month of February 2023, after closure, and direct that it be attached to and made part of the minutes of this meeting.

(Attachment 6)

- d. That the Board ratify the budget transfers as of February 2023.

(Attachment 7)

TENTATIVE BUDGET

The Superintendent recommends approval to adopt the Tentative Budget for FY 2023-2024:

BE IT RESOLVED that the tentative budget be approved for the 2022-2023 School Year using the 2023-2024 state aid figures and the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary be authorized to submit the following tentative budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Debt Service	TOTAL
2023-2024 Total Expenditures	\$3,166,689	\$21,854	\$62,256	\$3,250,799
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$1,315,187	\$21,854	\$17,124	\$1,354,165
Taxes to be Raised	\$1,851,502	\$0	\$45,132	\$1,896,634

And to advertise said tentative budget in the Asbury Park Press and Trenton Times in accordance with the form required by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held at the Roosevelt Borough Board of Education located at 2 School Lane, Roosevelt, New Jersey on April 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the budget for the 2023-2024 School Year.

Use of Banked Cap

BE IT RESOLVED that the Roosevelt Borough Board of Education includes in the proposed budget the adjustment for banked cap in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-10.1(b). The district has fully exhausted all eligible statutory spending authority and must increase the base budget in the amount of \$121,309 for the purpose of salaries. The district intends to complete said purposes by June 2024.

Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement 2023-2024

WHEREAS, the Roosevelt Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Roosevelt Board of Education established \$25,000 as the maximum travel amount for the current school year and has expended \$ 1250 as of this date; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of \$150 for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion to approve items:

<i>MEMBERS</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>NO</i>	<i>ABSTAIN</i>
Kenneth LeCompte Pres.			
Daniel Leibowitz, V.P.			
Heather Giske			
Judith Goetzmann			
Leo Gordon			
Naylon Larane			
John Ord			
David Schembry			
Michael Ticktin			
Roll Call Vote			

B. **POLICY**

Heather Giske, Chairperson

1. Informational Items:

Meeting date:

Old Business:

New Business:

2. Action Items:

- a. That the Board approve the following policies for 2nd reading and adoption:

P0152 Board Officers
P0161 Call Adjournment and Cancellation
P0162 Notice of Board Meetings
R2423 Bilingual and ESL Education
R2425 Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program

(Attachment 8)

Motion to approve items:

MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Kenneth LeCompte, Pres.			
Daniel Leibowitz, V.P.			
Heather Giske			
Judith Goetzmann			
Leo Gordon			
Naylon Larane			
John Ord			
David Schembry			
Michael Ticktin			
Roll Call Vote			

C. **PERSONNEL**

Naylon Larane, Chairperson

1. Informational Items:

Meeting Date:

Old Business:

New Business:

2. Action Items:

- a. That the Board ratify the following appointment according to the procedures set forth in NJSA 18A:67 et seq for the following personnel. Approval pending statutory

Requirements:

- i. That the Board ratify Corin Schack as a substitute teacher for the 2022-2023 school year at the contracted rate of \$125 per day.

Motion to approve items:

MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Kenneth LeCompte, Pres.			
Daniel Leibowitz, V.P.			
Heather Giske			
Judith Goetzmann			
Leo Gordon			
Naylon Larane			
John Ord			
David Schembry			
Michael Ticktin			
Voice Vote			

D. **CURRICULUM:**

David Schembry, Chairperson

1. Informational Items:

Meeting Date:

Old Business:

New Business:

2. Action Items: N/A

On the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board consider the following proposed motions:

- a. That the Board approve the following field trip for the 2022-2023 school year:

Date	Grades	Activity	Cost
April 28, 2023	K & 1	Insectropolis	\$180 (cost of transportation)

- b. That the Board approve the attached Comprehensive Equity Plan Statement of Assurance for the 2023-2024 School Year. **(Attachment 9)**

Motion to approve items:

MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
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Daniel Leibowitz, V.P.			
Heather Giske			
Judith Goetzmann			
Leo Gordon			
Naylon Larane			
John Ord			
David Schembry			
Michael Ticktin			
Roll Call Vote			

E. **OUTREACH**

Judith Goetzman, Chairperson &
RPS Foundation Delegate

1. Informational Items: N/A

Meeting Date:

Old Business:

New Business:

2. Action Items: N/A

XI. **BOARD BUSINESS:**

A. Informational Items:

B. Old Business:

C. New Business:

D. Action Items: N/A

Motion to approve items:

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Daniel Leibowitz, V.P.			
Heather Giske			
Judith Goetzmann			
Leo Gordon			
Naylon Larane			
John Ord			
David Schembry			
Michael Ticktin			
Voice Vote			

XII. **CORRESPONDENCE**

XII. **GOOD AND WELFARE:**

XIV. **BORO COUNCIL LIAISON**

Michael Ticktin

XV. **RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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Daniel Leibowitz, V.P.			
Heather Giske			
Judith Goetzmann			
Leo Gordon			
Naylon Larane			
John Ord			
David Schembry			
Michael Ticktin			
Voice Vote			

XVI. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to approve adjournment:

<i>MEMBERS</i>	<i>YES</i>	<i>NO</i>	<i>ABSTAIN</i>
Kenneth LeCompte, Pres.			
Daniel Leibowitz, V.P.			
Heather Giske			
Judith Goetzmann			
Leo Gordon			
Naylon Larane			
John Ord			
David Schembry			
Michael Ticktin			
Roll Call Vote			