

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
ROSELAND, NEW JERSEY**

**MINUTES
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
January 5, 2023- 7:38 PM**

DATE

January 5, 2023

PRESENT BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Dudas
Mr. Gesario
Dr. Leddy
Mrs. Savarese
Mrs. Scaraggi

MEETING

Regular Business Meeting

ABSENT

TIME

7:38 PM

ADJOURNED

8:24 PM

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Leone
Mrs. Muscara
Community Members

PLACE

Lester C. Noecker School

I. CALL TO ORDER – Board President

II. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE - Open Public Meeting Act

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, notice of this regular meeting has been properly advertised in the newspapers of record, the agenda has been posted at the appropriate locations, directions for public comment have been posted on the district website, and a copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk of Roseland.

**ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Present Mr. Gesario Present Dr. Leddy Present
Mrs. Savarese Present Mrs. Scaraggi Present**

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III. FLAG SALUTE

IV. BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT

Ms. Savarese wished everyone Happy Holidays and welcomed everyone back.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Finance Committee

Ms. Scaraggi stated the program for Manners to Go is on the agenda along with the budget calendar. The budget process and the anticipated capital and maintenance projects for next year were reviewed.

- Curriculum Committee- *no report*
- Special Education Parent Advisory Council

Mr. Dudas stated the Roseland SEPAC wishes everyone a Happy New year. All were thanked for participating last month in the first SEPAC workshop of the year. In collaboration with Dr. Celebre, the presentation "Special Education Overview of Your Rights" focused on the IEP process. The next Parent Collaboration meeting will be on January 18 at 7:30 pm via Zoom.

Parents as Champions Team for Healthy Schools will be launching a new after school program "Champions of Noecker" available to 5th and 6th grade students. The free program starts January 12 from 3:30-4:30. The program will be taught by Rebel Strength & Performance and focuses on healthy fundamentals to strengthen the body and mind and to foster group team building. The link to sign up is listed in the LCN Wednesday notifications.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Principal Comments

Presented and read recognition award to Hamilton Gonzalez.

- Superintendent Comments

*Welcome and Happy New Year!
Review of some highlights from tonight's agenda*

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- o *CH & PE Update - on the agenda for approval*
 - *The presentation from November will remain on our website.*
 - *The curriculum was built on a loose interpretation of the standards and we will always consider what is age appropriate.*
 - *Once it is approved parents can expect information about procedures on how to opt-out in March.*
 - *To date the three other sending districts to WE have approved the curriculum.*
 - *We have also received an opinion letter from our attorney stating pursuant to law, should be adopted. Outlining the consequences I presented loss of state funds and failing QSAC requiring a district improvement and mandatory monitoring by DOE.*
- o *Referendum*
 - *Follow-up Conversation with Dr. Haber, Demographer who confirmed his projections. He has over 25 years of experience and they are based on research.*
 - *Meeting today with the architect and environmental specialist.*
 - *First step is to get a "Letter of Interpretation" that will outline our options on where we could build an addition. There is buildable land but a decision on how much and the best options will be determined after we get the LOI.*
 - *Next we will be meeting with architects, a bonding council, and a financial planner.*
 - *Once we have more information to share we will schedule meetings with the BOE Finance/Facilities committee, I'll update the remainder of the BOE members, and then form an Ad-Hoc Committee to share information and gather input.*
 - *As of now we are on track for a December 2023 Referendum.*
- o *Men's Recreation Basketball*
 - *I've been working with Mike Colitti, Roseland Recreation Director and Marcellino Trillo, Roseland Councilman about allowing the Men's Open Basketball to return on Monday nights in the MPR. They have assured me that it will only be open to Roseland residents and there will be a Site Supervisor. The main entrance will remain locked and they*

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will not allow access to the main building to the children in the Sierchio Gym to maintain the security of our school building.

- o After School Academic Program
 - Mr. Sandoval and Dr. Celebre are continuing the planning process. Teachers approved tonight and student selection for the program is being reviewed, first using data and then by getting teacher feedback.*
 - I am waiting for final NJDOE approval but I have received word that the transfer should be approved.**
- o School Board Member Recognition Month
 - Thank you for your efforts throughout the last year. It has not been an easy few years for BOE members and this year you led the district through the tail end of a pandemic, a Superintendent search and transition. I appreciate you and your dedication to the community, staff, and the students of Roseland.**
- o We will have a closed session meeting at the end of the meeting to discuss an HIB case.*

- **Recognition Award to Hamilton Gonzalez**

On December 2nd 2022, we had a second grader who started choking on his sandwich during lunch. He was able to alert our lunch staff and fortunately our custodian, Hamilton Gonzalez, quickly responded and performed the Heimlich maneuver to clear his airways. Margaret Carmevale, Maschio's Food Service Manager contacted nurse Noronha who responded to check him out. The boy was fine and his parents were called to pick him up.

Kudos to everyone involved for their response and Nurse Noronha for her annual CPR/ AED training that includes responding to these types of emergencies.

VII. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY REPORT

- *The agenda includes two very lengthy resolutions approving the ACES program, Alliance for Competitive Energy Services for gas and electric. The resolution is for the continued participation in ACES to procure energy from alternative suppliers to benefit the taxpayers. Currently, the utility tariffs are lower than the market rates which means the district is now using PSE&G as the supplier. Expenses are high, but lower than the rates if ACES went out to bid. When market rates decrease, ACES will go out to bid anticipating lower rates*

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VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT – On agenda items only

Members of the public may speak for a maximum of three (3) minutes by the clock during this portion of the meeting. The public may speak **on agenda items only** during this three (3) minute period. All comments should be directed to the Board President and depending upon the nature and complexity of the question, it may or may not be answered during the meeting by the Administration. If so, the response would occur after this public portion of the meeting has concluded. Everyone has the freedom to speak, but please be advised that anything said in public may have legal ramifications and there is no protection regarding statements made by the public.

The Ms. Gallentine, 80 Harrison Ave, Brochures were presented regarding the health curriculum that was distributed about the NJEA conference.

Mr. Trillo, The Board was thanked for allowing use of the gym for basketball. He also thanked the Roseland School District for following good procedures with the Health curriculum.

Mr. Dermenjian of 58 Roosevelt St, asked if policy PER-029-23 is posted on the website and was informed that the policy is the same with limited language from the prior update and will be posted on the website.

IV. APPROVAL OF ACTION ITEMS

BOARD MINUTES/REPORTS

RPT-017-23 Approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes- December 2022

RPT-018-23 Approve the December 2022 Enrollment Report

RPT-019-23 Approve the December 2022 HIB Report

RPT-020-23 Approve the Board Members Code of Ethics

RPT-021-23 Approve the December 2022 Code of Conduct Report

RPT-022-23 School Board Member Recognition Month

MOTION by Ms. Scaraggi, SECOND by Mr. Gesario

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye

Mrs. Savarese Aye Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

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RPT-017-23 Approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes for December 2022

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Regular Board Meeting Minutes for December 15, 2022.

RPT-018-23 Approve the December 2022 Enrollment Report

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the December, 2022 Enrollment Report.

RPT-019-23 Approve the December 2022 HIB Report

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves December 2022 HIB Report.

RPT-020-23 Approve the Board Members Code of Ethics

The Board of Education Members shall have the required Board of Ethics Training session as required under N.J.A.C. 6:3-1.3 and N.J.A.C.6A:30.

RESOLVED, that the New Jersey School Boards Association "Code of Ethics" shall be considered the official Code of Ethics of the Roseland Board of Education:

CODE OF ETHICS

- A. I will uphold and enforce all laws, state board rules and regulations, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes should be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- B. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools which meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex or social standing.
- C. I will confine my Board action to policy-making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the Board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
- D. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow Board members, to see that they are well run.

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- E. I will recognize that authority rests with the Board of Education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action which may compromise the Board.
- F. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan, political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
- G. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. But in all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow Board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its schools.
- H. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
- I. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
- J. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on such complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

RPT-021-23 Approve the December 2022 Code of Conduct Report

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves December 2022 Code of Conduct Report.

RPT-022-23 School Board Member Recognition Month

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, approves to recognize our School Board Members during School Board Recognition Month;

WHEREAS, The New Jersey School Boards Association has declared January 2023 to be School Board Recognition Month, a time when all residents can acknowledge the contributions made by our local school board members; and

WHEREAS, The Roseland Board of Education is one of 581 local school boards in New Jersey, which sets policies and oversees operations for public school districts; and

WHEREAS, The Roseland Board of Education embraces the goal of high-quality education for all New Jersey public school students; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's local school boards help determine the educational goals for approximately 1.4 million children in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade; and

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WHEREAS, New Jersey's 5,000 local school board members, who receive no remuneration for their services, act as advocates for public school students as they work with administrators, teachers and parents for the betterment of public education; and

WHEREAS, School boards strive to provide the resources necessary to meet the needs of all students, including those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Boards of education provide accountability to the public; they communicate the needs of the school district to the public; and they convey to school administrators the public's expectations for the schools; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey can take pride in its schools, which rank among the nation's best in key achievement indicators such as the National Assessment of Educational Progress scores, and the preparation for college through advanced placement offerings and SAT assessments; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Roseland Board of Education, does hereby recognize the services of local school board members throughout New Jersey as we join communities statewide in observing January 2023 as SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Roseland Board of Education urges all New Jersey citizens to work with their local boards of education and public school staff toward the advancement of our children's education.

FINANCE/FACILITIES

- FIN-098-23 Approve Payment of Bills and Claims – December 31, 2022
- FIN-099-23 Approve Acceptance of the Cafeteria Report – November 30, 2022
- FIN-100-23 Approve Bond Redemption - Series 2013
- FIN-101-23 Approve the Submission of the December 31, 2022 E-Certification of Compliance
- FIN-102-23 Approval Rebel Strength & Performance, LLC to provide Program
- FIN-103-23 Approve Various Evaluations
- FIN-104-23 Approve Travel and Work Related Expenses
- FIN-105-23 Approval of Facilities Use Requests

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- FIN-106-23 Approve Additional Compensation for Employees
- FIN-107-23 Approve the FY21 Coronavirus Response Relief Supplemental Application (CRRSA) Amendment
- FIN-108-23 Approve the FY22 American Rescue Plan (ARP) Application Amendment
- FIN-109-23 Approve Home Instruction Hours for Student No. 2181230274
- FIN-110-23 Approve Home Instruction Hours for Student No. 9864154807
- FIN-111-23 Approve the Purchase of Natural Gas Services Through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services
- FIN-112-23 Approve the Purchase of Electric Generation Services Through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services
- FIN-113-23 Approve the 2023-2024 Budget Calendar
- FIN-114-23 Approve the Educational Program for Manners to Go with the American Academy of Etiquette

MOTION by Dr. Leddy, SECOND by Ms. Scaraggi

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye

Mrs. Savarese Aye Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

- FIN-098-23 Approve the Payment of Bills and Claims – December 31, 2022

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the payment of Bills and Claims for the period ending December 31, 2022:

General Fund Bills & Claims	\$ 210,610.12
General Fund Payroll	\$ 277,442.55 through December 31, 2022
Special Revenue	\$ 9,439.36
Cafeteria Fund Bills & Claims	\$ 19,641.35
Total Payments	\$ 517,133.38

- FIN-099-23 Approve Acceptance of the Cafeteria Report – November 30, 2022

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Cafeteria Report for the period ending November 30, 2022.

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FIN-100-23 Approve Bond Redemption - Series 2013

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves a Series 2013 interest payment of \$40,175.00 on March 1, 2023 to the Chase Manhattan Bank for the Roseland Board of Education.

FIN-101-23 Approve the Submission of the December 31, 2022 E-Certification of Compliance

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A:17-14.4 (P.L. 2007, c53., authorizes the submission of the Certification of Compliance with Federal and State law respecting the reporting of compensation for certain employees for the calendar year ended December 31, 2022.

FIN-102-23 Approval Rebel Strength & Performance, LLC to provide Program

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves Rebel Strength & Performance, LLC, 1275 Bloomfield Avenue, Fairfield, NJ to provide a "Champions of Noecker" program to run on six (6) concurrent Thursdays from January 12, 2023 through February 16, 2023, at a cost of \$600.00. This program will be paid for through grant money.

FIN-103-23 Approve Various Evaluations

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves various evaluations, services to be provided by Pediatric Potentials, at a total cost of \$375.00 each for the following students:

Student No.	Type of Evaluation	Vendor	PO	Cost
3536270397	OT Re-Evaluation	Pediatric Potentials	2300327	\$390.00
3296683946	Educational	ERESC	2300328	\$420.00

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FIN-104-23 Approve Travel and Work Related Expenses

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, and in accordance with the travel policy, hereby approves the January 5, 2023 list of travel related expenses.

Staff Member	Details	Cost
Richard Celebre	Hot Issues in Special Education Law 2022-2023; The Madison Institute, LLC (TMI) February 2, 2022 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Virtual	Registration Fee: \$125.00 (PO2300310)
Chelsea Clarke	NJECC Annual Education Technology Conference 2023 Montclair State University, NJ March 7, 2023 In-person full day event	Registration Fee: \$130.00 (PO2200335)

FIN-105-23 Approval of Facilities Use Requests

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the following Facilities Use Requests:

Organization	Dates	Time	Day(s)	Purpose	Room/Area
Roseland Recreation Dept.	1/30/23, 2/6/23, 2/13/23, 2/27/23, 3/6/23, 3/13/23, 3/20/23, 3/27/23, 4/3/23, 4/17/23, 4/24/23	7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Mondays	Men's Open Basketball	MPR
Roseland HSA	1/3/23, 1/10/23 1/31/23, 2/14/23, 2/21/23, 2/28/23, 3/7/23, 3/14/23, 3/28/23	3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Tuesdays	School Play Practices	MPR & Music Room

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FIN-106-23 Approve Additional Compensation for Employees

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves additional compensation for employees presenting professional development and/or attending evening events.

Staff Member	Reason
Daniella Rivera-Stewart Maria Hunkele	Preschool Open House January 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. (2) two hours each maximum (1 hour prep + 1 hour presentation) Employees being paid at the current curriculum rate of \$56.00 per hour for the 2022-2023 school year as per the REA Contract.
Frances Noronha Elissa Eccleston Ashley Safir Taylor Ross Lynn Cummings	Kindergarten Open House 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (2) two hours each maximum (1 hour prep + 1 hour presentation) Employees being paid at the current curriculum rate of \$56.00 per hour for the 2022-2023 school year as per the REA Contract.
Robi Dallow Catherine Overbeck	Kindergarten Open House 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (2 hour maximum) Employees being paid at their current 2022-2023 contract hourly rate.
Ashley Safir Gina Chartoff Jessica Ingrassia Jennifer Luzzi	After School Academic Program January 23- May 17, 2023 Employees being paid at their hourly

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<p>Katelyn Fabiano Michele Tedeschi JoAnn Brady Nicole Leone Julieth Santos Diane Mai Colleen Lavorgna</p> <p><u>Subs</u> Jaelyn Spector Janine Piscitello Katie Pinto Jason Giumara Chelsea Clarke Michael Peck Jenna Buccelli</p>	<p>rate as per the REA Contract</p> <p><i>(This stipend is to be paid from the American Rescue Plan Grant pending NJDOE approval)</i></p>
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FIN-107-23 Approve the FY21 Coronavirus Response Relief Supplemental Application (CRRSA) Amendment

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, retroactively approves the FY21 Coronavirus Response Relief Supplemental Application Amendment to transfer funds greater than 10% within the Learning Acceleration application for summer enrichment salaries.

FIN-108-23 Approve the FY22 American Rescue Plan (ARP) Application Amendment

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, retroactively approves the FY22 American Rescue Plan (ARP) Application Amendment to transfer funds greater than 10% for Beyond the School Day application for an After School Program.

FIN-109-23 Approve Home Instruction Hours for Student No. 2181230274

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves up to ten (10) hours per week of home instruction for Student No. 2181230274, at a cost of \$48.00 per hour, services being provided by the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey. Services are projected to start January 6, 2023 through the last day of school in June 2023.
(PO2300333)

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FIN-110-23 Approve Home Instruction Hours for Student No. 9864154807

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves up to ten (10) hours per week of home instruction for Student No. 9864154807, at a cost of \$48.00 per hour, services being provided by the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey. Services are projected to start January 6, 2023 through the last day of school in June 2023.

(PO2300334)

FIN-111-23 Approve the Purchase of Natural Gas Services Through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION BINDING THE ROSELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PURCHASE NATURAL GAS SERVICES THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES (“ACES”) Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS

WHEREAS, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as “ACES”), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as “NJSBA”), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from natural gas suppliers for retail natural gas supply services including interstate transportation to the local natural gas distribution utility company (Natural Gas Supply Services) through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the “Public School Contracts Law”, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.*, and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 *et seq.* (“EDECA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

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WHEREAS, the Roseland School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain natural gas services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to natural gas suppliers following said bids for natural gas services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2028, hereinafter referred to as "Effective Period") issue one or more Requests for Bids for natural gas services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale natural gas market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Natural Gas Supply Service in each service territory to one or more natural gas suppliers that submits bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous natural gas usage and utility provided Basic Gas Supply Service rates; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said Natural Gas Supply Services to natural gas suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic gas supply service; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all Natural Gas Supply Services for its own use during the Effective Period through any natural gas supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for natural gas supply services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

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RESOLVED that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all natural gas supply services needed for its own use during the Effective Period from the natural gas supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for natural Gas supply services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase natural gas at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the districts relative to the price charged for basic gas supply service by the natural gas public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain natural gas services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2028 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

FIN-112-23 Approve the Purchase of Electric Generation Services Through the Alliance for Competitive Energy Services

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following resolution:

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A RESOLUTION BINDING THE ROSELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PURCHASE ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICES THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES (“ACES”) Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS

WHEREAS, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as “ACES”), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as “NJSBA”), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from electric power suppliers for electric generation services through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the “Public School Contracts Law”, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 *et seq.*, and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 *et seq.* (“EDECA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Roseland School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain electric generation services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to electric power suppliers following said bids for electric generation services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2028 hereinafter referred to as “Effective Period”) issue one or more Requests for Bids for electric generation services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale electric market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Electric Generation Service in each service territory to one or more electric power suppliers that submit bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous electric usage and utility provided Basic Generation Service rates; and

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WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said electric generation services to electric power suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic generation service; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period through any electric power supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law;

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for electric generation services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Rebids.

NOW, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period from the electric power supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for electric generation services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase electricity at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the Districts relative to the price charged for basic generation service by the electric public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain electric generation services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a rebid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2028 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission or expiration of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

FIN-113-23 Approve the 2023-2024 Budget Calendar

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the 2023-2024 Budget Calendar to be revised as needed.

FIN-114-23 Approve the Educational Program for Manners to Go with the American Academy of Etiquette

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the educational program for Manners to Go with the American Academy of Etiquette of Raleigh, NC which includes curriculum for \$800 and professional development, student assemblies and travel in the amount of \$6,725 for a total of \$7,525.00 to be funded by the FY22 American Rescue Plan (ARP) for Mental Health Support, pending required documents.

PERSONNEL

PER-028-23 Approval of Roseland School District Substitutes for the 2022-2023 School Year

PER-029-23 Approval of Parent Volunteers for the 2022-2023 School Year

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MOTION by Ms. Scaraggi, SECOND by Mr. Gesario

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye

Mrs. Savarese Aye Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

PER-028-23 Approval of Roseland School District Substitutes for the 2022-2023 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following additional Roseland School District Substitutes for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year, pending criminal history approval.

Domenica Trupia- \$125.00 per day/ \$70.00 per half day
Joyce Ferraro- \$ 200.00 per day (Nurse)

PER-029-23 Approval of Parent Volunteers for the 2022-2023 School Year

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following list of parent volunteers for the 2022-2023 school year pending criminal history approval:

Maria Lombardo (Batta)	Jennifer Lupinacci
Brie Bussanich	Raquel Marte
Alyssa Casazza	Lisa Phillips
Alyson Dill	Lauren Seiner
Renee Cosentini	Bonnie Sturchio
Wendy Costantino	Kimberly Tretter
Jane Looby	Domenica Trupia

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

C&I-020-23 Approve the Statement of Assurance for Paraprofessional Staff- January 2023

C&I-021-23 Approval of New or Revised Curriculum for the 2022-2023 School Year

MOTION by Mr. Gesario, SECOND by Ms. Scaraggi

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Comments:

Mr. Dudas stated he is not in agreement with the new health curriculum. Mr. Leone did give a good presentation on toning it down. He believes the State can come back and tell the school districts exactly what to teach.

Dr. Leddy does not agree with the new curriculum and does not think it is age appropriate. She believes it should be parent guided and stated it is a sad day that the State is requiring this change.

Mr. Gesario stated that some standards are not beneficial. He believes in taking the standards and modifying them and let topics be discussed at home. He trusts Mr. Leone and the teachers and is glad that an opt out is available.

Ms. Scaraggi stated that the district received positive feedback in regards to the presentation. Statutorily the curriculum standards can be approved. The district remains transparent to the educational community and she believes the teachers will do a good job in teaching the curriculum.

Ms. Savarese believes the curriculum to be palatable and is happy there is an opt out option. It is the families choice of their decision. She has faith that the teachers will teach in a professional way. She also feels very confident after listening to Mr. Leone's presentation.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye for C&I-020-23, Nay for C& I-021-23
Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye for C&I-020-23, Nay for C& I-021-23
Mrs. Savarese Aye Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

C&I-020-23 Approve the Statement of Assurance for Paraprofessional Staff- January 2023

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the part two (2) submission of the Statement of Assurance for Paraprofessional Staff for the 2022-2023 school year.

C&I-021-23 Approval of New or Revised Curriculum for the 2022-2023 School Year

RESOLVED, tha the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the Comprehensive Health and Physical Education Curriculum for the 2022-2023 school year.

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POLICIES, REGULATIONS AND BYLAWS

PRB-008-23 Approve Second Reading or Revisions of Policies/Regulations/Bylaws

PRB-009-23 Approve First Reading or Revisions of Policies/Regulations/Bylaws

MOTION by Ms. Scaraggi, SECOND by Mr. Gesario

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye

Mrs. Savarese Aye Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

PRB-008-23 Approve Second Reading of Policies/Regulations/Bylaws

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the second reading of the following:

P 5512 Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying (M)

PRB-009-23 Approve First Reading or Revisions of Policies/Regulations/Bylaws

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education , upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the first reading of the following:

P 1648.11 The Road Forward COVID-19 – Health and Safety (M)
(Abolished)

P 1648.13 School Employee Vaccination Requirements (M) (Abolished)

P 0152 Board Officers (Revised)

P 0161 Call, Adjournment, and Cancellation (Revised)

P 0162 Notice of Board Meetings (Revised)

P & R 2423 Bilingual and ESL Education (M) (Revised)

P 8140 Student Enrollments (M) (Revised)

R 8140 Enrollment Accounting (M) (Revised)

P & R 8330 Student Records (M) (Revised)

R 8420.2 Bomb Threats (M) (Revised)

R 8420.7 Lockdown Procedures (M) (Revised)

R 8420.10 Active Shooter (M) (Revised)

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X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may speak for a maximum of three (3) minutes by the clock during this portion of the meeting. The public may speak on any item pertaining to the school during this three (3) minute period. All comments should be directed to the Board President and depending upon the nature and complexity of the question, it may or may not be answered during the meeting by the Administration. If so, the response would occur after this public portion of the meeting has concluded. Everyone has the freedom to speak, but please be advised that anything said in public may have legal ramifications and there is no protection regarding statements made by the public.

Comments:

Ms. Cummings thanked Mr. Gonzalez for providing assistance to the student during lunch. He is always available to the students. She also thanked the Board of Education for their care in reviewing the new curriculum and being sensitive to the changes.

XI. OLD BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS- None

XII. CONSIDERATION FOR CLOSED SESSION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the following Resolution for Closed Session:

RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Borough of Roseland, that it shall meet in Closed Session this evening following the Regular Business Meeting to discuss matters relating to HIB case 2022-2023-02.

The Board will publicly disclose information pertaining to topics discussed as soon thereafter as possible and once the reasons for non-disclosure no longer exist. The topics to be discussed are within the exemptions which are permitted to be discussed in private session pursuant to P.L. 1975, Chapter 231.

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The Board will reconvene in public at 8:30 p.m. and may take action following the closed session.

MOTION by Mr. Dudas, SECOND by Ms. Scaraggi

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye
Mrs. Savarese Aye Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

XIII. REOPEN INTO PUBLIC SESSION

MOTION by Dr. Leddy, SECOND by Mr. Dudas

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye
Mrs. Savarese Aye Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Dudas, SECOND by Dr. Leddy

ROLL CALL: Mr. Dudas Aye Mr. Gesario Aye Dr. Leddy Aye
Mrs. Savarese Aye Mrs. Scaraggi Aye

The next regular board meeting will be held Thursday, February 16, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Library/Media Center. There is a chance this meeting may be switched over to a virtual meeting. If this is the case, proper notification will be sent out and details will be on our website at www.roselandnjboe.org.

Respectfully Submitted,



Deborah Muscara
Interim Board Secretary/Business Administrator