ROCKAWAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
February 28, 2023 - SPECIAL MEETING

6:00 PM – Public Session — **Copeland Middle School/Cafeteria**
Immediately into Closed Session — **Copeland Middle School/Faculty Room**
6:30 PM – Public Session — **Copeland Middle School/Cafeteria**

Details for how to access and participate in the Public Meeting through remote means will be posted on the District Website at www.rocktwp.net. The Public is strongly encouraged to participate. Community Members can watch the Board Meeting live online. If members of the public wish to provide public comment, they can submit a request to virtualboe@rocktwp.net by 6:00 pm, in advance of the meeting, and they will be sent instructions.

VISION
Rockaway Township Schools...Opening minds, opening worlds so every child's potential becomes a reality and challenges become opportunities for personal success!

MISSION
To nurture a supportive culture embracing individual diversity that will ensure academic, social and emotional success for all.

2022-2023 BOARD GOALS			
GOAL I	GOAL II	GOAL III	GOAL IV
Ensure academic excellence by: a. Identifying resources that make education meaningful and relevant to students. b. Providing financial support to ensure appropriate academic resources.	Maintain a safe and supportive school district culture by: a. Promoting inclusivity for all students. b. Providing the resources to support a school environment conducive to social and emotional health.	Support operational excellence that is sensitive to the ever growing needs of an expanding school community by: a. Reviewing data (structure, demographics, cost) b. Developing framework for community discussions (i.e. websites, surveys, focus groups, etc.). c. Establishing a timeline to determine next steps for reviewing and investing in facilities in order to provide adequate space for 21st century learning.	Promoting community outreach and enhanced communications by: a. Building a conduit to effectively reach all stakeholders. b. Communicating the roles and responsibilities of the board to the community.

2022-2023 DISTRICT GOALS				
GOAL I	GOAL II	GOAL III	GOAL IV	GOAL V
Improve ELA and Math achievement by at least 10 percentage points (as measured by the I-Ready diagnostic) thereby supporting the academic achievement of all students.	Offer additional educational - after school opportunities with a focus on equity between schools.	Improve the climate and culture in each school by ensuring the physical and emotional safety of each student as measured by a 10% decrease in incidence of HIB investigations district-wide.	Reinforce a positive and effective practice of community outreach that is transparent, trusting and collaborative.	Identify the maintenance and long-term capital improvements that require repair, upkeep or replacement.

AGENDA
CALL TO ORDER
ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL
PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT
PUBLIC NOTICE
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
SUPERINTENDENT'S WELCOME
PUBLIC DISCUSSION
I SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
II DISCUSSION ITEMS
A. Old Business
B. New Business
III ADJOURNMENT

Call to Order
_____called the meeting to order at _____PM

Attendance Roll Call						
Mrs. Curelaru	**Mr. Forst**	**Mrs. Lukany**	**Mrs. Shields**	**Mrs. Smith**	**Dr. Tomasini**	**Mrs. Mezik**

Others in Attendance						
Dr. Corbett	**Mr. Higgins**	**Mrs. Slamb**	**Visitors**	**Board Attorney**	**Press**	

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

The New Jersey "Open Public Meetings Act" was passed to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed and acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the "Act," the Rockaway Township Board of Education has caused notice of the date, time and place of said meetings to be published in the "The Daily Record," "The Star-Ledger," and be posted in all schools in the district, in the Municipal Building of the Township and the Township Library. *Does any Board Member wish to object to the conduct of this meeting for the purpose as stated in the public notice?*

PUBLIC NOTICE

All documentation and materials considered by the Board of Education as part of this agenda are available for public review and comment. Members of the public are invited to come to the Board of Education building, off Green Pond Road, during the regular business hours of 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, if they wish to inspect any of the referenced items.

RESOLVED, that in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" the Rockaway Township Board of Education will meet in closed session to discuss matters involving (personnel, litigation, acquisition of real property, security, negotiations, receipt of governmental funds), the content of said discussions will be disclosed to the public at such time and extent as is required by law.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SUPERINTENDENT'S WELCOME

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

During the course of the board meeting, the Rockaway Township Board of Education offers members of the public an opportunity to address issues regarding the operation of the Rockaway Township Public Schools. The Board reminds those individuals who take this opportunity to identify themselves by name and address and to limit their comments to items listed on the agenda and/or items directly related to the operation of the School District. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged and will not be

responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility nor will it be liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in the comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments.

In accordance with Board Policy 0167, public discussion is limited to fifteen (15) minutes with a three (3) minute limit per member of the public. The Board President shall have the right to modify the length of public discussion, as he/she deems appropriate.

Open first Public Comment	
Motion to open public comment by	**Seconded**
Show of hands to open	

Close first Public Comment	
Motion to close public comment by	**Seconded**
Show of hands to close	

I SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

II DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Old Business

B. New Business

III ADJOURNMENT

Return to Executive Session *(if needed)*

For the discussion of: _____for approximately _____minutes.

Motion to go into closed session by	**Seconded**
Show of hands to enter closed session	
Closed Session Start at _____PM	

Motion to adjourn closed session by	**Seconded**
Show of hands to end closed session	
Closed Session End at _____PM	

Meeting Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by	**Seconded**
Show of hands to adjourn meeting	