

**RAHWAY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
RAHWAY 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ACADEMY**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2023 - 6:00 P.M.**

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

**II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**III. ROLL CALL**

Ms. Allen  
Mr. Antisz  
Mr. Garay  
Mrs. Giacobbe  
Ms. Moteiro  
Mrs. Raysick  
Mr. Toma  
Mr. White  
Mr. Robson

**IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Any discussion held by the Board which need not remain confidential will be made public as soon as practicable. Minutes of the private session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists. The Board will reconvene in public session at the conclusion of the closed session.

**6:30 p.m. Grievance Hearing, REA #2022-2023-001**

**V. RECONVENING ROLL CALL:**

**VI. STATEMENT ON OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:**

Public notice of this meeting, in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, was given by the Board Secretary on January 31, 2022 by sending notices to the Home News Tribune, The Union County LocalSource, the City Clerk of Rahway, the Rahway Public Library, and by posting the notices on the Bulletin Board outside the Board of Education office on the second floor of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy.

**VII. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:**

***Establish Regular Meeting Place, Date, and Time:***

Motion to establish that All Board Meetings will begin at **6:00 p.m.**, unless posted otherwise. The meetings will be opened in public and immediately recessed to private session in the Louis R. Rizzo Board Meeting Room (Rm. 105) of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy. The Board will reconvene in public at **7:00 p.m.** to conduct the public portion of the meeting in the Student Cafeteria of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy, as per the attached list.

**VIII. REPORTS FROM LIAISONS & ASSIGNMENTS**

Schools:

High School:	Ms. Allen	7-8 Gr. Academy:	Mr. Toma
Cleveland:	Mr. White	Franklin:	Mrs. Giacobbe
Madison:	Mrs. Raysick	Roosevelt:	Mr. Antisz
ACE:	Mr. Garay	Preschool:	Ms. Moteiro

Affirmative Action: Mrs. Raysick

City Council: Ms. Allen

State and County Boards:

Union County: Mr. Toma, Alt.: Mr. Robson

New Jersey: Mr. Robson, Alt.: Mr. Toma

Union County Educational Services Comm.: Ms. Moteiro

Great Schools NJ: Ms. Allen

**IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**X. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION**

**XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)**

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**XII. MINUTES**

Motion to approve of the following minutes:

- December 13, 2022 Caucus Meeting and private session
- December 20, 2022 Regular Meeting and private session

**XIII. COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

Chair – Najah Allen

Members – Carlos Garay, Timothy Antisz, Alt.: Joseph Toma

**XIV. PERSONNEL**

Chair – Shanna Raysick

Members – Najah Allen, Laura Giacobbe, Alt.: Sean White

**The Superintendent recommends:**

1. Motion to approve the following Retirement Resolutions:
  - a. **WHEREAS**, it is fitting that the Rahway Board of Education recognize on the occasion of their retirement, individuals who have dedicated their careers to serving the students of the Rahway Public School District; and

**WHEREAS, Mary Hart**, an educator having served 11 years with the Rahway Public School District, will enter into a well-deserved retirement on February 1, 2023;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rahway Board of Education expresses its sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks to **Mary Hart** for service to the Board, the students, and the staff of the Rahway community, and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board extends its best wishes to **Mary Hart**, for a long, happy, and fulfilling retirement, and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution be printed in the official Board minutes of the Public Meeting of the Rahway Board of Education held on January 24, 2023, and a copy be presented to **Mary Hart** as a token of our esteem.

- b. **WHEREAS**, it is fitting that the Rahway Board of Education recognize on the occasion of their retirement, individuals who have dedicated their careers to serving the students of the Rahway Public School District; and

**WHEREAS, Amy Taylor**, an educator having served 19 years with the Rahway Public School District, will enter into a well-deserved retirement on February 1, 2023;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rahway Board of Education expresses its sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks to **Amy Taylor** for service to the Board, the students, and the staff of the Rahway community, and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board extends its best wishes to **Amy Taylor**, for a long, happy, and fulfilling retirement, and,

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2. Motion to accept the resignation of Fernando Torres, High School Guidance Counselor, effective March 4, 2023.
3. Motion to accept the resignation of Shaina James, Part-time Preschool Paraprofessional assigned to Grover Cleveland School, effective January 28, 2023.
4. Motion to rescind the offer of employment to Chitra Venugopal as a Part-time Paraprofessional previously approved at the December 20, 2022, Regular Public Meeting.
5. Motion to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Employee #6305, Part-Time Paraprofessional at Roosevelt School, effective January 10, 2023, through the end of the 2022-2023 school year, in accordance with the negotiated Agreement between the Rahway Education Association and the Rahway Board of Education.
6. Motion to extend the approved unpaid leave of absence for Employee #4174, Franklin School Teacher, from January 17, 2023, to February 5, 2023.
7. Motion to approve a pregnancy leave of absence for Employee #6109, Central Office Secretary, for the anticipated period of February 11, 2023 through April 29, 2023, to be immediately followed by an unpaid leave of absence in accordance with the NJFLA, through July 23, 2023. (Note: employee may be entitled to use accumulated sick leave during the disability period as defined by the attending physician.)
8. Motion to approve a pregnancy leave of absence for Employee #6071, Roosevelt School Teacher, for the anticipated period of February 27, 2023 through April 14, 2023, to be immediately followed by an unpaid leave of absence in accordance with the NJFLA, through May 27, 2023. (Note: employee may be entitled to use accumulated sick leave during the disability period as defined by the attending physician.)

9. Motion to appoint the following staff to Extra Service positions during the 2022-2023 school year, at the pending negotiated stipend:

High School

Emma Barakat

Play Assistant – Scenic Design

Emma Barakat

Play Assistant – Set Construction

10. Motion to appoint the following teachers to provide after school tutoring sessions for student-athletes during the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year, as needed, at the negotiated hourly rate:

Leslie Breen

Adrienne Savard

11. Motion to approve 6<sup>th</sup> period compensation for the following Academy Teachers to cover World Language (Italian) classes effective January 9, 2023, until such time as a replacement teacher is hired:

Antonia Mavrianos

Michael Pedrosa

Crawford King

Jessie Rack

Joseph Sorrentino

12. Motion to approve 6<sup>th</sup> period compensation for the following High School Teachers to cover for Physical Education/Health Teacher vacancy effective January 27, 2023, (Marking Period 3) until such time as a replacement teacher is hired:

Travis Flowers

Shannon Hellem

13. Motion to appoint Shannon Rampton as a Physical Education/Health Teacher at the High School effective March 1, 2023, or sooner, for the 2022-2023 school year, Master's Degree, Step 1 of the Teachers Salary Guide, at the interim annual salary of \$69,110.00, prorated, pending the successful completion of pre-employment requirements. (Replaces S. Barnes)

14. Motion to appoint Arvind Sitaram as a Maintenance Worker effective March 1, 2023, or sooner, for the 2022-2023 school year, Step 5 of the Maintenance Salary Guide A-8, at the interim annual salary of \$64,718.00, pending the successful completion of pre-employment requirements.

15. Motion to approve Tiffany Variello, Madison School Teacher, at a Volunteer Softball Coach for the 2023 Sport Season.

16. Motion to appoint Darren Love as a 12-month Vice Principal at the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy, effective April 1, 2023, or sooner, for the 2022-2023 school year, at the annual salary of \$135,000.00, prorated, in accordance with the negotiated Agreement between the Rahway Board of Education and the Rahway Administrators and Supervisors Association, pending the successful completion of pre-employment requirements. (Replaces M. Hart)

17. Motion to add the following name(s) to the 2022-2023 Substitute Teacher List, pending the successful completion of pre-employment requirements:

Nicole Simon

18. Motion to approve a long-term substitute teacher assignment for Gabrielle Fils-Aime, assigned to a Special Education class at Madison School, effective February 13, 2023, or sooner, through the end of the 2022-2023 school year, at the per diem rate of \$300.00.

**XV. EDUCATION/CURRICULUM**

Chair – Joseph Toma

Members –Shanna Raysick, Najah Allen, Alt.: Jennifer Moteiro

**The Superintendent recommends:**

1. Motion to approve the following fundraiser activities, no door-to-door selling, subject to adherence to the COVID-19 State-mandated restrictions in effect at the time of the fundraiser:

High School

Art Club “Un-Valentine’s Day” Cards Fundraiser from February 1, 2023 through February 14, 2023. Proceeds to be used for the Art Club.

Softball/Baseball Team Apparel Sale from March 1, 2023 through May 25, 2023. Proceeds to be used to support team activities.

Softball/Baseball Team Autism Awareness Challenge Tournament Fundraiser in April 2023; fundraiser from March 1, 2023 through May 25, 2023. Proceeds to be donated to Teamwork Unlimited charity.

2023 Club Senior Shirt Sale from January 26, 2023 through May 26, 2023. Proceeds to be used towards Prom 2023.

Chef’s Club Valentine’s Day Lemonade “Love Potions” Fundraiser Sale from January 25, 2023 through February 8, 2023. Proceeds to be used towards the Chef Club.

Academy

Spanish Club Themed School Dance Fundraiser from April 24, 2023 through May 5, 2023. Proceeds to be used towards future club activities.

Spanish Club Themed School Dance Fundraiser from February 1, 2023 through February 14, 2023. Proceeds to be used towards future club activities.

Franklin

Online Shopping Fundraiser from March 1, 2023 through June 21, 2023. Proceeds to be used towards student activities.

Blue and Gold Club Bake Sale on February 10, 2023. Proceeds to be used towards Blue and Gold Club projects for the community.

Madison

National Pretzel Day Sale on April 26, 2023. Proceeds to be used to support school activities.

Empanada Sale on April 5, 2023. Proceeds to be used to support school activities.

Roosevelt

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Vendor Sale Fundraiser on February 11, 2023. Proceeds to be used towards 6<sup>th</sup> grade activities.

PBSIS Autism Acceptance T-Shirt Sale from January 2023 through March 6, 2023. Proceeds will be used to purchase Autism Acceptance shirts.

PBSIS Hat Day Fundraiser on March 10, 2023 to support March Madness. Proceeds used for PBSIS.

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Movie Night and Snack Sale on March 2, 2023. Proceeds to be used towards 4<sup>th</sup> grade trips and end of year activities.

Preschool

Academy Preschool and St. Thomas Preschool Valentine's Day Candy Grams from February 6, 2023 through February 13, 2023. Proceeds to be used towards the Preschool End of Year Celebration.

2. Motion to approve the following out-of-state trips:
  - a. High School AP Literature & Composition classes to visit the Museum of Modern Art, New York City, on May 19, 2023, at a cost to the Board in the amount of \$263.53 for transportation.
  - b. High School Band & Choir to participate in a Music Festival at Dorney Park, Allentown, PA, on May 26, 2023, at no cost to the Board.
  - c. Academy 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to the American Museum of Natural History and Hayden Planetarium, New York City, on June 9, 2023, at no cost to the Board.
  - d. High School Spanish language course students (grades 10-12), to visit El Repertorio Espanol, to watch "In the Time of the Butterflies" in the target language, and the Mexico Lindo Restaurant, New York City, on February 21, 2023, at a cost to the Board in the amount of \$650.00 for transportation.
3. Motion to approve the AP Human Geography Curriculum.
4. Motion to adopt on Second Reading revisions to Policy 5131.5 Violence, Vandalism.
5. Motion to adopt on Second Reading new Policy 7550 Memorials and Dedications.
6. Motion to accept the HIB Report for December 2022.

**XVI. FINANCE/FACILITIES**

Chair – Timothy Antisz

Members –Sean White, Carlos Garay, Alt.: Laura Giacobbe

**The Superintendent recommends:**

1. Motion to approve the Bills List for the period ending January 24, 2023.
2. Motion to approve the Budget Transfers through January 24, 2023.
3. Motion to approve the Board Secretary’s Report for November 2022 and December 2022.
4. Motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report for November 2022 and December 2022.
5. Motion to approve payment #005 to Tekcon Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$74,553.50 for Franklin and Roosevelt Elementary School Site Improvements.
6. Motion to approve the Agreement with Parette Somjen Architects, LLC for professional services as Architect of Record for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.
7. Motion to approve submission of an amendment to the ESEA Consolidated Application to include carryover funds, and to accept the funds as follows:

Title I-A	90,824.
Title II SIA Part A	71,419.
Title II-A	116,109.
Title III	58,149.
Title IV Part A	30,937.

8. Motion to renew the Agreement with the City of Rahway to provide nursing services, within the limit of funds appropriated by the New Jersey Department of Education, Division of Finance, to all eligible nonpublic school children within its district to assure equal access to appropriate health care services for the period of September 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023.
9. Motion to approve payment #004 to Open Systems Integrators, Inc. in the amount of \$66,195.60 for PA & Clock Upgrades at the following (6) Schools: Rahway High School, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy, Franklin Elementary School, Grover Cleveland Elementary School, Madison Elementary School, and Roosevelt Elementary School.
10. Motion to approve payment #006 to Spartan Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$133,812.45 for Exterior & Lintel Masonry Repairs and Restoration at Franklin & Roosevelt Elementary Schools.
11. Motion to approve a tuition contract between the Rahway Board of Education and the Winfield Board of Education to accept and educate student #21386 for the remainder of the 2022-23 school year for the Learning/Language Disabilities tuition amount of \$16,329.00, pro-rated, effective January 4, 2023.



12. Motion to approve a tuition contract for the child of Employee #4572, a nonresident employee, to attend the Rahway Public Schools, at an annual tuition rated at 50% of the prevailing rate, in accordance with Policy 3240.
13. Motion to approve a Speech Service Contract with The Speech Tree to provide per diem speech services for during the 2022-2023 school year, at a rate of \$90.00 per hour effective January 23, 2023; total not to exceed \$65,000.00.
14. Motion to approve the following Professional Development:

<u>Staff</u>	<u>Location of Workshop/Conference</u>	<u>Title of Workshop/Conference</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Workshop Fee</u>	<u>Travel</u>
Jaclyn Basso	Monroe, NJ	MTSS Summit	05/05/23 1/26/23,	\$150	\$0
Jaclyn Basso	Monroe, NJ	Coaching Academy	3/30/23	\$200	\$0
Dawn Sheedy	Monroe, NJ	MTSS Summit	05/05/23 1/26/23,	\$150	\$0
Dawn Sheedy	Monroe, NJ	Coaching Academy	3/30/23	\$200	\$0
Jaclyn Basso	Kenilworth, NJ	Math Shouldn't Be Quiet	02/01/23	\$0	\$0
Adriana Mosca	Kenilworth, NJ	Math Shouldn't Be Quiet	02/01/23	\$0	\$0
Tiffany Beer	Kenilworth, NJ	Math Shouldn't Be Quiet	02/01/23	\$0	\$0
Maureen Dalessio	Kenilworth, NJ	Math Shouldn't Be Quiet	02/01/23	\$0	\$0
Dawn Sheedy	Kenilworth, NJ	Math Shouldn't Be Quiet	02/01/23	\$0	\$0
Ashley Gray	Monroe, NJ	MTSS Summit	05/05/23 1/26/23,	\$150	\$0
Ashley Gray	Monroe, NJ	Coaching Academy	3/30/23	\$200	\$0
Stephanie Holobinko	Monroe, NJ	MTSS Summit	05/05/23	\$0	\$0
Leslie Septor	Monroe, NJ	MTSS Summit	05/05/23	\$0	\$0
Angelina Diaz	Virtual	Helping you ELLs Become More Successful Readers	02/14/23	\$279	\$0
Maureen Dalessio	Piscataway, NJ	Motivating Children to Love Literature	02/23/23	\$0	\$0
Dawe Peralta	Scotch Plains, NJ	Gang Awareness for Educators	01/04/23	\$0	\$0
Jasmine Akauola	Virtual	Developing a Common Language for Your Bilingual/ESL Students	04/21/23	\$75	\$0
Jasmine Akauola	Monroe, NJ	Multilingual Learner Summit	05/12/23	\$125	\$0
Ashley Gray	Kenilworth, NJ	Math Shouldn't Be Quiet	02/01/23	\$0	\$0
Doris Jones	Kenilworth, NJ	Math Shouldn't Be Quiet	02/01/23	\$0	\$0
Jessica Gardosi	Virtual	Comprehensive Orton Gillingham Training	1/30/23-2/3/23	\$1,500	\$0
Tiffany Beer	West Orange, NJ	How the Science of Reading Changes Classroom Instruction	02/09/23	\$0	\$0
Doris Jones	Virtual	Building the Skill and Confidence Levels of your Struggling Math Students	02/09/23	\$279	\$0
Shannon Hellem	Princeton, NJ	Shape NJ	02/27/23	\$169	\$0

Lauren Battiato	Piscataway, NJ	Motivating Children to Love Literature	02/23/23	\$0	\$0
Aleya Shoieb	West Orange, NJ	How the Science of Reading Changes Classroom Instruction	02/09/23	\$0	\$0
Patrick Holness	West Orange, NJ	How the Science of Reading Changes Classroom Instruction	02/09/23	\$0	\$0
Trish Volino	West Orange, NJ	How the Science of Reading Changes Classroom Instruction	02/09/23	\$0	\$0
Stephanie Holobinko	West Orange, NJ	How the Science of Reading Changes Classroom Instruction	02/09/23	\$0	\$0
Martha Perasso	Virtual	Conference for School Based Language Pathologists	03/06/23	\$289	\$0
Dawn Sheedy	West Orange, NJ	How the Science of Reading Changes Classroom Instruction	02/09/23	\$0	\$0
Maureen Dalessio	West Orange, NJ	How the Science of Reading Changes Classroom Instruction	02/09/23	\$0	\$0
Doris Jones	West Orange, NJ	How the Science of Reading Changes Classroom Instruction	02/09/23	\$0	\$0
Elizabeth DeSantis	West Orange, NJ	How the Science of Reading Changes Classroom Instruction	02/09/23	\$0	\$0
Adriana Mosca	West Orange, NJ	How the Science of Reading Changes Classroom Instruction	02/09/23	\$0	\$0
Jessica Miserentino	Union, NJ	NJ School Counselor Association Spring Conference	04/21/23	\$0	\$0
Michael Celoski	Virtual	PowerSchool Master Schedule Building Workshop	2/7/23-2/8/23	\$600	\$0
Carl Darius	Virtual	PowerSchool Master Schedule Building Workshop	2/23/23-2/24/23	\$600	\$0
Dawe Peralta	Virtual	Workshop	3/6/23-3/7/23	\$600	\$0
Ed Kushpa	Atlantic City, NJ	NJSBGA 25th Annual Conference	3/19/23-3/22/23	\$0	\$360.12
Richard Mate	Princeton, NJ	Shape NJ	02/27/23	\$169	\$0
James Tatum	Princeton, NJ	Shape NJ	02/27/23	\$169	\$0
Tina Scheitrum	Princeton, NJ	Shape NJ	02/27/23	\$169	\$0
Leslie Breen	Mahwah, NJ	AP Statistics Roundtable	02/10/23	\$0	\$0
Joseph Lee	Atlantic City, NJ	TechSpo	1/25/23-1/27/23	\$565	\$328

15. Motion to enter into an agreement with Delta-T Group to provide instructional aide services as needed for the Rahway Public Schools District for the 2022-23 school year effective January 19, 2023-June 30, 2023. The hourly rate is \$30.00.
16. Motion to enter into an agreement with Swing Education and the Rahway Public Schools for the 2022-23 school year effective January 19, 2023-June 30, 2023. The per diem rate is \$172.50.
17. Motion to approve payment to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey in the amount of \$5,448.25 for the DOE Final Education Review application fee for ROD Grant Educational Project: Second Floor Conversion to Classrooms at the Roosevelt Elementary School.
18. Motion to approve payment to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey in the amount of \$5,923.50 for the DOE Final Education Review application fee for ROD Grant Educational Project: Second Floor Conversion to Classrooms at the Franklin Elementary School.
19. Motion to approve the Resolution rejecting all bids received and authorizing the Rebid of the Security Vestibule Addition, Facade Replacement and Other Improvements Project at the Rahway Academy:

#### Resolution

**WHEREAS**, the Rahway Board of Education (“Board”) publicly advertised the Security Vestibule Addition, Facade Replacement and Other Improvements at the Rahway Academy Project (“Project”); and

**WHEREAS**, on January 19, 2023, the Board held a public bid opening for the award of a contract for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board received two (2) bids which were opened at the public bid opening; and

**WHEREAS**, the bid amounts of both bids received substantially exceed the cost estimate for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, *N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22(a)*, entitled “Rejection of bids” allows a Board of Education to reject bids received when the lowest bid substantially exceeds the cost estimates for the goods or services; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the bid amount of the lowest numerical bidder, the fact that its substantially exceeds the cost estimate for the Project and the recommendation of the Board Architect, the Board has determined to reject all bids received pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22* and to authorize the re-bid of the Project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that in accordance with the provisions of the Public School Contracts Law, *N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1, et. seq.*, the Board hereby rejects all bids received by the Board for the Security Vestibule Addition, Facade Replacement and Other Improvements at the Rahway Academy Project pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22* because the bids received and opened substantially exceed the cost estimate for the Project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Business Administrator, Board Architect and all other Board officials and employees are hereby authorized to take all necessary actions for the Rebid of

the Security Vestibule Addition, Facade Replacement and Other Improvements at the Rahway Academy Project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Business Administrator is authorized to return the bid securities to all bidders.

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**XVIII. GENERAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

**XIX. BOARD MEETING DATES**

Caucus Meeting: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 6:00 p.m. Executive, 7:00 p.m. Public Session  
Regular Meeting: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 6:00 p.m. Executive, 7:00 p.m. Public Session

**XX. ADJOURNMENT**

- A. Motion to adjourn the meeting.

## Rahway Board of Education 2023 Meeting Schedule

Tuesday	February	7	2023	Monthly Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>February</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
Tuesday	March	7	2023	Monthly Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>March</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
Tuesday	April	4	2023	Monthly Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
Tuesday	May	2	2023	Budget Hearing & Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Regular Meeting</i>
Tuesday	June	13	2023	Monthly Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>June</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
Tuesday	July	11	2023	Monthly Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>July</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
Tuesday	August	8	2023	Monthly Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>August</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
Tuesday	September	5	2023	Monthly Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>September</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
Tuesday	October	3	2023	Monthly Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
Tuesday	November	14	2023	Monthly Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>November</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
Tuesday	December	12	2023	Monthly Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>December</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>
Tuesday	January	2	2024	6:00 p.m. Reorg. & Caucus
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>January</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>Regular Board Meeting</i>

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