

ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Elwood, New York

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING -- BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**March 11, 2010**

**Elwood Middle School Auditorium - 7:30 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

- A. CALL TO ORDER** – District Clerk
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Board President
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)**
1. Business Meeting – January 14, 2010 (amended to correct typo in *Tab D*)
  2. Business Meeting – February 11, 2010
- D. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS** – Mr. Peter C. Scordo
1. Elwood Education Endowment presentation to grant recipients
  2. Report from Philip Leggio, Student Liaison
- E. COMMENDATIONS** – This section of the agenda gives the Board of Education an opportunity to publicly recognize and commend individuals for outstanding accomplishments or contributions made to Elwood schools. Tonight we honor:
- *Varsity Wrestling Team* (presentation by Mr. Tuorto and County Legislator Steven Stern)
  - NYSSMA All-State Musicians:
    - *Alex Jenks – Trombone (Band)*
    - *Rachel Abrams – Harp (Orchestra) and Soprano II (Alternate)*
- F. RESIDENTS' REMARKS** – The Board encourages all residents to attend its meetings, and this section of the agenda affords them the opportunity to speak. Persons wishing to speak should identify themselves and any organization they represent at the meeting. Comments should be kept as brief as possible and relate to school matters. Public discussion of matters relating to staff, students or others at which their reputations, privacy or right to due process could be in some way violated is prohibited. **(30 minutes)**
- G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS** -- No Recommended Items
- H. FINANCIAL MATTERS**
1. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Treasurer's Report for the month ended January 31, 2009.
  2. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Revenue Report for the month ended January 31, 2009.
  3. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Cash Flow Report for general funds for the month ended January 31, 2009.
  4. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Budget Status Report for the month ended January 31, 2009.
  5. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Trial Balances for all funds as of December 31, 2009.
  6. Recommend the Board acknowledge the receipt for audit of the Extra Classroom Fund Reports (High School and Middle School) for the quarter ended December 31, 2009.
  7. Recommend the Board approve the budgetary transfers.
- I. NEW BUSINESS**
1. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**
    - a. High School – discussion related to the purchase of the next generation of the current school management system (E-School Student Management System)
    - b. High School – potential solution for correcting current disincentive for some students to enroll in elective courses

- c. High School/Middle School – possible change of alpha grading system to numerical system effective September 1, 2010

2. **ACTION ITEMS**

a. Personnel items:

- *Emergency appointments and reappointments*
- *Approve Chris Warren as an Administrative Intern at the high school*
- *Approve increases in teacher assignments to 1.2 FTE for Christina Kerensky-DeSimone and Diana Soehl from March 12 through June 30*
- *Appoint Pamela Rodriguez as AIS Mathematics Tutor at the high school*
- *Approve Katlyn Roedel and Theresa Lewis as substitute teachers for one period a day at a rate of \$28.11 per period*
- *Appoint Elizabeth Bellucci as Middle School Girls' Track Coach for the spring season*
- *Appoint Jonathan Mead as the JV Boys' Tennis Coach for the spring season*
- *Approve co-curricular appointments for the remainder of the 2009/2010 school year:*

<i>Jessica Frost</i>	<i>Operation Respect and Y.E.S.</i>	<i>Middle School</i>
<i>Lindsay Pettine</i>	<i>Operation Respect</i>	<i>Middle School</i>
<i>Lindsay Pettine</i>	<i>Natural Helpers</i>	<i>High School</i>
- *Approve Danielle Palma as a substitute IBI Teaching Assistant at the rate of \$25 per hour*
- *Approve the extension of the retirement incentive for Eugenia Egan and Geraldine LaCentra for a period of three years, ending June 30, 2013*
- *Approve the change in appointment of Linda Harris to Custodial Worker I from her current Custodial Worker II position effective March 12, 2010*
- *Approve the Addendum to the Schedule of Substitute Teachers/Nurses for the 2009/2010 school year*

b. Recommend the Board approve the Committee on Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services:

<u>Submitted to the Board</u>	<u>Meeting Dates</u>
<i>January 8</i>	<i>January 13, February 3</i>
<i>February 9</i>	<i>January 20</i>
<i>February 12</i>	<i>January 20</i>

c. Recommend the Board approve the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services:

<u>Submitted to the Board</u>	<u>Meeting Dates</u>
<i>February 8</i>	<i>January 21</i>
<i>February 25</i>	<i>February 24</i>

d. Recommend the Board adopt the proposed resolution to set dates for the 2010 Public Budget Hearing on May 6, 2010 and for the Annual Budget Vote and Election on May 18, 2010.

e. Recommend the Board adopt the proposed resolution appointing the members of the Board of Registration for the Annual District Election.

f. Recommend the Board adopt the proposed resolution appointing the Permanent Chairperson and other personnel to act at the Budget Hearing and Annual Vote and Election.

g. Recommend the Board accept the following donations:

- a. approximately 225 dictionaries and one 9' x 11' color carpet of the United States from Verizon Telecom Pioneers for use at James H. Boyd Intermediate School;
- b. \$14,142 from the Harley Avenue Primary School PTA for the Cultural Arts Program being provided at Harley Avenue Primary School.

h. Recommend the Board approve the following health services contracts for students residing in Elwood and attending private/parochial schools:

<i>Hicksville UFSD</i>	<i>3 students</i>	<i>\$1,573.92</i>
<i>West Islip</i>	<i>1 student</i>	

- i. Recommend the Board approve the Western Suffolk BOCES Cooperative Bidding Resolution for Tutorial and Special Education Services for the 2010/2011 school year.
- j. Recommend the Board approve the disposal of outdated books and materials located in the book room at James H. Boyd Intermediate School.
- k. Recommend the Board approve the Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program Resolution "A" – CoSer 612 with Eastern Suffolk BOCES for the 2010/2011 school year.
- l. Recommend the Board approve the agreements with Hampton Jitney, Inc. for a 5<sup>th</sup> grade trip to the Museum of Natural History in New York City on June 3, 2010.
- m. Recommend the Board approve the fuel agreement with the Town of Huntington for the 2009/2010 year.
- n. Recommend the Board adopt the following policies (*first reading*):
  - 0115 *Anti-Hazing Policy - (JICFA)*
  - 1500 *Public Use of School Facilities*
  - 2160 *District Member Code of Ethics - (2160 and BBFA)*
  - 2245 *High School Student Liaison - (JIBBA)*
  - 2260 *Board Subcommittees - (BDE)*
  - 4311 *School Board Policy Recognizing the Civic Mission of Their Schools - (ADA)*
  - 4316.1 *Exclusion of Athletes from Physical Education - (IGAF)*
  - 4740 *Honor Rolls - (IKD)*
  - 4740.1 *Honor Society*
  - 4751 *Honors Program - (IGCC)*
  - 4810 *Teaching About Controversial Issues - (INB)*
  - 5100 *Attendance*
  - 5205 *Student Academic/Behavioral Eligibility for Participation in Interscholastic and Co-Curricular Activities - (IGD)*
  - 5405.1 *District Health and Nutrition Advisory Committee - (IAB)*
  - 5425 *Use of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) - (JLC)*
  - 8414.4 *Video Recording Equipment on School Buses - (EEA)*
  - 9260 *Conditional and Emergency Conditional Employment of Staff*
  - 9500.1 *Confidential Personnel – Employment Provisions - (GDBF)*
  - 9520.2 *Family and Medical Leave Act - (GBN)*
- o. Recommend the Board approve Donna Kelly as a Parent Member on the Committee for Special Education and the Committee for Preschool Special Education for the 2009-2010 school year.
- p. Recommend the Board approve Jessica Frost as a Chairperson on the Committee on Special Education for the 2009/2010 school year.
- q. Recommend the Board approve the schedule of dates for Board of Education meetings for 2010/2011.

**J. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA**

**K. COMMUNICATIONS**

**L. RESIDENTS' REMARKS** – limited to only items voted on and/or discussed at this business meeting.

**M. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

a. Personnel matters

**N. ADJOURNMENT**