

**ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
September 16, 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)** (TAB A)
1. Work Session/Special Meeting – September 2, 2010
- D. **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. -- *none*
- E. **REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS/SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS REGARDING TONIGHT'S AGENDA** – Mr. Peter C. Scordo
1. Report from Gwen Rosen, Student Liaison
2. School opening
- F. **PRESENTATION:**
1. Snapshot of new entrants –Summer 2010 --- Maryann Llewellyn
2. Update on Academic Achievement --- Grade 3-8 NYS exams -- Maryann Llewellyn
3. Curriculum Writing Projects -- Maryann Llewellyn
- G. **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 may not exceed three minutes (Board Policy 3452). 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)**
- H. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS/DISCUSSION ITEMS**
1. EXCEL (Expanding our Children's Education and Learning) Aid – review of Board of Education Facilities Committee recommendations
2. Transportation referendum – cutback in pupil transportation
- I. **FINANCIAL MATTERS** (TAB B)
1. Recommend the Board approve the budget transfer.
- J. **BUSINESS MATTERS**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following business matters be approved:
1. **Personnel Agenda** -- as per attached (TAB C)
2. **Business Agenda** -- as per attached (TAB D)

3. Special Education

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

Submitted to the Board

Meeting Dates

May 27	May 26
June 24	March 15, 16, 17, 24, 25, April 6, May 18, 26
June 28	May 25 (2 meetings) 26 (2 meetings), June 4, 8
June 29	April 6, May 28 (2 meetings), June 10 (2 meetings)
June 30	June 14, 23
July 6	June 23
July 7	April 19, May 12, 17, 19, 20, 21
July 8	April 30
July 9	May 12 (2 meetings), 18, June 17
July 12	April 13
July 14	May 18, 26, June 1 (2 meetings), 10 (3 meetings), 16, 24
July 15	May 5, 20, 27, June 10 (2 meetings), 15, 24
July 16	June 14
July 19	June 17, 23
August 11	June 24

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

Submitted to the Board

Meeting Dates

June 24	March 9, April 27 (3 meetings)
June 28	May 4, 20, June 16 (3 meetings)
June 29	June 17
June 30	May 20
July 9	June 17, 25
August 10	August 9
August 16	August 10

4. Miscellaneous

- a. Recommend the Board approve the revision to Policy 4710 Grading Systems (*second reading*). (TAB E)

J. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA -- None

K. COMMUNICATIONS

L. RESIDENTS' REMARKS

Remarks are limited to items voted on and/or discussed at this business meeting. Persons wishing to speak should identify themselves and any organization they represent at the meeting. Comments should be kept as brief as possible and may not exceed three minutes (Board Policy 3452). 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)

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Personnel matters
b. Legal matters

N. ADJOURNMENT

O. **WORK SESSION/SPECIAL MEETING:** October 7, 2010 *
NEXT REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING: October 21, 2010

* Agenda item: Establish tax rate for 2010/2011 school year

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Elwood, New York

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KEY: P-1: Position Abolition P-6: Tenure Appointments
P-2: Position Creation P-7: Other Appointments
P-3: Resignations P-8: Other
P-4: Leaves P-9: Changes in Table of Organization
P-5: Terminations

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following personnel action items:

P-1-- Position Abolitions: No Recommended Actions

P-2-- Position Creations: No Recommended Actions

P-3-- Resignations:

A) Instructional:

1) **KELLY BELCASTRO**

Position	Teaching Assistant
Assignment	Harley Avenue Primary School
Effective Date	August 31, 2010
Reason	Resignation

P-4-- Leaves: No Recommended Actions

P-5-- Terminations: No Recommended Actions

P-6-- Tenure Appointments: No Recommended Actions

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P-7-- Other Appointments:

A) Instructional:

1) **BRIAN BISSINGER**

Position	Teaching Assistant – Special Education
Type of Appointment	Probationary
Assignment	Elwood Middle School
Effective Date	September 1, 2010
Certification	Initial Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
Expiration Date	August 31, 2013
Tenure Eligibility	September 1, 2013
Tenure Area	Teaching Assistant
Salary	Teaching Assistant, Step 1
Reason	To replace George Geist

2) **JOHN DAY**

Position	Teaching Assistant – Special Education
Type of Appointment	Probationary
Assignment	Elwood Middle School
Effective Date	September 1, 2010
Certification	Initial Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
Expiration Date	August 31, 2013
Tenure Eligibility	September 1, 2013
Tenure Area	Teaching Assistant
Salary	Teaching Assistant, Step 2
Reason	To meet District needs

3) **CHARLES ROGENER**

Position	Teaching Assistant – Special Education
Type of Appointment	Probationary
Assignment	Elwood-John H. Glenn High School
Effective Date	September 1, 2010
Certification	Initial Social Studies 7-12 and 5-6 Extension
Expiration Date	August 31, 2013
Tenure Eligibility	September 1, 2013
Tenure Area	Teaching Assistant
Salary	Teaching Assistant, Step 1
Reason	To meet District needs

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B) Civil Service:

1) **PATRICIA UMLAND**

Position	Head Clerk
Civil Service Title	Head Clerk
Type of Appointment	Full-time, 12 months
Assignment	Elwood-John H. Glenn High School
Effective Date	July 1, 2010
Permanent Status Date	September 23, 2011
Certification	Civil Service (Competitive Class)
Salary	In accord with the contract between the District and the Elwood Secretarial Association
Reason	Reclassification of title

P-8-- Other:

- a) Recommend the Board of Education reappoint the following individuals on an emergency conditional basis until New York State mandated fingerprint background check results in final clearance:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Job Area</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
<i>Adda Cancro</i>	<i>Substitute Support</i>	<i>August 6, 2010</i>

- b) Recommend the Board of Education appoint the following individuals on an emergency conditional basis until New York State mandated fingerprint background check results in final clearance:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Job Area</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
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No recommendations at this time.

- c) Recommend the Board of Education approve the attached Schedule of Co-Curricular Advisors for the Elwood Middle School for the 2010/2011 school year.
- d) Recommend the Board of Education approve Wendy Braxton, a Social Studies teacher at the Elwood Middle School, for an additional 0.1 FTE for the 2010/2011 school year bringing her total FTE to 1.1 for the entire year. This is for a Social Studies class that is held on A days only.
- e) Recommend the Board of Education approve Jean Haley, a Home and Careers teacher at the Elwood Middle School, for an additional 0.1 FTE for the 2010/2011 school year bringing her total FTE to 1.1 for the entire year. This is a Home and Careers class that is held on A days only.

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- f) Recommend the Board of Education approve a Memorandum of Agreement between the District and the Elwood Secretarial Association establishing the title of Head Clerk, in accord with a determination of the Suffolk County Department of Civil Service relative to Secretarial unit titles. Effective date of title establishment: July 1, 2010.

P-9-- Recommend the Board of Education approve the following changes in Table of Organization as a result of new and pending appointments:

- a) Teaching Assistant: Additional 0.5 Teaching Assistant – funding via IDEA 611 grant.
- b) Secretarial:
 - 1) Principal Clerk, full-time, 12 months, Office of Curriculum – fully funded via federal Title I and Title II grants.
 - 2) Senior Clerk Typist, full-time, 12 months, Office of Special Education – fully funded via federal IDEA 611 grant.

ELWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL

Schedule of Co-Curricular Activities

2010-2011 School Year

ADVISOR'S NAME	ACTIVITY	MEETING FREQUENCY	ANNUAL RATE
Adamo, Al	Gr. 6 Advisor	Ongoing	2,026.00
	Middle School Treasurer	Ongoing	2,950.00
	Science Olympiad Club	Twice monthly	1,853.00
Braxton, Wendy	Grade 7 Advisor	Ongoing	2,026.00
Buchholz, Lauren	Y.E.S. Advisor	Weekly shared 3 ways	618.33
	Mentoring Club	Monthly	1,318.00
DeJesus, Sherine	Operation RESPECT	Weekly shared 2 ways	1,195.50
	Y.E.S. Advisor	Weekly shared 3 ways	618.33
Dupre, Danielle	Kickline	Weekly	2,391.00
Edwards, Jade	Video Yearbook	Twice monthly shared 2 ways	926.50
	Memorybook Photographer	Ongoing	716.00
Gorman, Lisa	Literary Magazine	Monthly	1,318.00
Hanley, Martha	Computer Club	Twice monthly	1,853.00
Harris, Greg	Math Olympiad Club	Twice monthly	1,853.00
Kenyon, Tim	Jazz Ensemble	Twice monthly	1,853.00
LaMacchia, Diana	Memory Book	Ongoing	3,070.00
Lasurdo, Paul	Tri-M Honor Society	Monthly	1,318.00
Lindenbaum, Amy	Nat'l. Jr. Art Honor Society	Monthly	1,318.00

Locascio, Diane	Nat'l. Jr. Honor Society	Weekly	2,391.00
Mir, Bitá	Operation RESPECT	Weekly shared 2 ways	1,195.50
	Y.E.S. Advisor	Weekly shared 3 ways	618.33
Parker, Katie	Video Yearbook	Twice monthly shared 2 ways	926.50
Reilly, Suzanne	Grade 8 Advisor	Ongoing Shared 2 ways	1,082.00
Saidler, Kristen	Newspaper	Weekly	2,391.00
Scarpinito, Michael	Technology Club	Twice monthly	1,853.00
Stephens, Lorelei	Student Activities	Ongoing shared 2 ways	1,518.50
Sullivan, Eileen	Theater Club	Twice monthly	1,853.00
Vandernoeth, Chris	Grade 8 Advisor	Ongoing shared 2 ways	1,082.00
Younger, Laurie	Student Activities	Ongoing shared 2 ways	1,518.50

Hugh M. Gigante
Principal
Elwood Middle School

September 8, 2010

Elwood Union Free School District

Board of Education Business Items

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Board Agenda

Key:	B1: Contracts	B5: Other
	B2: Bid awards	
	B3: Health Services	
	B4: Donations	

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following business action items:

B1: Contracts

- a. Recommend that the Board of Education approve the agreement between Elwood UFSD and Cullen & Danowski as professional external auditors for the 2010/2011 school year; *and* that the Board of Education of the Elwood Union Free School District hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the Board of Education. *(Tab 1)*

- b. Recommend the Board of Education approve the agreement between Elwood UFSD and WCole (Walter Cole) Consulting for the period September 1, 2010 through and including August 31, 2011; *and* that the Board of Education of the Elwood Union Free School District hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the Board of Education. (Tabled September 2, 2010) *(Tab 2)*

- c. Recommend the Board of Education approve the agreement between Elwood UFSD and Linda Osvald, Consultant, for the period September 17, 2010 through January 31, 2011; *and* BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves an agreement between it and Linda Osvald for consulting services in accordance with the terms of said agreement, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute said agreement on its behalf. *(Tab 3)*

- d. Recommend the Board of Education approve the agreement between Elwood UFSD and Robert Villante, Consultant, for the period September 17, 2010 through January 31, 2011; *and* BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves an agreement between it and Robert Villante for consulting services in accordance with the terms of said agreement, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute said agreement on its behalf. *(Tab 4)*

- e. Recommend the Board of Education approve the agreements for *(Tab 5)*
Special Education Services under the Federal IDEA/ASEP Part B, Section 611 and
Section 619 funds flow-through program; *and* that the Board of Education of the Elwood
UFSD hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents on
behalf of the Board of Education.

B2: Bid Awards

No Recommended actions

B3: Health Service Contracts

No Recommended actions

B4: Donations

No Recommended actions

B5: Other

No Recommended actions