

ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Elwood, New York

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

**March 8, 2007**  
**Elwood Middle School Auditorium - 8:00 p.m.**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**A. CALL TO ORDER – District Clerk (8:07)**

Present	Michael Kaszubski Joseph Fusaro Dina Annunziata Julie Badlato Dan Ciccone	President Vice President Trustee Trustee Trustee
Staff	Dr. William Swart William Pastore Robert Annucci John Hogan Peggy Pietzak	Superintendent Assistant Superintendent/Business Assistant Superintendent/Human Resources Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum District Clerk

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President**

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)**

1. Regular Business Meeting – February 8, 2007  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**(TAB N)**

**D. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – Dr. William J. Swart**  
Student Liaison Jed Mangal gave his report.

Rehabilitation of courtyard at Harley Avenue was discussed.

The next budget workshops will be on March 15 and March 22 at 7:30 pm in the high school library. On April 19, at the regular business meeting, the budget will be discussed and a budget will be adopted and offered to our voters on May 15.

We will not be receiving an increase in state aid this year. Assistance requested in writing to Governor Spitzer.

There will be two community gatherings this spring. On April 13, 7:00 pm at TriVillage, the girls' softball team and boys' baseball team will play. On May 2, at the John Glenn High School lacrosse fields, there will be a boys' and girls' varsity double header at about 4:00 pm.

The second Teachers' Academy will have 11 offerings.

Summer Institute will be held the last week of June. This will help train teachers to better use the data yielded from all the tests to identify student weaknesses, progress, and perhaps change how we teach some of the content.

**E. COMMENDATIONS – At this meeting, we honor Daniel Hackett (National Merit Finalist), Nicholas Scudieri (LI winner of Greater New York Auto Dealers Association competition) and Vickie Henson, Elwood Music Director.**

**F. RESIDENTS' REMARKS (8:25 – 8:28)**

**G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS -- No Recommended Items**

**H. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**(TAB O)**

1. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Treasurer's Report for the month ended January 31, 2007.
2. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Revenue Report for the month ended January 31, 2007.

**I. NEW BUSINESS**

1. DISCUSSION ITEMS -- No Recommended Items

2. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Recommend the Board approve personnel items.

**(TAB P)**

Mr. Kaszubski asked for a motion to approve personnel items excluding P8C and P8F. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve personnel item P8C. Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried 3 ayes and 2 abstentions (Mrs. Badlato and Mrs. Annunziata).

Personnel Item P8F will be discussed in executive session.

- b. Recommend the Board approve the Committee on Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services for meetings held on February 2, 7, 8 and 9, 2007

- c. **and** the Board approve the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services for meetings held on February 1 and 8, 2007.

Mrs. Annunziata moved and Mrs. Badlato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- d. Recommend the Board approve the disposal of obsolete/unusable equipment from the food services office.

**(TAB Q)**

Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Badlato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- e. Recommend the Board approve the proposed Resolution to set dates for the 2007 Public Budget Hearing on May 3, 2007 and for the Annual Budget Vote and Election on May 15, 2007.

**(TAB R)**

Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- f. Recommend the Board approve the proposed Resolution appointing the members of the Board of Registration for the Annual District Election.

**(TAB S)**

Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried 4 ayes and 1 abstention (Mr. Ciccone).

- g. Recommend the Board adopt the Resolution appointing the Permanent Chairperson and other personnel to act at the Budget Hearing and Annual Vote and Election.

**(TAB T)**

Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried 4 ayes and 1 abstention (Mr. Ciccone).

- h. Recommend the Board approve the following policy (*first reading*):

**(TAB U)**

**BDE Board Subcommittees**

Mr. Kaszubski asked for a motion to table until next month. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried 3 ayes and 2 nays (Mrs. Badlato and Mrs. Annunziata).

- i. Recommend the Board approve the District Data Assessment Plan.

**(TAB V)**

Mrs. Badlato moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- j. Recommend the Board add the following as parent members of the CSE/CPSE Committees: Allison Desmond, Lisa Greene and Kerri Chiodo.

**(TAB W)**

Mrs. Badlato moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

J. **ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA**

K. **COMMUNICATIONS**

L. **RESIDENTS' REMARKS** – None

M. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** -- Mrs. Badlato moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded a motion to go into executive session at 8:38 p.m. to discuss personnel item P8F. The motion carried unanimously.

N. **ADJOURNMENT** – Mrs. Badlato moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded the motion to end executive session at 10:00 pm and return to the public meeting. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:03. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pietzak  
District Clerk

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