

**ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
JULY 16, 2010  
District Office Conference Room – 7:45 a.m.**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**A. CALL TO ORDER – (7:49 a.m.)**

Present:	Michael Kaszubski	President
	Dan Ciccone (left 8:03 a.m.)	Trustee
	Andrew Kaplan	Trustee
	Patricia Matos (8:00 a.m.)	Trustee
Absent:	Joseph Fusaro	Vice President
Staff:	Peter C. Scordo	Superintendent
	William Pastore	Asst. Superintendent/Business
	Maryann Llewellyn	Asst. Superintendent/Curriculum

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

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S) - None**

**D. COMMENDATIONS – None**

**E. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – None**

**F. PRESENTATION – None**

**G. RESIDENT'S REMARKS – (8:10 – 8:20 a.m.)**

**H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/DISCUSSION ITEMS – None**

**I. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**(TAB B)**

Recommend the Board approve Budget Transfers. Mrs. Matos moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.

**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 attached.**

**(TAB C)**

Recommend the Board approve personnel items excluding P8 f.

Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded. The motion carried 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Recommend the Board approve personnel item P8 f.

Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded. The motion carried 3 ayes, 1 nay.

**2. Business Agenda – as attached.**

**(TAB D)**

Recommend the Board approve business agenda.

Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried 4 ayes, 0 nays.

**3. Special Ed – None**

**4. Miscellaneous – None**

**K. COMMUNICATIONS** – None

**L. RESIDENT'S REMARKS** – None

**M. EXECUTIVE SESSION** – None

**N. ADJOURNMENT** – At 8:06 a.m. Mr. Kaplan moved and Mrs. Matos seconded to adjourn the meeting.  
The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

William Pastore

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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

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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:                              No Recommended Actions  
P-4-- Leaves:                                      No Recommended Actions  
P-5-- Terminations:                            No Recommended Actions  
P-6-- Tenure Appointments:                    No Recommended Actions

P-7-- Other Appointments:

A) Instructional:

1) **JOANNA ASVESTAS**

Position	LOTE Teacher (French)
Type of Appointment	Regular Substitute
Assignment	Elwood-John H. Glenn High School
Effective Date	September 1, 2010
Certification	Initial French 7-12
Expiration Date	June 30, 2011 or earlier at District discretion
Tenure Eligibility	Not applicable
Tenure Area	Foreign Language
Salary	MA+30, Step 1
Reason	To replace a teacher on leave of absence

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2) **ARNOLD KAMHI**

Position Science Teacher (Living Environment)  
Type of Appointment Probationary  
Assignment Elwood-John H. Glenn High School  
Effective Date September 1, 2010  
Certification Initial Biology Grades 7-12  
Expiration Date August 31, 2013  
Tenure Eligibility September 1, 2013  
Tenure Area Science  
Salary PhD, Step 1  
Reason To replace Gina DiPalo

3) **JILL LOCASCIO**

Position Special Education Teacher  
Type of Appointment Probationary  
Assignment Elwood Middle School  
Effective Date August 29, 2010  
Certification Initial Students With Disabilities Grades 1-6  
Expiration Date August 28, 2013  
Tenure Eligibility August 29, 2013  
Tenure Area Special Education  
Salary MA, Step 2  
Reason To meet District needs

4) **MERYL MITTLEBERG**

Position Special Education Teacher  
Type of Appointment Part-time (0.6 FTE)  
Assignment Elwood Middle School  
Effective Date September 1, 2010  
Certification Permanent Special Education K-12  
Expiration Date June 30, 2011 or earlier at District discretion  
Tenure Eligibility Not applicable  
Tenure Area Special Education  
Salary 60% of MA+15, Step 8  
Reason To meet District needs

5) **KAITLYN PARKER**

Position Special Education Teacher  
Type of Appointment Probationary  
Assignment Elwood Middle School  
Effective Date September 1, 2010  
Certification Initial Students With Disabilities Grades 5-9  
(Pending)  
Expiration Date August 31, 2013  
Tenure Eligibility September 1, 2013  
Tenure Area Special Education  
Salary MA, Step 3  
Reason To replace Harold Reilly

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6) CINDY SANTORIELLO

Position	Special Education Teacher
Type of Appointment	Probationary
Assignment	James H. Boyd Intermediate School
Effective Date	August 30, 2010
Certification	Initial Students With Disabilities Grades 1-6
Expiration Date	August 29, 2012
Tenure Eligibility	August 30, 2012
Tenure Area	Special Education
Salary	MA, Step 2
Reason	To meet District needs

B) Civil Service: No Recommended Actions

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>
Jay Benenson	Summer Maintenance	June 28, 2010
Steven Benfante	Summer Maintenance	July 21, 2010
Adda Cancro	Substitute Support	June 25, 2010
Ryan Holt	Summer Maintenance	June 28, 2010
Richard Karle	Summer Maintenance	July 5, 2010
Bridget Knott	Substitute Support	June 29, 2010
Judith Tessitore	Substitute Support	June 25, 2010

- 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*

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- c) Recommend the Board of Education appoint the following individuals for certain summer curriculum writing projects to be paid at the professional development rate of \$60.00 per hour:

<u>Employee:</u>	<u>Curriculum Project:</u>
Laurie Younger	Special Education – Grade 6 Mathematics
Laurie Younger	Special Education – Grade 6 Social Studies
Laurie Younger	Special Education – Grade 6 English Lit/Writing
Lorelei Stephens	Special Education – Grade 7 Mathematics
Kristen Saidler	Special Education – Grade 7 Social Studies
Kristen Saidler	Special Education – Grade 7 English Lit/Writing
Lorelei Stephens	Special Education – Grade 8 Mathematics
Kristen Saidler	Special Education – Grade 8 Social Studies
Lorelei Stephens	Special Education – Grade 8 English Lit/Writing
Jaime Herrman	Special Education – High School Self-Contained
Shari Coopersmith	Special Education – High School Self-Contained
Steven Corso	Social Studies – Gotham Elective (high school)
Scott Brennan	Sports Management Elective (high school)
Chris Warren	Video Production Elective (high school)
David Anzalone	Middle School Mathematics – Resource Guides
Jeanine Harris	Middle School Mathematics – Resource Guides
Linda Scotto	Middle School Mathematics – Resource Guides
Nicole Biscari	Elem/Inter – Science Curriculum
Amy Chiarello	Elem/Inter – Science Curriculum
Martha Simpson	Elem/Inter – Science Curriculum

- d) Recommend the Board of Education appoint Jessica Kennedy to the summer ELA Teaching position (small group instruction/credit recovery program) for 3.0 hours per day at the professional development rate of \$60.00 per hour.
- e) Recommend the Board of Education approve the salary for Joseph Stavish, a Microcomputer Repair Technician, at \$49,542 (this is a correction from the previous figure (\$49,449) reported in the July 1 agenda) for the 2010/2011 school year.

- f) Recommend the Board of Education approve an increase in the number of days of summer employment for the following Guidance Counselors (funding source: 611 ARRA grant). All of these counselors were approved for summer work at the regular board meeting of May 13, 2010.

Lee Bertram	High School	Additional 4 days	Total: 15 days
Robert Peters	High School	Additional 4 days	Total: 15 days
Lisa Sallie	High School	Additional 4 days	Total: 15 days
Lauren Buchholz	Middle School	Additional .5 days	Total: 10.5 days
Todd Schwartz	Middle School	Additional .5 days	Total: 10.5 days

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

*No recommendations at this time.*

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Board of Education Business Items

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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 TALX Corporation for the performance of comprehensive unemployment cost control services; 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 that the Board of Education approve CJI Consulting, Inc. to provide consulting services to the Special Education Department of Elwood UFSD as determined by the District, subject to negotiation and approval by Board counsel of a mutually acceptable agreement, said services to be billed at the rate of \$600 per diem and with an hourly rate of \$120 for less than three hours; *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.

**B2: Bid Awards**

**BOARD RESOLUTION – To award the bid for the Dust Collection System at the John H. Glenn High School:** *(Tab 2)*

**WEREAS**, on July 5, 2010, the Board of Education of the Elwood Union Free School District advertised for the re-bid of the New Dust Collection System at John Glenn High School contract;

**WHEREAS**, the Elwood Union Free School District received bids for the dust collection system on July 12, 2010; and



**WHEREAS**, Air Purifiers, Inc. submitted a bid proposal in the amount of \$31,750.00 for the provision and installation of the dust collection system;

**WHEREAS**, the District's Architect and Administration have reviewed the bids submitted by the bidders in connection with the Dust Collection System contract; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon said review, Air Purifiers, Inc. is the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with General Municipal Law section 103.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby awards the contract for the New Dust Collection System at John Glenn High School in accordance with the bid specifications.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** 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.

**B3: Health Service Contracts**

No recommended actions

**B4: Donations**

(Tab 3)

- A. Recommend that the Board of Education accept the donation from the Harley Avenue Primary School PTA in the amount of \$16,722 for the new Harley Avenue Playground. The appropriate revenue and expenditure accounts will be adjusted accordingly.
- B. Recommend that the Board of Education approve overnight trips for the varsity volleyball team to attend tournaments in Burnt Hills, NY, in September 2010 and to Horseheads, NY, in October 2010. For each trip, the district will be responsible for the cost of a yellow school bus transporting to a local event (estimated at \$525); *and* Recommend the Board accept the donation from the Elwood Athletic Club in the amount of \$1,600 to cover the remainder of Elwood's share of coach transportation to both events. The appropriate revenue and expenditure accounts will be adjusted accordingly.