

**ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**October 26, 2017**

**Elwood Middle School Library**

**MINUTES**

**A. CALL TO ORDER – 6:07 p.m.**

Mr. Tomeo moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussions related to personnel items and collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law at 6:07 p.m.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Present at Executive Session were: Julia Fried, James Tomeo, Heather Mammolito, Becky Marcus, Deborah Weiss, Dr. Kenneth Bossert, Keri Loughlin, and Maureen Hull.

It is noted that Mrs. Loughlin and Mrs. Hull were excused at 7:10 p.m.

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to end executive session at 7:29 p.m.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

**B. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – 7:36 p.m.**

Mr. Tomeo moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to reconvene into open session at 7:36 p.m.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Present:	Julia Fried	President
	James Tomeo	Vice President
	Heather Mammolito	Trustee
	Becky Marcus	Trustee
	Deborah Weiss	Trustee

Absent: none

Staff:	Dr. Kenneth Bossert	Superintendent of Schools
	Keri Loughlin	Assistant Superintendent/Business
	Maureen Hull	Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum
	Gene Tranchino	Exec. Director/Technology & Transportation
	Dianne Wilkinson	Exec. Director/Special Education
	Mary Lou Janelli	District Clerk

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

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

**(TAB A)**

1. September 28, 2017 Business Meeting

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve the minutes of September 28, 2017.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no

**E. COMMENDATIONS**

This section of the agenda gives the Board of Education/Administration an opportunity to publicly recognize and commend individuals for outstanding accomplishments or contributions made to Elwood schools.

The **Elwood School Board** was honored for their service to the school district and the community.

Nancy Barkocy was honored for her 20 years of service.

JoEllen McCarthy and Dr. Denise Toscano publicly recognized Elwood for hosting nErd Camp Long Island on November 4, 2017.

**F. BOARD RECOGNITION OF DONATIONS - None**

**G. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS / SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS REGARDING TONIGHT'S AGENDA – Dr. Kenneth R. Bossert**

1. Student Liaison -- Emma Koster

**H. 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 2351). 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.

**I. PRESENTATIONS**

1. Audit report presentation by Keri Loughlin, Assistant Superintendent for Business.
2. Fund balance and reserve fund update

**(TAB C)**

**J. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. NYSSBA Convention

**K. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**(TAB D)**

1. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the following:
  - a) Treasurer's Reports for the months ended June, July, August and September, 2017
  - b) Revenue Reports through September 30, 2017
  - c) Cash Flow Reports for general funds for the months of June, July, August and September, 2017
  - d) Budget Status Reports through September 30, 2017
  - e) Trial Balances Reports through September 30, 2017
  - f) Executive Summaries through September 30, 2017
  - g) School Lunch Fund report for the months of June, July, August and September, 2017
  - h) Extraclassroom Reports for the quarters ending June 30, 2017 and September 30, 2017
  - i) Claims Auditor Report for the month of September 2017
2. Recommend the Board approve the budget transfers.

Mrs. Marcus moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to approve the Financial Reports and Budget Transfers (Items K1 and K2), as presented to the Board at this meeting.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

**L. ACTION ITEMS**

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 E)**

2. **Special Education**

**(TAB F)**

- a. Recommend the Board approve the Committee on Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services for meetings held on May 9; September 18, 19; October 3, 4, 10, 11.
- b. Recommend the Board approve the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of

services for meetings held on September 20.

3. Recommend the Board approve the following resolution: **(TAB G)**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Elwood Board of Education accepts the Audit Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, as prepared by the firm R.S. Abrams & Co., LLP, Certified Public Accounts.

4. Recommend the Board approve the Corrective Action Plan for fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 Audit. **(TAB H)**

5. **Business Agenda** -- as per attached **(TAB I)**

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to approve action items L1 – L5, as presented to the Board at this meeting.  
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

**M. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA**

**N. COMMUNICATIONS** -- None

**O. RESIDENTS' REMARKS**

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**P. ADJOURNMENT – 9:05 p.m.**

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m.  
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Janelli  
District Clerk