

ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 25, 2018
Elwood Middle School Library

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussions related to collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law and the Superintendent’s Contract at 6:00 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 Dr. Bossert, Mrs. Loughlin and Mrs. Hull were excused at 6:32 p.m.

Mr. Tomeo moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to end executive session at 7:28 p.m.
 Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

B. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – 7:32 p.m.

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to reconvene into open session at 7:32 p.m.
 Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

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

Absent: none

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

Absent: Gene Tranchino Exec. Director/Technology & Transportation

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

(TAB A)

1. December 7, 2017 Business Meeting
 Mrs. Marcus moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve the minutes of December 7, 2017.
 Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no

2. January 11, 2018 Work Session

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to approve the minutes of January 11, 2018.
Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no, 1-abstention (Mammolito)

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. The following high school students were honored:

1. Elizabeth Choi – Violinist selected for the All-State Symphony Orchestra
2. Alexandra Vallejos – Alto selected for the NAFME All-National Choir

F. BOARD RECOGNITION OF DONATIONS

1. Ruder-Amico Family donation of \$976.76 to write off all negative student lunch account balances.
2. SPGI PAC Charity Match Program donation of \$240 to fund 2018 Regents Review programs at John H. Glenn High School.
3. Boyd PTA donation of \$500 to fund the STEAM Program.
4. Elwood Booster Club donations:
 - a. \$15,904 to fund the purchase of Google Expeditions glasses for the Middle School and High School.
 - b. \$400 to fund the STEAM Program.
 - c. \$3,248.32 to fund the purchase of a poster printer for Harley Avenue Primary School.

G. STUDENT LIAISON REPORT

Kathryn Zenobio

H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Kenneth R. Bossert – Legislative Update
Dr. Denise Toscano – Cultural Competency Committee Report

I. 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.

J. PRESENTATION

1. Budget Workshop #1 – Keri Loughlin, Assistant Superintendent for Business (TAB B)

K. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. *Draft* 2018-2019 Elwood Union Free School District Calendar (TAB C)

Mr. Tomeo moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to adopt the 2018-2019 Elwood Union Free School District Calendar, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
Motion carried. Vote: 3-yes (Fried, Mammolito, Tomeo), 2-no (Marcus, Weiss)

L. FINANCIAL MATTERS

(TAB D)

1. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the following:
 - a) Treasurer's Reports for the months ending November 30, 2017 and December 31, 2017
 - b) Revenue Report through December 31, 2017
 - c) Cash Flow Reports for general funds for the months of November and December, 2017
 - d) Budget Status Reports through December 31, 2017
 - e) Trial Balance Report through December 31, 2017
 - f) Executive Summary through December 31, 2017
 - g) Extraclassroom Report for the quarter ending December 31, 2017
 - h) Budget Transfer Report for the months of November and December, 2017
 - i) School Lunch Fund Reports for the months of November and December, 2017
2. Recommend the Board approve the budget transfers

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve the Financial Reports and Budget Transfers (Items L1 and L2), as presented to the Board at this meeting.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no

M. ACTION ITEMS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following business matters be approved:

1. Personnel Agenda and Addendum I -- as per attached (TAB E)

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to approve the Personnel Agenda and Addendum I (Action Item M 1), as presented to the Board at this meeting.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

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 1/16/17, 10/19/17, 11/15/17, 12/1/17, 12/12/17, 12/18/17, 12/19/17, 12/20/17, 12/21/17, 12/22/17, 12/28/17, 1/2/18, 1/12/18, and 3/8/18.
- 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 11/17/17, and 1/12/18.

Mrs. Marcus moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to approve the Special Education Action items (Items M 2a and M 2b), as presented to the Board at this meeting.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

3. Recommend the Board review the following policy changes (first reading): (TAB G)
a. Amended **Policy 1530 – Smoking and Other Tobacco on School Premises**

4. Recommend the Board adopt the amended Policy 9510 – Pay Rates for Temporary, Substitute and Student Employees (first and second reading) to align policy with New York State minimum wage laws, effective January 1, 2018. (TAB H)

5. Recommend the Board delete the following policies as recommended in the Policy Manual Compliance Review completed by NYSSBA as they are covered under existing Policy #9420 – Staff Evaluation: (TAB I)
a. **Policy #0330: Evaluation of Professional Staff**
b. **Policy #0340: Evaluation of Support Staff**

6. Recommend the Board adopt the following renumbered policies as recommended in the Policy Manual Compliance Review completed by NYSSBA: (TAB J)
a. Policy #0116 renumber to **Policy #0115: Student Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention**
b. Policy #0116-R renumber to **Policy #0115-R: Student Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention Regulation**
c. Policy #0116-E renumber to **Policy #0115-E: Harassment and/or Bullying Complaint Form**
d. Policy #4705 renumber to **Policy #4452: Tutoring**
e. Policy #5151-E.1, #5151-E.2, #5151-E.3, #5151-E.4, #5151-E.5, #5151-E.6, #5151-E.7 #5151-E.8 renumber all into **Policy #5151-E: Homeless Children Exhibit.**
f. Policy #6020 renumber to **Policy #6245: Fund Balance And Reserve Funds**
g. Policy #9123 renumber to **Policy #9150: Staff-Student Relations (Fraternization)**

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to approve Action Items M 3 – M 6, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

7. Business Agenda -- as per attached

(TAB K)

Mr. Tomeo moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve the Business Agenda (Item M 7), as presented to the Board at this meeting.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

N. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA

O. COMMUNICATIONS -- None

P. RESIDENTS' REMARKS

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Q. ADJOURNMENT – 10:08 p.m.

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Marcus seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:08 p.m.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Janelli
District Clerk