

ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Elwood, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION – REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

April 11, 2002

ELWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL

A. CALL TO ORDER – 8:07 p.m.

Present	John Santomauro	President
	Tracey Edwards	Vice President
	Bill Cameron	Member
	Michael Kaszubski	Member
Staff	Michael A. Maina	Superintendent
	Daniel E. Laub	Assistant Superintendent
	Robert Annucci	Assistant Superintendent
	David Cenerelli	Director of Special Education
	Nancy Raguzin	Treasurer (Absent)
	Carlene Granieri	District Clerk

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President, John Santomauro

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mr. Cameron seconded that the Board approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of March 14, 2002.
The motion was approved unanimously.

D. REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – Michael A. Maina

Thanked community members who wrote to Legislators re State Aid to Elwood. There is some movement in modification from Albany. Suffolk County experiencing the largest growth rate in student population in New York State. Elwood's pupil population growth was 20% over the past 5 years. Please continue with letter writing and communicate with Legislators that money on Long Island does not go as far as it does upstate.

Congratulated Mark Falco on being named Citibank/Channel 12 Scholar Athlete (formerly EAB/Ch. 12). Mark is Elwood's 10th winner of this award.

Also congratulated Elwood Middle School English Teacher Maria Smith who was recognized as Teacher of the Month by Hofstra and Newsday.

The Library vote will take place on Thursday, June 20, 2002. There will be an Information Meeting on Thursday, June 6, 2002. Mr. Santomauro and Mr. Cameron met with representatives from each Library District's Board but further clarification of the Boards' position is needed.

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The Board of Education will meet on April 23, 2002 to vote on the Annual BOCES Administrative Budget/Trustees Vote. The meeting will be a yes/no vote and will convene at 6:30 p.m. in the EMS auditorium.

The Informational Budget Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 18, 2002 at 8:00p.m. in the Elwood Middle School Auditorium at which time the School District Budget will be presented.

E. COMMENDATIONS – see Mr. Maina's report.

F. RESIDENTS' REMARKS – 8:15 – 8:31 p.m.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - (No Recommended Items)

H. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Treasurer's Report for the month ended February 28, 2002.
2. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Revenue Report for the month ended March 31, 2002.
3. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Budget Status Report for the Quarter ended March 31, 2002.
4. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Capital Projects Quarterly Report for the period ended March 31, 2002.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Mrs. Edwards moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded that the Board approve personnel items:

Retirement

Rita McCarroll

Food Service Worker

Instructional Appointment:

Neil Cifuentes

Teacher-Social Studies & Spanish

Other:

Emergency Reappointments

Susan Forgione

Substitute Teacher

Stanley Keslonsky

Substitute Teacher

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I. NEW BUSINESS

1. ACTION ITEMS – cont'd

Emergency Appointments

Bernard Buessereth

Lisa Cardillo

Lana Hedley

Karl Fassberger

Keri Masci

Substitute Custodian

Substitute Clerical

Substitute paraprofessional

On-call Guard

Substitute Teacher

Status Change– Paraprofessional

Mary Litwin

Increase hours to 5 Hours 50 minutes

Addition Interscholastic Coaching Staff

Jennifer Horton

Coach – EMS Girls' Track

Addendum to Approved 2001/02 Substitute List

The motion carried unanimously.

- b. Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mr. Santomauro seconded that the Board approve the Committee on Special Education's recommendations for students' Classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services dated *March 1; 13; 14; 18*.
The motion carried unanimously.
- c. Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mrs. Edwards seconded that the Board approve the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for student's classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services dated: *March 14*.
The motion carried unanimously.
- d. Mrs. Edwards moved and Mr. Cameron seconded that the Board adopt the district calendar for the 2002/03 school year.
The motion carried unanimously.
- e. Mrs. Edwards moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded that the Board *Reject* the Capital Projects bids for *AUDITORIUM SPECIALTIES* at James Boyd Intermediate School and for *WINDOW REPLACEMENT* at Harley Avenue Primary School.
The motion carried unanimously.

- f. Mrs. Edwards moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded that the Board award Capital Projects bids at James Boyd Intermediate Schools to the lowest responsible bidders meeting specifications:

<i>WINDOW REPLACEMENT</i>	Arrow Steel Window Corp.	\$572,400
<i>ASBESTOS ABATEMENT</i>	Fiber Control	78,800

The motion carried 3 ayes and 1 nay (Mr. Cameron).

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- g. Mr. Cameron moved and Mrs. Edwards seconded that the Board approve Change Order for Capital Projects work at Elwood/John Glenn High School by Statewide Roofing in the *credit* amount of \$3000.
The motion carried unanimously.
- h. Mrs. Edwards moved and Mr. Cameron seconded that the Board approve Change Order for Capital Projects work at James Boyd Intermediate School by Louis Piekut Electrical, Inc. in the *debit* amount of \$4656.
The motion carried 3 ayes and 1 nay (Mr. Cameron).
- i. Mrs. Edwards moved and Mr. Cameron seconded that the Board Recommend that the Board adopt the following:
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education sets June 20 as the voting date for library services for the fiscal year 2002/2003 preceded by an Informational Meeting on June 6.
The motion carried unanimously.
- j. Mrs. Edwards moved and Mr. Cameron seconded that the Board approve the following health services contracts for students attending private/parochial schools:

Commack UFSD	15 students	\$4701.45
Huntington UFSD	8 students	3924.08
Westbury UFSD	3 students	1487.91
Sachem CSD	2 students	1063.88
Jericho UFSD	1 student	589.09

The motion carried unanimously.

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Mr. Kaszubski commented on inaccurate statements made regarding his position on Board of Education matters.
- b. Mrs. Edwards requested that statements made by Board of Education Members at any public meeting be limited to issues, not personalities.
- c. Mr. Cameron requested that the Board fund hiring someone to review how many

students to expect if the Mediavilla project is authorized to proceed. The Board endorsed the candidacy of Harborfield's Judith Chen as Area 12 Director for New York State School Board Association.

J. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA

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K. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Thanks from Co-chairs Bill Clinton and Bob Dole for the generous support by the Middle School of "Families of Freedom Scholarship Fund."
2. Letter from Assembly Education Committee Chair Steven Sanders re support of Wicks Law.
3. Letter from Assembly Labor Committee Chair Catherine Nolan re support of Wicks Law.
4. Mr. Hannon's letter re agenda communications and Mr. Maina's response.

L. EXECUTIVE SESSION - none

M. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Edwards moved and Mr. Santomauro seconded that the Board adjourn at 9:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlene Granieri
District Clerk