

ELWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
BUDGET HEARING &
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 9, 2024

A. CALL TO ORDER – 5:39 p.m.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Mr. Scarola moved and Dr. Siddiqui 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 (the Taylor Law) at 5:39 p.m.

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

Present at Executive Session were: James Tomeo, Heather Mammolito, Thomas Scarola, Dr. Sara Siddiqui, Deborah Weiss, Kelly Fallon, Dr. Sonia Hood, Lorraine Dunkel and Eileen Kelly Gorman. Mr. Neil Block and Sophia Terrassi, Ingerman Smith LLP, district counsel joined the Executive Session at 6:05 p.m.

2. Mrs. Mammolito moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to end Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

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

C. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – 7:45 p.m.

1. Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to reconvene in to Open Session in the Elwood Middle School Auditorium at 7:45 p.m.

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

Present: James Tomeo	President
Heather Mammolito	Vice President
Thomas Scarola	Member
Dr. Sara Siddiqui	Member
Deborah Weiss	Member

Absent: None

Staff: Kelly Fallon	Interim Superintendent of Schools
Lorraine Dunkel	Assistant Superintendent/Business
Dr. Sonia Hood	Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum
Eileen Kelly Gorman	Assistant Superintendent/Special Education
Mary Lou Marx	District Clerk

Absent: None

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. April 11, 2024 and April 16, 2024 Regular Business Meetings

Mrs. Weiss moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meetings of April 11, 2024 and April 16, 2024.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

F. STUDENT LIAISON REPORT – Anthony Bell, Student Liaison to the Board

G. ACTION ITEM – Superintendent of Schools

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby appoints Dr. Gayle Steele as Superintendent of Schools of the Elwood Union Free School District and authorizes its President to execute an Agreement with Dr. Gayle Steele which sets forth the terms and conditions of her employment as the Superintendent of Schools for the period of time commencing July 1, 2024 and terminating on June 30, 2027. A copy of said Agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

Mr. Scarola moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to approved Item G.1, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

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

H. BRIEF RECESS FOR REFRESHMENTS AT 8:00 p.m. - Meeting resumed at 8:27 p.m.

I. BUDGET HEARING

1. Dr. Siddiqui moved and Mr. Scarola seconded a motion to open the Budget Hearing at 8:27 p.m. in the Elwood Middle School Auditorium.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.
2. Budget Presentation – Ms. Lorraine Dunkel, Assistant Superintendent for Business
3. Residents Remarks Regarding the Budget for 2024-2025
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, state whether they are a resident of the Elwood School District and any organization they represent at the meeting. Comments related to district business or any agenda item should be kept as brief as possible and may not exceed three minutes (Board Policy 1230). Questions or comments concerning matters which are not on the agenda will be taken under consideration and may be discontinued by the President. 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 be violated, is prohibited.
4. Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to close the Budget Hearing at 8:56 p.m. in the Elwood Middle School Auditorium.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

J. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Ms. Kelly Fallon

K. RESIDENTS’ REMARKS REGARDING THE AGENDA

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comments concerning matters which are not on the agenda will be taken under consideration and may be discontinued by the President. 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 be violated, is prohibited.

L. PRESENTATION

1. Curriculum Updates Presentation - Dr. Sonia Hood, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Dawn Valle, Director of Math, Science and Technology & Federal Grants K-12, and Pamela Fine, Director of Humanities

M. BOARD RECOGNITION OF DONATION

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the following donation, with gratitude:
 1. \$2,919.72 from the Elwood Booster Club to support the purchase of Art Materials and Supplies for Harley Avenue Primary School.

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to approved Item M.1, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

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

N. CONSENT AGENDA VOTE

1. Mrs. Mammolito moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to approve the amended consent agenda (Items O.1, P.1-P.2, P.5-P.30, Q.1-Q.4), and remove Items P.3-P.4 from consideration, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

O. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby acknowledges receipt for audit of the following reports:
 - a) Treasurer's Reports for February and March, 2024
 - b) Revenue Status Reports through February 29, 2024 and March 31, 2024
 - c) Cash Flow Reports for February and March, 2024
 - d) Budget Status Reports through February 29, 2024 and March 31, 2024
 - e) Trial Balance Reports through February 29, 2024 and March 31, 2024
 - f) Executive Summaries for February and March, 2024
 - g) Budget Transfer Reports for February and March, 2024
 - h) School Lunch Fund Reports for February and March, 2024
 - i) ExtraClassroom Activity Fund Reports for JGHS & EMS through March 31, 2024

P. ACTION ITEMS PERSONNEL

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Vicki Cacioppo, for the purpose of retirement, from her position as an Office Assistant, effective July 8, 2024.
2. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Elaine Geraghty, from her position as a Paraprofessional, effective June 26, 2024.

5. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Dawn Valle, from her position as Assistant Principal of Elwood Middle School, effective June 30, 2024.
6. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Dawn Valle, as the Director of Math, Science and Technology and Federal Grants K-12, effective July 1, 2024, with an annual salary of Step 10 as per the Agreement with the Council of Elwood Administrators.
7. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby confers tenure for the following:

Name	Tenure Area	Effective Date
Dawn Valle	Director of Math, Science and Technology & Federal Grants K-12	July 1, 2024
Emily Dana	Music	September 1, 2024
Dana Dorrian	Family and Consumer Science	September 30, 2024
Jill Greenblatt	Elementary Education	September 1, 2024
Deidra O'Brien	English	September 1, 2024
Kristen Poulos	Elementary Education	September 1, 2024
Laura Raimondi	ESL	September 1, 2024
Francisco Benavides	Teaching Assistant	September 1, 2024

8. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Lisa Cento, possessing Students with Disabilities (all grades) and Childhood Education 1-6 Certificates, to a three-year probationary term as a Special Education Teacher, in the Special Education tenure area, effective September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2027 at a salary of \$70,703 (MA Step 3). In order to be eligible for appointment to tenure, said teacher must have at least three years of effective or highly effective APPR ratings pursuant to Education Law Section 3012-d during the four year period prior to the proposed effective date of tenure and may not receive a rating of ineffective during the final year of probation.
9. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Kim Redmond as a Principal Account Clerk, in the competitive class of the civil service, to serve a twenty-six week probationary term commencing June 3, 2024, with compensation of \$65,000, pro-rated, for the 2023-2024 school year.
10. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Caroline Addeo, as a provisional Payroll Supervisor (12 month), in the competitive class of the civil service, effective June 5, 2024, at a salary of \$68,000, prorated, for the 2023-2024 school year.
11. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following Election Officials for the Annual Meeting of the Elwood Union Free School District to be held on May 21, 2024; and,
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the District Clerk to make any changes to the appointments or employ substitutes as deemed necessary.
Chairperson/Election Inspector: Rate of pay - \$16/hour

Patricia Grasso

Election Inspectors: Rate of pay - \$16/hour

Veronica Bohrer, Hilda Schulkind, Sam Batanchiev, Audrey Boodie, David Rigo, Michelle Lavitt, Ira Anekstein, Nancy Dunn, Rita Anilionis, Reba Voyages, Margaret Ippolito, Loretta Wilson

Election Inspectors: Rate of pay-Employee Hourly Rate

Nancy Mancini, Judith Tessitore, Medeline Palencia-Cordero

12. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Nicole Gualtieri, who holds a Teaching Assistant Level I Certificate, to a four-year probationary term as a Teaching Assistant, commencing on May 20, 2024 and terminating on May 19, 2028 in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant with compensation of \$25,718, prorated (Step 1).
13. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Jasmine White as a Permanent Substitute Teacher, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, at a rate of \$150.00 per day worked, effective May 10, 2024 through June 26, 2024.
14. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Thomas Zenobio as a Summer Custodial Worker, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, effective June 1, 2024 through September 2, 2024, at a rate of \$16.00 per hour.
15. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the change of employment status of Ron Carritue, Director of Facilities, from probationary to permanent, effective April 1, 2024, after successfully completing his probationary period.
16. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the 2024 summer hours for the following employees, based on anticipated enrollment, for the K-8 Summer Boost Program 2024, effective July 1 through July 24, 2024 with compensation as presented or pursuant to their corresponding collective bargaining agreements:

Name	Position	hours/rate of pay
Hermann, Jaime	Coordinator	\$66.00/hour plus an additional 10% differential not to exceed 53 hours
McLeod, Marsha	Coordinator	\$66.00/hour plus an additional 10% differential not to exceed 53 hours
Litterello, Nicole	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Vetter, Gloria	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Gallagher, Stephanie	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Chiarello, Amy	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Kerensky, Christina	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours

Locascio, Jill	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Palma, Danielle	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Viola, Tara	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Maggio, Karen	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Zielinski, Carolyn	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Itzler, Alex	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Shapiro, Bari	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Seilback, Leslie	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Morris, James	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Hemphill, Deborah	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Chan, Elle	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Daly, Sarah	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Woods, Susanne	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Dickens, Devon	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Sheahan, Melissa	Teacher	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours
Del-Negro, Michael	T/A	Employee hourly rate-not to exceed 42 hours
Romanchuk, Kristen	Psychologist	\$66.00/hour not to exceed 44 hours

17. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves additional compensation to the following teachers for the purpose of performing after-school Regents review, effective May 13, 2024, with compensation at the hourly rate of \$66.00 per hour:

Name	Subject Area	# of Sessions (1 session=1.5 hours)
James Maue	Global History	3
Richard Rose	US History	3
Sarah Santos-Camacho	Algebra II	3
Joseph Pushee	Algebra I	up to 6
Kimberly Barnes	Geometry	1
David Anzalone	Geometry	1
Brittany Chalmers	Geometry	1
Solomon Buchman	Physics	3
Lori Fornaro	Chemistry	2

Jennifer Champouillan	Chemistry	1
Linda Doyle	Earth Science	3
Cassandra Teevan	ELA	3
Allison Peiliker	ELA	2
Diane Warren	Flacs B-Spanish	3
Alessia Franco	Flacs B-Italian	2
Elena Jersey	Flacs B-Italian	1
Shannon Rooney	Living Environment	3
Patricia Farrell	ENL Support	up to 6
Laura Raimondi	ENL Support	up to 6
Jamie Lauth	Special Education Support/Social Studies & ELA	up to 6
Samantha Heuer	Special Education Support/Math	up to 6
Sima Lis	Special Education Support/Science	up to 6

- 18.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves additional compensation to the following teacher for the purpose of performing after-school Regents review, not to exceed 4.5 hours per person, for the 2023-2024 school year, with compensation at the hourly rate of \$66.00 per hour:

Name	Subject Area	School
Jonathan Mead	Earth Science	EMS

- 19.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Norma Ferrante as a part-time Paraprofessional (5 hours/day), in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to serve a thirty (30) month probationary term commencing May 10, 2024 at an hourly rate of \$16.00 per hour for the 2023-2024 school year.
- 20.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Michelle Doherty as a part-time Office Assistant (10 month-18 hours per week), in the competitive class of the civil service, to serve a twenty-six week probationary period, effective May 13, 2024, at a salary of \$15,445.00, prorated, for the 2023-2024 school year.
- 21.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as a mentor for the 2023-2024 school year, with compensation as presented.

Mentor	Period	Compensation
Cheri Murcott	2nd Semester	\$500

22. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as Harley after-school advisors to the corresponding clubs as presented:
 1-Cheri Murcott to Harley Maker Space Club (5 Sessions, May through June, 2024) - \$400
 2-Joanna Capitelli to Harley Dance Club (6 Sessions, January through February, 2024) - \$480
 3-Nicole Franz to Harley Art Club (10 Sessions, May through June, 2024) - \$800
 4-Kevin Lavey to Harley Morning Gym Games (5 sessions, May through June, 2024) - \$400

23. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby amends the following previously approved coach appointment, for the 2023-2024 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting:

Coaching Appointment	Building	Previously Appointed Advisor/Coach	Previous Appointment Date	Resignation	New Appointment	Effective Date	Stipend
Track Coach	EMS	John Ledda	February 8, 2024	Effective May 2, 2024	Todd Schwartz	May 2, 2024	\$2,695.50

24. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves additional compensation for the following Special Education Staff Members, for the purpose of reviewing and revising/finalizing 2024-2025 IEP's for students transitioning from CPSE to CSE programs, reviewing, revising and finalizing 2024-2025 IEP's and preparing prior written notices for parents, on June 27, 2024 and June 28, 2024, with compensation at their 2023-2024 daily/hourly rate:

Name	Title	Additional Hours
Jessica Jantzen	Special Education Teacher	up to 12 hours
Margaret Mahoney	K-8 Special Education Coordinator	up to 12 hours
Moira Citko	Secondary Special Education Coordinator	up to 12 hours

25. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following individuals for the Special Education Extended School Year Program which will run for three hours per day for the period July 1, 2024 through August 12, 2024, with compensation as presented or at their 2024-2025 contractual rate in accordance with their respective collective bargaining agreements:

Employee	Title	2023 Hours	Compensation
Dylan Kilkenny	Program Coordinator	Four hours per day, not to exceed 140 Hours total	\$66/Hour plus an additional 10% differential
Jessica Wulforst	Substitute Program Coordinator	Four hours per day, not to exceed 140 Hours total	\$66/Hour plus an additional 10% differential
Karen Wenda	School Nurse	Four hours per day, not to exceed 120 hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Laura Ioviero	Special Education Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
Lisa Cento	Special Education Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
Sima Lis	Special Education Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
Domenica Piccoli	Special Education Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
William Riedel	Special Education Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour

Mary Trimble	Special Education Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
Susan Campo	Special Education Substitute Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
Martine Pirolo	Special Education Substitute Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
Kristen Saidler	Special Education Substitute Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
Liam Thompson	Special Education Substitute Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
Valentina Parisi	Special Education Substitute Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
Joanna Capitelli	Speech Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
Catherine Carbone	Speech Teacher	Not to exceed 100 Hours	\$66/Hour
Victoria Feder	Teaching Assistant	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Peter Flanagan	Teaching Assistant	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Jeanne Kober	Teaching Assistant	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Samantha Messina	Teaching Assistant	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Valentina Parisi	Teaching Assistant	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Diane Sargent	Teaching Assistant	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Jill Szokoli	Teaching Assistant	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Liam Thompson	Teaching Assistant	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Jaclyn Tommer	Teaching Assistant	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Sarah Viesta	Teaching Assistant	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Michael DelNegro	Paraprofessional	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Lisa Fusaro	Paraprofessional	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate
Elizabeth Musi	Paraprofessional	Not to exceed 100 Hours	Employee Hourly Rate

26. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves 2024 summer hours for the following School Psychologists and Social Workers, for the purpose of reviewing and revising/finalizing 2024-2025 IEP's, participating in CSE meetings, conducting psychological testing, and providing social/emotional and behavioral support to students enrolled in the district, including providing therapy to students in a building sensory room, with compensation at their 2024-2025 hourly/daily rate:

Name	Summer Hours
Adam Goudreau	up to 20 hours
Bitu Mir	up to 20 hours
Dylan Kilkenny	up to 20 hours
Kristen Romanchuk	up to 20 hours
Joanna Sepp	up to 20 hours
Jessica Wulforst	up to 20 hours
Jesse Marroquin	up to 20 hours
Sherine DeJesus	up to 20 hours

27. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves 2024 summer hours for the following Special Education Teachers, for the purpose of reviewing and revising/finalizing 2024-2025 IEP's, preparing prior written notices for parents, participating in CSE meetings and conducting educational testing, with compensation at their 2024-2025 hourly/daily rate:

Name	Summer Hours
Martine Pirolo	up to 10 hours
Jill Locascio	up to 10 hours
Julian Gordon	up to 10 hours
Keri Thomas	up to 20 hours

Jessica Jantzen	up to 20 hours
Sima Lis	up to 10 hours
Domenica Piccoli	up to 20 hours
Lisa Cento	up to 20 hours
Megan DeSimone	up to 10 hours

28. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves 2024 summer hours for the following Speech Therapists, for the purpose of reviewing and revising, and draft goals for 2024-2025 IEP's, participating in CSE and CPSE meetings, and conducting speech testing, with compensation at their hourly/daily rate:

Name	Summer Hours
Joanna Capitelli	up to 20 hours
Catherine Carbone	up to 20 hours
Kristen Wertz	up to 20 hours

29. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the extension of the appointment of the following permanent substitute positions, who serve at the pleasure of the Board, through June 26, 2024, at their Board approved daily rates of pay:

Susanne Woods
Zakiya Celestine
Victoria Feder
Julia Murphy
Kathleen Maguire
Donna Dorsam
Peter Flanagan
Danielle Pineyro
Sarah Daly
Ann Gill
Malarie Feliccia
Lisa Fusaro
Matthew Cerrato

30. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the additional Substitutes, for the 2023-2024 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

Q. ACTION ITEMS - BUSINESS

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Business to make all necessary budgetary transfers for the end-of-year book closings.

2. RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ELWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:
Section 1. Tax Anticipation Notes (herein called "Notes") of Elwood Union Free School District, in the County of Suffolk, New York (herein called "District"), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$7,500,000, and any notes in renewal thereof, are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 24.00 and 39.00 of the Local

Finance Law, constituting Chapter -a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law").

Section 2. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The Notes shall be issued in anticipation of the collection of real estate taxes to be levied for school purposes for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025, and the proceeds of the Notes shall be used only for the purposes for which said taxes are levied.

(b) The Notes shall mature within the period of one year from the date of their issuance.

(c) The Notes are not issued in renewal of other notes.

(d) The total amount of such taxes remains uncollected at the date of adoption of this resolution.

Section 3. The Notes hereby authorized shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and shall be general obligations of the District, and the faith and credit of the District are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes and unless the Notes are otherwise paid or payment provided for, an amount sufficient for such payment shall be inserted in the budget of the District and a tax sufficient to provide for the payment thereof shall be levied and collected.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Law, and pursuant to Sections 50.00, 56.00, 60.00 and 61.00 of the Law, the power to sell and issue the Notes authorized pursuant hereto, or any renewals thereof, and to determine the terms, form and contents, including the manner of execution, of such Notes, and to execute tax certifications relative thereto, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the District.

Section 5. The Notes shall be executed in the name of the District by the manual signature of one of the following: the President of the Board of Education, the Vice President of the Board of Education, the District Treasurer, the District Clerk, or such other officer of the District as shall be designated by the chief fiscal officer of the District, and shall have the corporate seal of the District impressed or imprinted thereon which corporate seal may be attested by the manual signature of the District Clerk.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

3. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute an Agreement with Kiddie Care Early Learning Center and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing pre-kindergarten program services to the District, effective September 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
4. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, that pursuant to Section 912 of the Education Law, the Board of Education President and the Superintendent of Schools are hereby authorized to execute an agreement between the Elwood Union Free School District and the South Huntington Union Free School District for health and welfare services for resident students of the Elwood Union Free School District attending non-public schools in the South Huntington Union Free School District, in the amount of \$888.05 per eligible child for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 inclusive, and said agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
5. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, a motion to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Elwood Union Free School District solicited proposals for athletic training services for the 2024-2025 school year; and,
WHEREAS, on or about March 12, 2024, the School District received two (2) sealed proposals in response to the RFP;
WHEREAS, said proposals were reviewed and evaluated by the School District in accordance with the RFP;
WHEREAS, upon said review, the Administration recommends that St. Charles Hospital and Rehabilitation Center be awarded
for athletic training services as the proposal best meets the criteria in the RFP.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby awards the contract for the 2024-2025 athletic training services to St. Charles Hospital and Rehabilitation Center at a cost of \$19,500 annually.

R. ACTION ITEMS – OTHER

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby adopts the Board of Education meeting schedule, for the 2024-2025 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
2. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby adopts the following textbook for use in AP Psychology classes at Elwood-John H. Glenn High School:
"Meyers' Psychology for AP"
Publisher: BFW Publishers
Authors: Meyers, DeWall & Hammer
Copyright: 2024
3. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, charges are hereby preferred pursuant to Civil Service Law Section 75 against the employee named in the attached confidential Statement of Charges dated May 9, 2024, filed with the District Clerk;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Elwood Union Free School District hereby appoints Richard Thompson, Esq. as the Hearing Officer in this matter. The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with Section 75 of the Civil Service Law. Mr. Thompson shall cause a record to be made of such hearing, which will be referred to the Board, along with his recommendations for review and final decision by the Board;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Hearing on this matter will proceed on May 23, 2024 at 11:00 AM at the Elwood Union Free School District, 100 Kenneth Avenue, Greenlaw, New York 11740.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 75 of the Civil Service Law, the employee named in the attached confidential Statement of Charges dated May 9, 2024 is hereby suspended without pay effective May 10, 2024, for not more than thirty (30) days pending the hearing and determination of those charges.
4. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Committee and Subcommittee on Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 1/19/23, 3/5/24, 3/6/24, 3/7/24, 3/22/24, 4/4/24, 4/8/24, 4/18/24 and 4/17/24 and the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 10/17/23, 3/11/24, 4/2/24, 4/5/24, 4/9/24, 4/12/24, 4/16/24 and 4/19/24 for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes and appropriates the use of District funds necessary to implement the special education programs and services consistent with said recommendations.

S. **ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA** - None

T. **COMMUNICATIONS** - None

U. **RESIDENTS' REMARKS REGARDING MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE DISTRICT**

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, state whether they are a resident of the Elwood School District and any organization they represent at the meeting. Comments related to district business or any agenda item should be kept as brief as possible and may not exceed three minutes (Board Policy 1230). Questions or comments concerning matters which are not on the agenda will be taken under consideration and may be discontinued by the President. 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 be violated, is prohibited.

V. **ADJOURNMENT** – 9:44 p.m.

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:44 p.m.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Marx
District Clerk