

**ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 23, 2013
Elwood Middle School Auditorium - 7:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President

B. CALL TO ORDER – District Clerk 7:37 p.m.

Present:	Joseph Fusaro	President (7:39 p.m.)
	Dan Ciccone	Vice President
	Andrew Kaplan	Trustee
	William Gutekunst	Trustee
	Michael LaMena	Trustee

Staff:	Peter C. Scordo	Superintendent
	William Pastore	Asst. Superintendent/Business
	Gene Tranchino	Exec. Director/Technology & Transportation
	Dianne Wilkinson	Exec. Director/Special Education
	Nancy Mancini	District Clerk

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

(TAB A)

1. Special Meeting – April 12, 2013

Mr. LaMena moved and Mr. Gutekunst seconded a motion to approve the April 12, 2013 minutes. The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 abstentions (Mr. Ciccone, Mr. Kaplan)

2. Business Meeting – April 18, 2013

Mr. LaMena moved and Mr. Gutekunst seconded a motion to approve the April 18, 2013 minutes. The motion carried 4 ayes, 0 nays and 1 abstention (Mr. Ciccone)

3. Special Meeting – April 23, 2013

Mr. Kaplan moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded a motion to approve the April 23, 2013 minutes. The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 abstentions (Mr. LaMena, Mr. Gutekunst)

4. Budget Hearing/Special Meeting – May 9, 2013

Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded a motion to approve the May 9, 2013 minutes. The motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

D. ACTION ITEMS

(see TAB C)

Personnel Agenda A – attached

Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded a motion to approve the personnel agenda A. The motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Personnel Agenda B – attached

Mr. Kaplan moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded a motion to approve the personnel agenda B. The motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

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. Tonight we honor:

Staff members recommended for tenure. (see Tab C)

F. BOARD RECOGNITION OF DONATIONS

1. Girl Scouts – trees and plants for the Elwood Middle School courtyard
2. Brownie Troop 85 – young cherry tree for Harley Avenue Primary School
3. Box Tops for Education -- \$1,176.36 for the Harley Avenue Cultural Arts Program
4. Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards -- for the Harley Avenue Cultural Arts Program
5. John H. Glenn Football Alumni Association -- \$3,695.37 for the lift used in football games
6. Long Island Outlaws Lacrosse -- \$500 for grass seed for the fields
7. Final donation from the PTA for the 5th Grade Boat Trip

G. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS / SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS REGARDING TONIGHT'S AGENDA – Mr. Peter C. Scordo

1. Report from Lauren Fried, Student Liaison

H. RESIDENTS' REMARKS

I. PRESENTATIONS -- None

J. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Letter to Chancellor Merryl H. Tisch and Commissioner John B. King, Jr.

K. FINANCIAL MATTERS

(TAB B)

1. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the following:
 - a) Treasurer's Report for the month ended March 31, 2013
 - b) **and** Revenue Report for the month ended March 31, 2013
 - c) **and** Cash Flow Report for general funds for the month ended March 31, 2013
 - d) **and** Trial Balances Report for the month ended March 31, 2013
 - e) **and** Budget Status Report for the month ended March 31, 2013
 - f) **and** Extraclassroom Activity Fund Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2013

L. ACTION ITEMS

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

1. Special Education

- a. Recommend the Board approve the Committee on Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services:

Submitted to the Board

Meeting Dates

April 19

March 5, 18 (2 meetings), 19, 21; April 9, 10, 12 (3 meetings), 15 (2 meetings)

April 26

February 6 (3 meetings), 7; March 5 (2 meetings), 7, 11, 13, 14 (2 meetings); April 11, 17, 18, 19 (2 meetings), 22

May 1

February 19, 21, 22, 26, 28; March 6, 7, 20; April 3 (2 meetings), 4, 11, 17, 25

May 2

February 15, 22 (2 meetings), 26; March 4, 13 (2 meetings), 15, 20; April 3, 4 (2 meetings), 17

May 15

February 15, 20, 21 (2 meetings), 22, 25, 27 (3 meetings), 28, March 11 (3 meetings), 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, April 3 (2 meetings), 5, 26, May 6 (2 meetings), 7

May 16

February 7, 15, 20, March 5, 8, 13 (2 meetings), 15, 19 (2 meetings), 22, May 2, 6

- b. **and** Recommend the Board approve the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services:

Submitted to the Board

April 22

April 30

May 1

May 14

Meeting Dates

April 9, 16

April 9, 19

April 2, 19 (2 meetings)

April 16, May 7, 10 (2 meetings)

2. **and** Recommend the Board approve the schedule of Board of Education meetings for the 2013-14 school year. **(TAB D)**

3. **and Business Agenda** -- as per attached **(TAB E)**

Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded a motion to approve action items L1 – L3. The motion carried 4 ayes, 0 nays (Mr. Gutekunst was not in the room for this vote).

4. Recommend the Board accept the Official Vote Tallies for the School Board Election and Budget Vote held on May 21, 2013. **(TAB F)**

Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. LaMena seconded a motion to approve L4. The motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

M. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA

N. COMMUNICATIONS -- None

O. RESIDENTS' REMARKS

P. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:36 p.m., Mr. Kaplan moved and Mr. LaMena seconded a motion to go into executive session to discuss negotiations and personnel issues. The motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Q. ADJOURNMENT

At 11:05, Mr. Gutekunst moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Mancini
District Clerk