

**ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
September 26, 2013
Elwood Middle School Auditorium - 7:15 p.m.**

MINUTES

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President

B. CALL TO ORDER – District Clerk (7:44 p.m.)

Present:	Joseph Fusaro Dan Ciccone Andrew Kaplan	Trustee Trustee Trustee
Absent:	William Gutekunst Michael LaMena	Trustee Trustee
Staff:	Peter C. Scordo William Pastore Gary Furman Diane Wilkinson Gene Tranchino Nancy Mancini	Superintendent Asst. Superintendent/Business Asst. Superintendent/Curriculum Exec. Director/ Special Education Exec. Director/Technology & Transportation District Clerk

C. EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

(TAB A)

1. Special Meeting – August 15, 2013
Tabled
2. Business Meeting – August 29, 2013
Mr. Kaplan moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded a motion to approve the August 29, 2013 minutes.
The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.
3. Special Meeting/Work Session – September 12, 2013
Tabled

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:

Matthew McGuire, Middle School technology teacher, for being recognized in a national publication: *Tech & Learning*, "What to Do With It – Best Practices from Grant-Winning Districts" by Ellen Ullman, June 25, 2013

Graceanna Maiello (teacher) and Elwood graduates ***Francesca Rubino, John Hoolahan and Lauren Schuessler*** for being awarded grants for their educational trips to Italy

F. BOARD RECOGNITION OF DONATIONS

1. Elwood Booster
 - a. \$2,500 to establish and support an environment club at the high school
 - b. \$2,500 to establish and support an international club at the middle school
2. Target – Take Charge of Education
 - a. \$466.99 to the middle school
 - b. \$402.65 to the high school

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

1. Report from Student Liaison -- Giro Dilillo

H. RESIDENTS' REMARKS

I. PRESENTATIONS -- *None*

J. FINANCIAL MATTERS -- *None*

K. DISCUSSION ITEMS -- *None*

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 B)

2. 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
September 16

Meeting Dates
May 21, July 31 (2 meetings), August 15, 22,
September 11

- b. 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
September 16

Meeting Dates
August 7 (3 meetings), 14 (2 meetings)

3. Recommend the Board approve the revised schedule of Board of Education meetings for 2013-2104 to change the February 6, 2014 meeting to January 30, 2014.

(TAB C)

4. Recommend the Board adopt the following revised policies (*first reading*):

(TAB D)

Policy Number	Title
1050	Annual District Election and Budget Vote
4321.7	Districtwide and Statewide Assessments of Students with Disabilities
5220	School Sponsored Student Expression
5500	Student Records
6100	Annual Budget
6150	Budget Transfers
6240	Investments
6255	Gifts and Grants
6690-E	Audit Committee Charter
6700	Purchasing
8334	Use of District Credit Cards
8630	Computer Resources
9240	Recruiting and Hiring

5. **Business Agenda** -- as per attached

(TAB E)

Mr. Kaplan moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded a motion to approve Action Items 1-5. The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.

M. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA

N. BOARD APPOINTMENTS -- Other

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education make the following appointments:

1. Audit Committee for 2013-14

William M. Comeau
Andrew Kaplan
Michael Kaszubski

Tim Mayette
Ken Rubin

Mr. Kaplan moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded a motion to approve the members of the 2013-2014 Audit Committee excluding Andrew Kaplan (tabled) and Tim Mayette due to his appointment as District Treasurer. The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.

2. Appointment of Tim Mayette as District Treasurer

(TAB F)

Mr. Kaplan moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded a motion to approve the appointment of Tim Mayette as District Treasurer. The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.

O. COMMUNICATIONS -- None

P. RESIDENTS' REMARKS

Q. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:25 p.m., Mr. Kaplan moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel, negotiations and volunteers for the audit committee. The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.

At 10:37 p.m., Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded a motion to end executive session. The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded a motion to approve the addendum I to the original personnel agenda. The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.

(TAB G)

R. ADJOURNMENT

At 10:39 p.m., Mr. Kaplan moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Mancini
District Clerk