

ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Elwood, New York

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING -- BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 31, 2006
Elwood Middle School Auditorium - 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER – 7:03 p.m.

B. Motion by Mr. Ciccone, seconded by Mr. Fusaro, to go into executive session to discuss legal and personnel matters and negotiations. The motion passed unanimously, 3-0. (Mrs. Annunziata arrived during executive session, Mrs. Badlato was absent.)

C. At 8:21 p.m. motion by Mrs. Annunziata, seconded by Mr. Ciccone, to end executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

D. CALL TO ORDER – District Clerk 8:25

Present	Michael Kaszubski	President
	Joseph Fusaro	Vice President
	Dina Annunziata	Member
	Julie Badlato	Member (Absent)
	Dan Ciccone	Member
Staff	Dr. William Swart	Superintendent
	Robert Annucci	Assistant Superintendent/Human Resources
	John Hogan	Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum
	David Cenerelli	Director/Special Education
	Peggy Pietzak	District Clerk

E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. Reorganization/Business Meeting – July 5, 2006
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
2. Special Meeting – July 18, 2006
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
3. Special Meeting – August 15, 2006
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
4. Special Meeting – August 24, 2006
Amend the minutes to reflect that Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded motion to approve Burton Behrendt Smith to provide architectural and engineering services for the masonry restoration and façade rehabilitation projects (Action Item D). The motion passed 3 ayes, 1 nay (Mrs. Annunziata) and 1 abstention (Mrs. Badlato).
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded minutes as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

G. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – Dr. William J. Swart
Schools are ready to open. The facilities and grounds are prepared.

Student, class and bus schedules are in place. Transportation hot line established 9/6 – 9/8 from 3pm – 5 pm.

Working on goals for 2006 – 2007. They should be posted by mid September.

PTA Cultural Arts have prepared meaningful cultural arts experiences for the students.

Lead teachers will be working on assessments that align with curriculum guides from last year.

Welcome new teachers. They have excellent credentials and we wish them well.

Community gathering to be held on September 15th at approximately 5:00 pm.

November 7th, Superintendent's Conference Day, we will focus on school safety. Variety of topics and training including, but not limited to, school safety, anti bullying, workday safety, and protocol for catastrophe, natural or of a political base.

H. **COMMENDATIONS** – (*Deferred until schools reopen.*)

I. **RESIDENTS' REMARKS** – 8:31 – 8:40

J. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** -- No Recommended Items

K. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Treasurer's Report for the month ended June 30, 2006.
2. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Revenue Report for the month ended June 30, 2006.
3. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Extra Classroom Fund Reports (High School and Middle School) for the quarter and year ended June 30, 2006.
4. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Budget Status Report for the period ended June 30, 2006.

L. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. **DISCUSSION ITEMS** -- No Recommended Items

2. **ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Recommend the Board approve personnel items as amended to exclude Lisa Fusaro. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
Personnel Actions -Tab C, Page 5, delete #9
Mrs. Annunziata moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded motion to appoint Lisa Fusaro as a substitute teacher. The motion carried 3 ayes and 1 abstention (Mr. Fusaro).
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded a motion to appoint Marianne Migut as Junior Varsity Soccer Coach. The motion carried unanimously.
Mr. Annucci noted for the record that Andrea LoPipero is related to Theresa LoPipero, a teaching assistant.

Resignations:

<i>Heather Baker</i>	<i>Kindergarten Teacher</i>
<i>Elizabeth Bromley</i>	<i>School Media Specialist (Library)</i>
<i>Amy Culver</i>	<i>Teaching Assistant</i>
<i>Nicole Kelly</i>	<i>English Teacher</i>
<i>Jonathan Waters</i>	<i>Teaching Assistant</i>
<i>Ellen Bailey</i>	<i>Paraprofessional</i>
<i>Savvas Efstathiadis</i>	<i>Custodial Worker II</i>
<i>Donna Lawrence</i>	<i>Paraprofessional</i>
<i>Melanie Plackis</i>	<i>Paraprofessional</i>

Appointments:

<i>Jessica Adamowicz</i>	<i>English Teacher</i>
<i>Gerielen Bodenburg</i>	<i>Teaching Assistant</i>
<i>John Day</i>	<i>Teaching Assistant</i>
<i>Christine King</i>	<i>School Media Specialist (Library)</i>
<i>Wendy LaMountain</i>	<i>Science Teacher (Chemistry/Physics)</i>
<i>Diane Lipari</i>	<i>Social Studies Teacher</i>
<i>John Lonigro</i>	<i>Kindergarten and Remedial Math Teacher</i>
<i>Katherine McFadden</i>	<i>Teaching Assistant</i>
<i>Jennifer Schechter-Lyons</i>	<i>Teaching Assistant [withdrawn]</i>
<i>Deanna Tantillo</i>	<i>Teaching Assistant (Computers)</i>
<i>Michael Zagari</i>	<i>Teaching Assistant</i>
<i>Patricia Borodin</i>	<i>Food Service Worker</i>
<i>Sharon Cappiello</i>	<i>Paraprofessional</i>
<i>Richard Milliken</i>	<i>Maintenance Mechanic III</i>

Other:

- *Emergency appointments and reappointments*
- *Appointment of Custodial Worker II at Boyd*
- *Memorandum of Agreement between the District and Nurses 7/1/06 – 6/30/08*
- *Memorandum of Agreement between the District and Cafeteria Staff 7/1/06 – 6/30/09*
- *Changes in Coaching recommendations for Junior Varsity Football Coach and Assistant Coach and Girls' Varsity Soccer Coach*
- *Revised schedule of Special Education related services teachers for 2006/2007 school year*
- *Schedule of Substitute Teachers/Nurses for 2006/2007*

- b. Recommend the Board approve the Committee on Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services for meetings held on May 3, 4, 11, and 16; June 14; August 2 and 3.
- c. **and** the Board approve the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services for meetings held on July 20. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- d. Recommend the Board approve health service contracts for students attending private/parochial schools:
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| <i>UniondaleUFSD</i> | <i>1 student</i> | <i>\$ 497.76</i> |
| <i>Commack</i> | <i>8.5 students</i> | <i>3,298.08</i> |
- Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- e. Recommend the Board approve the acceptance of a \$1,000.00 grant from the James Boyd Intermediate School PTA for the sole purpose of starting a book club at James H. Boyd Intermediate School during the 2006/2007 school year.
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- f. Recommend the Board approve the disposal of an obsolete General Electric television Serial Number 922420348 at Elwood-John Glenn High School.
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- g. Recommend the Board approve the following policy (*second reading*):
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| <i>Policy IABA</i> | <i>Wellness Policy</i> |
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- Amend page 3 line 4, second to last sentence of the paragraph, "Celebrations of any nature that include food will be limited to one per week and take place during snack time or at alternate time deemed appropriate by the classroom teacher." Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously as amended.
- h. Recommend the Board approve the disposal of obsolete books from the Boyd Intermediate School library. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- i. Recommend the Board approve the removal of obsolete computers and equipment for donation to the LINCT Coalition and the National Cristina Foundation.
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- j. Recommend the Board approve new school hours for Elwood Middle School as follows:
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| <i>arrival 8:25 a.m.</i> |
| <i>departure 3:08 p.m.</i> |
- Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- k. Recommend the Board approve the extension of the agreement with the Town of Huntington for radar speed monitor to terminate June 30, 2007. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- l. Recommend the Board award the LISFSDA food service bids as recommended by the Long Island Schools Food Service Directors Association. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- m. Recommend the Board of Education approve the addition of Dianne Wilkinson as Chairperson of the Committee on Preschool Special Education. Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- n. Recommend the Board approve contracts with agencies providing special education services under the federal IDEA Part B, Section 611 and 619 funds flow-through program and authorize the Board President to sign these contracts. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- o. Recommend the Board approve the continued use of Harley, Boyd and the Middle School for before and after school child care program by Elwood Care for 2006/2007. Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

M. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA

N. COMMUNICATIONS

O. RESIDENTS' REMARKS – None

P. ADJOURNMENT - Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded motion to adjourn meeting at 9:18 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pietzak
District Clerk