

ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Elwood, New York

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING -- BOARD OF EDUCATION

November 16, 2006
Elwood Middle School Auditorium - 8:00 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER – District Clerk (8:20)

Present	Michael Kaszubski	President
	Joseph Fusaro	Vice President
	Dina Annunziata	Trustee
	Julie Badlato	Trustee
	Dan Ciccone	Trustee
Staff	Dr. William Swart	Superintendent
	Dr. Howard Koenig	Action Assistant Superintendent/Business
	Robert Annucci	Assistant Superintendent/Human Resources
	John Hogan	Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum
	Peggy Pietzak	District Clerk

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S) (TAB A)

1. Special Meeting – October 5, 2006
Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried 4 ayes,
1 abstention (Mrs. Annunziata)
2. Regular Business Meeting – October 12, 2006
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Badlato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
3. Special Meeting – November 2, 2006
Mrs. Annunziata moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

D. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – Dr. William J. Swart

Matthew Mannin served as student liaison and gave his report.

Dr. Swart indicated two topics of discussion for this evening:

Harley Avenue celebrated its 40th birthday on Monday, November 13th. Congratulations to everyone on the staff and in the community.

Discussion about a resolution relative to a proposition for bond issue for brick and masonry work at the middle school and high school. Background information and architectural reports were read. A vote will be held on January 30th by the voters of this district.

E. COMMENDATIONS – Liz Held and Frank Schiraldi were honored for recognition in Who's Who Among America's Teachers.

F. RESIDENTS' REMARKS – (8:30 8:50)

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS -- None

H. FINANCIAL MATTERS

(TAB B)

1. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Treasurer's Report for the month ended September 30, 2006.
2. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Revenue Report for the month ended October 31, 2006.
3. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Extraclassroom Fund Reports (High School and Middle School) for the quarter ended September 30, 2006.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. New York State School Boards Custom Policy Manual Service

(TAB C)

2. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Recommend the Board approve personnel items.
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB D)**
- 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 October 5, 11, 12, 25 (2 meetings), November 3 and 8,
- 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 October 19 and November 2.
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Badlato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- d. Recommend the Board approve the disposal of an obsolete Ricoh printer from the District Office, **(TAB E)**
- e. **and** the Board approve the disposal of obsolete audio visual equipment from Elwood-John Glenn High School, **(TAB F)**
- f. **and** the Board approve the disposal of a freezer at James H. Boyd Intermediate School. **(TAB G)**
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- g. Recommend the Board accept the donation of a golf cart from the Elwood Soccer Club.
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- h. Recommend the Board approve the following resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Elwood Union Free School District, acting as the Lead Agency, has determined that the masonry reconstruction work proposed at the John Glenn High School and at Elwood Middle School is a Type II action under SEQRA Law and represents routine activities of educational institutions. This work will not have any significant adverse impact on the environment."
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- i. Recommend the Board approve the submission of the masonry reconstruction proposition to the voters on January 30, 2007. **(TAB H)**
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- j. Recommend the Board vote for Judith Chen in a runoff election for a two-year term as a member of the New York State School Boards Association Board of Directors. Mrs. Annunziata moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Swart made a motion to place 2K and 2L on the agenda. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Badlato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- k. Recommend the Board accept a \$1,000 donation from Covanta Energy to be used to support the cost of the high school students' music trip to Florida. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Badlato seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- l. Recommend the Board approve an agreement between the New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA) and the Elwood Union Free School District for the purpose of developing an Essential Policy Reference Manual for the District at a cost of \$8,500.00. Mrs. Badlato moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried 4 ayes and 1 nay (Mr. Ciccone)

J. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA - None

K. COMMUNICATIONS

L. RESIDENTS' REMARKS – (9:45 – 9:55)

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION – At 9:50 Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded a motion to go into executive session to discuss negotiations. The motion carried unanimously.

N. ADJOURNMENT - At 12:07 am Mrs. Annunziata moved and Mrs. Badlato seconded a motion to adjourn executive session and end the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pietzak
District Clerk