

ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Elwood, New York

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING -- BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**August 30, 2007**  
**Elwood Middle School Auditorium - 7:30 p.m.**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**A. CALL TO ORDER** – District Clerk ( 7:30 pm)

Present:	Michael Kaszubski	Trustee
	Joseph Fusaro	Trustee
	Dina Annunziata	Trustee
	Dan Ciccone	Trustee
	Andrew Kaplan	Trustee (absent)
Staff:	Dr. William Swart	Superintendent
	William Pastore	Asst. Superintendent/Business
	Robert Annucci	Asst. Superintendent/Human Resources
	Dr. Sophia Gary	Director Curriculum/Instruction
	David Cenerelli	Asst. Superintendent/Pupil Personnel Services
	Peggy Pietzak	District Clerk

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Board President

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)**

**(TAB A)**

1. Reorganization Meeting/Regular Business Meeting – July 5, 2007  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
2. Special Meeting – July 17, 2007  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Brief update on summer activities:

There is a fine article in The Long Islander that features Elwood, with overview of last year's accomplishments and this year's plans.

Very pleased with about every phase of the summer construction.

The Capital Project that was approved last January for masonry restoration finished on time and almost \$40,000 under budget..

New computer room in the middle school is complete and new computers should be in place by September 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup>.

Harley courtyard irrigation system works. Playground was installed.

Boyd library now has new floor, ceiling, air conditioning, ceiling fans, storage area and additional computers. A new circulation desk was ordered, but will be delayed. It is being manufactured specifically for us.

Transportation will hopefully be a smooth transition. There will be a transportation hotline for three days from September 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>. The number is 266-5509 and will operate from 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm.

Thanks to technology department for a fine report and recommendations given on August 20<sup>th</sup>. I will encourage the Board to think carefully about the recommendation for an Education Technology Specialist. We hope to give that recommendation every consideration.

- E. **COMMENDATIONS** - At this meeting, we honored:  
*Michael Scarpinito "Who's Who Among America's Teachers"*  
*Christopher Wicks, Eagle Scout*  
Both honorees were unable to attend.

F. **RESIDENTS' REMARKS** – None

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

H. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

(TAB B)

1. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Treasurer's Report for the months ended June 30 and July 31, 2007.
2. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Revenue Report for the months ended June 30 and July 31, 2007.
3. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Extraclassroom Fund Reports (High School and Middle School) for the quarter and year ended June 30, 2007.
4. Recommend the Board approve the enclosed budgetary transfers.  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

I. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- a. Proposed \$15,000 Change Order -- Saracino Construction

(TAB C)

2. **ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Recommend the Board approve personnel items.  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried 3 ayes 0 nays 1 abstention (Mr. Fusaro).

(TAB D)

Correction – P8c should read Patricia instead of Patrick.

- 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 March 21, June 5, 7, 12, 13, 15, 18, 21, 25, August 9, 13, 14, 20 (2meetings),

- 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 June 21, July 12 (2meetings), 31, August 1.  
Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- d. Recommend the Board enter into agreements to sub-allocate Federal IDEA Flow-through Funds for agencies providing special education services under the Federal IDEA Part B, Section 611 and Section 619 funds flow-through program for 2007/2008.  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

(TAB E)

- e. Recommend the Board award the LISFSDA food service bids as recommended by the Long Island Schools Food Service Directors Association.  
Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

(TAB F)

- f. Recommend the Board approve the continued use of Harley, Boyd and Elwood Middle School for before- and after-school child care programs by HarleyCare for 2007/2008.  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

(TAB G)

- g. Recommend the Board approve the Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program CoSer 612 Resolution "A" with Eastern Suffolk BOCES for the 2007/2008 school year.  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

(TAB H)

- h. Recommend the Board approve the agreement with New York Therapy Placement Services for the 2007/2008 school year. **(TAB I)**  
Item tabled.
- i. Recommend the Board approve the services contract with Syosset Home Tutoring for the 2007/2008 school year. **(TAB J)**  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- j. Recommend the Board approve the 2007/2008 Town of Huntington Tax Levy of \$32,934,223. **(TAB K)**  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- k. Recommend the Board approve the following resolution: **(TAB L)**  
"BE IT RESOLVED that the Elwood Board of Education accepts the Internal Audit for the period July 1, 2006 through April 30, 2007 as prepared by R.F. Abrams, Certified Public Accountants."  
Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- l. Recommend the Board accept the donations of \$100 from the Suffolk County Homemakers and \$1,200 from the John Glenn Football Alumni. **(TAB M)**  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried 3 ayes 0 nays 1 abstention (Mr. Kaszubski).
- m. Recommend the Board award the transportation contract for 2007/2008 to Huntington Coach pursuant to the terms and conditions specified and agreed to in the District RFP. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- n. Recommend the Board revise the approved List of Depositories designated on July 5, 2007 to include:
 

	HSBC
	State Bank of Long Island
	MBIA Class

 Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- o. Recommend the Board approve health services contracts for the 2006/2007 school year for students attending private/parochial schools: **(TAB N)**

<i>Uniondale UFSD</i>	<i>1 student</i>	<i>\$ 545.74</i>
<i>Commack UFSD</i>	<i>6 students</i>	<i>2,542.68</i>

 Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- p. Recommend the Board approve the revised appointment with Nawrocki Smith LLP for independent (external) auditing services for 2007/2008 for \$36,000. **(TAB O)**  
Item tabled.
- q. Recommend the Board approve the attached goals for the 2007/2008 school year. **(TAB P)**  
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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

**K. COMMUNICATIONS**

**L. RESIDENTS' REMARKS – None**

**M. EXECUTIVE SESSION -- No Recommended Items**

**N. ADJOURNMENT – At 8:05 p.m. Mr. Ciccone moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pietzak  
District Clerk