

**ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 16, 2015
Elwood Middle School Auditorium - 7:30 p.m.**

AGENDA

- A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Board President (7:30 p.m. – 7:35 p.m.)
- B. CALL TO ORDER** – District Clerk
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)** (7:35 p.m. – 7:40 p.m.) (TAB A)
1. Business Meeting – March 19, 2015
- D. COMMENDATIONS** (7:40 p.m. – 7:50)
- 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:
- MoMathlon Competition winners:
Drew Kuroda (2nd Individual) and Peter Vouthas (1st Mixed Team)*
- Lauren Scott-Mohammed, winner of a Western Suffolk BOCES scholarship award presented by the Suffolk Region PTA Board of Managers*
- E. BOARD RECOGNITION OF DONATIONS** (7:50 p.m. – 8:05 p.m.)
- a. Grants awarded to staff by the Elwood Education Endowment in the amount of over \$34,000:
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| <i>Domenick Abbate, Therese Regan</i> | <i>Smartphone Microscope</i> |
| <i>Domenick Abbate</i> | <i>Aspire 3D Software for the CNC Router</i> |
| <i>Krista Albrecht</i> | <i>Beyond the Classroom with Worldwide Collaboration</i> |
| <i>Patricia Farrell</i> | <i>English Language Learner Family Reading Slumber Party</i> |
| <i>Donna Fife</i> | <i>Read the Book Before It Hits the Theaters</i> |
| <i>Pam Fine, Denise Toscano</i> | <i>What's in the Bag?</i> |
| <i>Karen Gellert</i> | <i>EMusic Theory Subscription for HS Orchestra Students</i> |
| <i>Dr. Hugh Gigante</i> | <i>Large Format Printing as a Tool to Enhance Student Collaboration and Learning Experiences</i> |
| <i>Eleanor Grady, Amy Lindenbaum</i> | <i>Yoga for the Mind</i> |
| <i>Liz Held</i> | <i>I Think iPad .. I Think iPad!</i> |
| <i>Laura Irace</i> | <i>The Chromebook Connection II</i> |
| <i>Eileen Kelly-Gorman</i> | <i>Hands on Math!</i> |
| <i>Kathleen Marinelli</i> | <i>On the Road Again ... Taking Technology on the Road Again</i> |
| <i>Rachel Nagle</i> | <i>Professional Choral Workshop with Dr. David Fryling of Hofstra U</i> |
| <i>Elissa Toubin</i> | <i>Inquiring Minds: A Resource Library for All Learners</i> |
- b. Elwood Booster Club donation of \$1,682.13 to fund transportation related expenses in connection with the Elwood Middle School Italian Food Tour of New York.
- F. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS / SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS REGARDING TONIGHT'S AGENDA** – Mr. Peter C. Scordo (8:05 p.m. – 8:10 p.m.)
1. Report from Brooke Thornhill, Student Liaison

G. RESIDENTS' REMARKS (8:10 p.m. – 8:25 p.m.)

The Board encourages all residents to attend its meetings, and this section of the agenda affords them the opportunity to speak. Persons wishing to speak should identify themselves and any organization they represent at the meeting. Comments should be kept as brief as possible and may not exceed three minutes (Board Policy 3452). Public discussion of matters relating to staff, students, or others at which their reputations, privacy or right to due process could be in some way violated is prohibited.

H. BUDGET DISCUSSION -- (8:25 p.m. – 9:10 p.m.)

Budget overview, including

- a) Citizens' Finance/Budget Advisory Committee (CF/BAC) presentation
- b) Finalization of the 2015-16 budget

I. BUDGET ADOPTION* (9:10 p.m. – 9:15 p.m.)

** The budget will be set at this meeting subject to discussions and deliberations by the Board at this meeting.*

Recommend the Board adopt the following proposed resolution to submit the 2015/2016 budget to the district voters:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Elwood Board of Education submit the proposed 2015/2016 budget to the district voters on May 19, 2015 in the amount of \$ _____ and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education submit the proposed tax report card as required by Sections 1608,1716(7) and 2601-a(3) of the Education Law.

NOTE: This budget represents a _____ % increase over the 2014-15 budget and a \$ _____* increase in spending over the 2014-15 budget. The estimated tax levy increase in dollars and percentage will be set at this meeting.*

J. FINANCIAL MATTERS (9:15 p.m. – 9:20 p.m.) (TAB B)

1. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the following:

- a) Claims Auditor Reports dated March 12 and 26, 2015

K. ACTION ITEMS (9:20 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.)

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 C)

2. Special Education

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

<u>Submitted to the Board</u>	<u>Meeting Dates</u>
March 20	January 13; February 3 (2 meetings), 11, 13; March 2
March 27	January 13, 30; February 9, 13; March 3, 11
April 7	January 15; February 9

- 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
March 16

Meeting Dates
January 29; February 10, 13; March 3, 10

3. Recommend the Board adopt amended Policy 5405 – Wellness Policy (*second reading*). (TAB D)
4. **Business Agenda** -- as per attached (TAB E)

L. **ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA**

M. **COMMUNICATIONS** -- None

N. **RESIDENTS' REMARKS**

(9:30 p.m. – 9:45 p.m.)

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O. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Legal matters
2. Personnel matters

P. **ADJOURNMENT**

ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Elwood, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION PERSONNEL ACTIONS

April 16, 2015

KEY:	P-1: Position Abolition	P-6: Tenure Appointments
	P-2: Position Creation	P-7: Other Appointments
	P-3: Resignations	P-8: Other
	P-4: Leaves	P-9: Changes in Table of Organization
	P-5: Terminations	

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following personnel action items:

P-1-- Position Abolitions: No Recommended Actions

P-2-- Position Creations: No Recommended Actions

P-3-- Resignations: No Recommended Actions

P-4-- Leaves:

A) Instructional:

1) **JOANNA SEPP**

Position

Assignment

Effective Date

Reason

School Social Worker

Elwood-John H. Glenn High School

April 20, 2015 through June 30, 2015

Personal Leave

P-5-- Terminations: No Recommended Actions

P-6-- Tenure Appointments: No Recommended Actions

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P-7-- Other Appointments:

A) Instructional:

1) **LORI FORNARO**

Position	Science Teacher
Type of Appointment	Probationary
Assignment	Elwood-John H. Glenn High School
Effective Date	September 1, 2015
Certification	Conditional Initial Chemistry 7-12 and Biology 7-12
Expiration Date	August 31, 2019
Tenure Eligibility	September 1, 2019
Tenure Area	Science
Salary	MA, Step 7
Reason	To fill a vacant position on the Table of Organization

P-8-- Other (*all compensation items are included in the 2014-15 budget*):

- a) Recommend the Board of Education approve Jonathan Mead as the JV Boys' Tennis Coach with the corresponding stipend of \$5,447.
- b) Recommend the Board of Education approve Elizabeth Jean-Louis as an ELL Tutor at the Elwood-John H. Glenn High School with compensation at the Professional Development rate of \$66.00 per hour.
- c) Recommend the Board of Education approve Eric Bellamore, a permanent substitute at the Elwood Middle School for an additional four weeks through June 12, 2015 at the compensation rate of \$120 per day.
- d) Recommend the Board of Education approve Beverly Vezer, a substitute teacher filling in for a Family and Consumer Science teacher on leave, to be paid the permanent substitute compensation rate of \$120 per day.
- e) Recommend the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following college/summer custodial help at the rate of \$8.75 per hour effective May 18, 2015:

Joseph Bosco, Kevin Collins, Chris D'Amico, James Fanara, Adam Kuhr, Patrick McGrath and Griffin Ryan.

P-9-- Recommend the Board of Education approve the following changes in the Table of Organization:

No Recommended Actions

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BOARD OF EDUCATION PERSONNEL ACTIONS
ADDENDUM I TO THE ORIGINAL PERSONNEL AGENDA

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	P-5: Terminations	

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following personnel action items:

P-3: Resignations:

A) Instructional:

1) **LAUREN BOVE**

Position	Teaching Assistant
Assignment	Harley Avenue Primary School
Effective Date	April 16, 2015
Reason	To accept a regular substitute position

P-7-- Other Appointments:

A) Instructional:

1) **LAUREN BOVE**

Position	Elementary Teacher
Type of Appointment	Regular Substitute
Assignment	Harley Avenue Primary School
Effective Date	Retro to December 8, 2014
Certification	Permanent Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and Grades 1-6
Expiration Date	June 30, 2015 or earlier at District discretion
Tenure Eligibility	Not applicable
Tenure Area	Elementary
Salary	MA, Step 2
Reason	To fill in for a teacher on leave

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- 2) **ALLISON HINKE**
Position School Social Worker (Teacher)
Type of Appointment Regular Substitute
Assignment Elwood-John H. Glenn High School
Effective Date Retro to February 3, 2015
Certification Permanent School Social Worker
Expiration Date June 30, 2015 or earlier at District discretion
Tenure Eligibility Not applicable
Tenure Area School Social Worker
Salary MA, Step 1
Reason To fill in for a teacher on leave
- 3) **DANIELLE SULLIVAN**
Position ESL Teacher
Type of Appointment Probationary
Assignment District-wide
Effective Date August 28, 2015
Certification Initial English to Speakers of Other Languages
Expiration Date August 27, 2018
Tenure Eligibility August 28, 2018
Tenure Area ESL
Salary MA, Step 2.5
Reason To fill a vacant position on the Table of Organization
- 4) **LAUREN TALLARINE**
Position Mathematics Teacher
Type of Appointment Probationary
Assignment Elwood Middle School
Effective Date August 31, 2015
Certification Permanent Mathematics 7-12 and School District Administrator
Expiration Date August 30, 2019
Tenure Eligibility August 31, 2019
Tenure Area Mathematics
Salary MA+60, Step 6.5
Reason To fill a vacant position on the Table of Organization

P-8—Other

- a) Recommend the Board of Education approve the attached addendum to the Schedule of Substitute Teachers and Nurses and Support Staff for the 2014/2015 school year.

Elwood Union Free School District
Board of Education Business Items

April 16, 2015
Business Agenda

Key: Tab 1 - Contracts
Tab 2 - Bid Awards
Tab 3 - Health Service Contracts
Tab 4 - Donations
Tab 5 - Other

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following Business action items:

TAB 1: CONTRACTS NONE

TAB 2: BID/RFP AWARDS NONE

TAB 3: HEALTH SERVICE CONTRACTS NONE

TAB 4: DONATIONS

- a) Recommend the Board accept the **ELWOOD EDUCATION ENDOWMENT** donation of \$32,441.67 funding Grants for the 2014-2015 school year. The appropriate revenue and expenditure budget codes will be adjusted accordingly.
- b) Recommend the Board accept the **ELWOOD BOOSTER CLUB** donation of \$1,682.13 funding transportation related expenses in connection with the **ELWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL** Italian Food Tour of New York. The appropriate revenue and expenditure budget codes will be adjusted accordingly.

TAB 5: OTHER

- a) Recommend the Board approve the attached **Fund Surplus Resolution Agreement & Release** with **Questar III BOCES**; and that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the Board of Education.
- b) Recommend the Board approve the disposal request dated March 12, 2015 of various library books at **ELWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL** due to condition and/or relevancy.
- c) Recommend the Board approve the disposal request dated March 16, 2015 of a Laminator at **ELWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL** due to condition and/or relevancy.
- d) Recommend the Board approve the disposal request of two upright pianos at **JOHN H. GLENN HIGH SCHOOL** due to condition (one of the pianos will be donated to the Elwood Public Library).

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ADDENDUM TO THE ORIGINAL BUSINESS AGENDA

April 16, 2015
Business Agenda

Key: Tab 1 - Contracts
Tab 2 - Bid Awards
Tab 3 - Health Service Contracts
Tab 4 - Donations
Tab 5 - Other

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following Business action items:

TAB 1: CONTRACTS

- a) Recommend the Board approve the agreement with **WESTERN SUFFOLK BOCES** for the use of one (1) classroom and supportive services for use by the **Western Suffolk BOCES Alternate Learning Center Program** for the period September 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016; **and** that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the Board of Education.
- b) Recommend the Board approve the Multi-Year Service Agreement with **WESTERN SUFFOLK BOCES** for the 2015-2016 school year to acquire additional Chromebooks ; **and** that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the Board of Education.
- c) Recommend the Board approve the Multi-Year Service Agreement with **WESTERN SUFFOLK BOCES** for the 2015-2016 school year to replace and renew copier lease agreements; **and** that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the Board of Education.