

ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Elwood, New York

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING – BOARD OF EDUCATION

December 12, 2002
Elwood Middle School

- A. CALL TO ORDER** – District Clerk - 8:01 p.m.
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| Present | John Santomauro | President |
| | Michael Kaszubski | Vice President |
| | Dina Annunziata | Member |
| | Bill Cameron | Member (arrived 8:25 p.m.) |
| | Brian Madden | Member (arrived 8:12 p.m.) |
| Staff | Michael A. Maina | Superintendent |
| | Carl Fraser | Assistant Superintendent/Business |
| | Robert Annucci | Assistant Superintendent/Personnel |
| | Kathleen Semergieff | Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum |
| | David Cenerelli | Director/Special Education (not present) |
| | Nancy Raguzin | Treasurer |
| | Carlene Granieri | District Clerk |
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Board President
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)** (TAB K)
1. Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of November 14, 2002 and amended page 4 paragraph 4.
The motion carried unanimously.
- D. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS** – Michael A. Maina
Effective on Monday, December 16, 2002, the Elwood Public Library District <http://elwood.suffolk.lib.ny.us> will be linked to our web site. Please look for meeting updates.
- Four high school students were commended in the National Word Masters Challenge. They are Megan Bute, Nikki Federman, Chris Mewes and Bryan Miltenberg.
- The recent sale of a BAN (Bond Anticipation Note) gained a net renewal rate of 1.08%.
- The Board received two grants. The first grant was in the amount of \$14,000 for a Child Abduction Prevention Education Program K – 5. Special thanks were given to both Mr. Cenerelli and to Mrs. Annunziata for securing the grant.
- The second grant was from State Senator Carl Marcellino’s office in the amount of \$40,000. It will be used for two projects:
- K-12 Project Adventure – a P.E./Self-Esteem Program
 - an interdisciplinary science project for a 3rd grade Butterfly Garden

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Mr. Maina extended his wishes to the Board and to the community: Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season and a New Year of health, happiness and prosperity.

The Elwood/John H.Glenn High School Vocal Ensemble was introduced and was led by vocal teacher, Mrs. Cindy McGroarty. The ensemble gave a Holiday performance.

E. COMMENDATIONS

F. RESIDENTS' REMARKS 8:20 – 8:40 p.m.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Mr. Cameron moved and Mr. Madden seconded that the Board adopt Board Policy IHBA – Provision of IEP to Teachers and Service Providers. **(TAB L)**
The motion carried unanimously.

H. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Treasurer's Report for the month ended October 31, 2002. **(TAB M)**
2. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Revenue Report for the month ended November 30, 2002.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. ACTION ITEMS **(TAB N)**

- a. Mrs. Annunziata moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded that the Board approve personnel items:

<u>Resignations:</u>	<i>Linda Halber Romano</i>	<i>Music Teacher</i>
	<i>Kathleen Fanara</i>	<i>P/T Clerk Typist</i>
<u>Appointments:</u>	<i>Melinda Abriss</i>	<i>Paraprofessional</i>
	<i>Kathleen Fanara</i>	<i>FT Clerk Typist</i>
	<i>Grace Hamilton</i>	<i>Paraprofessional (2.5 hours)</i>
	<i>Catherine Keteltas</i>	<i>Paraprofessional (2.0 hours)</i>
	<i>Jason Winters</i>	<i>Network & Systems Technician</i>

Other:

- *Emergency Appointments and Reappointments*
- *Reassignment of paraprofessional Donna Dia to Boyd School and increase in hours to 2.5 per day*
- *Increase in hours to 3.75 per day for Florence Postorino, food service worker, to replace Demetra Haji-Georgi*
- *Appoint Jessica Lawless as Assistant Musical Director of High School musical*
- *Appoint Frank DeSimone as Musical Sets Construction advisor of High School musical*
- *Appoint Scott Mikelbank as Jr. Varsity Boys Basketball Coach replacing Edward Kohlhoff*

The motion carried unanimously.

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b. Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded that the Board approve the Committee on Special Education’s recommendations for students’ classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services dated: *November 6; November 13; November 20.* **(TAB O)**
 The motion carried unanimously.

c. Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mr. Cameron seconded that the Board approve the Committee on Preschool Special Education’s recommendations for students’ classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services dated: *November 7.* **(TAB P)**
 The motion carried unanimously.

d. Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded that the Board approve the list of AV and computer equipment from Elwood-John Glenn High School as obsolete and to be discarded. **(TAB Q)**
 The motion carried unanimously.

e. Mr. Cameron moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded that the Board approve the following health service contracts with South Huntington UFSD:

St. Anthony’s High School	29 students	\$11,150.79
St. Anthony’s High School	1 student	76.92 (2 months)
St. Anthony’s High School	1 student	115.38 (3 months)
West Hills Montessori	5 students	1,922.55
L.I. School for the Gifted	3 students	1,153.53

The motion carried unanimously.

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mrs. Annunziata suggested giving the state another month or two to implement their new 3 day fingerprinting technology. If there is no significant change, she will follow up with a draft letter to our elected officials.

Mr. Fraser contacted Mrs. Cardillo re obsolete computer equipment. She has not replied. The BOCES Tech program for computer repairs will be contacted by Mr. Fraser to see if they are interested in our obsolete equipment.

Mr. Cameron reported on Oak Wood Dairy’s desire to increase milk production and its request to the Town of Huntington’s ZBA for re zoning. He noted ramifications to the high school such as odors, increased noise, truck traffic, and the possibility of cutting through the high school entrance due to traffic back ups on Elwood road. Mr. Kaszubski and Mr. Maina will draft a letter to the ZBA for Board review.

The DeLea property was very briefly discussed.

A work session re site renovations will take place on January 2 at EMS 7:30 p.m.

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Mr. Fraser reported that work on the Boyd auditorium is scheduled for completion by the end of December. Delays were caused by the late arrival of the windows from the manufacturer, thereby causing manpower and material rescheduling. There is no bid out to install air conditioning. However, the auditorium is equipped with duct work.

The Board members wished the community Happy Holidays.

J. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA

K. COMMUNICATIONS -- (No Recommended Items)

L. EXECUTIVE SESSION

M. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Cameron moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded that the Board adjourn at 9:12 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlene Granieri
District Clerk