

ELWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
November 8, 2018

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**A. CALL TO ORDER – 7:32 p.m.**

1. Mrs. Marcus moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to call the meeting to order in the Elwood Middle School Library at 7:32 p.m.  
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Present:	Julia Fried	President
	James Tomeo	Vice President
	Heather Mammolito	Member
	Becky Marcus	Member
	Deborah Weiss	Member

Absent: None

Staff:	Dr. Maureen Hull	Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum
	Gene Tranchino	Exec. Director/Technology & Transportation
	Dianne Wilkinson	Exec. Director/Special Education

Absent:	Dr. Kenneth Bossert	Superintendent of Schools
	Lorraine Dunkel	Assistant Superintendent/Business
	Mary Lou Janelli	District Clerk

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

**C. APPOINT CLERK PRO TEM**

1. BE IT RESOLVED, in the absence of the District Clerk, the Board of Education hereby appoints Maureen Hull as Clerk Pro Tem.

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve Item C.1, as presented to the Board at this meeting.  
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

1. October 18, 2018 Regular Meeting  
Mrs. Weiss moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of October 18, 2018, as amended.  
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no

**E. COMMENDATIONS**

1. 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.  
We honored the following Elwood Middle School student:

**F. STUDENT LIAISON REPORT**

Annie Song, Student Liaison to the Board

**G. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Maureen Hull (in Dr. Bossert's absence)

1. Presentation – Schools to Watch: Dr. Christina Sapienza

**H. RESIDENTS' REMARKS**

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**I. DISCUSSION ITEMS - None**

**J. BOARD RECOGNITION OF DONATIONS**

1. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the donation of a Bronze Award Project from Girl Scout Troop 192 which is the creation of a "Positivity Garden" at James H. Boyd Intermediate School, with gratitude, with an approximate value of \$750.
2. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts \$50,000 in Bullet Aid designated for security enhancements to the District for the 2018-2019 school year, procured for the Elwood Union Free School District by the New York State Assembly, with appreciation to Assemblyman Steve Stern for his efforts on the District's behalf.

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to approve Items J.1-J.2, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no

**K. CONSENT AGENDA VOTE**

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda (Items L.1-L.2, M.1-M.17) as presented to the Board at this meeting.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no

**L. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the budget transfer as presented to the Board at this meeting.
2. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the amended budget transfer as presented to the Board at this meeting.

**M. ACTION ITEMS (Personnel, Business, Special Education)**

1. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Bryan Mounce as a Custodial Worker I (night shift), in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to serve a twelve month probationary term commencing November 13, 2018, at a rate of \$49,596 (\$48,246 + \$1,350 shift differential) pro-rated, for the 2018-2019 school year.
2. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Ashley Scotto, pending receipt of Teaching Assistant Certification by January 19, 2019, to a four-year probationary term as a teaching assistant commencing on November 13, 2018 and terminating on November 12, 2022 in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant with compensation of \$19.33 per hour (Step 1).
3. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Alexandra Ross as a Permanent Substitute, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, at a rate of \$120.00 per day worked, effective October 29, 2018 through June 14, 2019.
4. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby amends the August 23, 2018 appointment deadline for receipt of Art Certification of Alexandra Harris, currently a 0.4 FTE part-time Art teacher, from the previously approved date of November 5, 2018 to a new deadline of February 6, 2019.
5. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby amends the October 18, 2018 appointment of Christine Cosmo as a part-time Office Assistant (10 month) to include the service of a twenty-six (26) week probationary term commencing October 22, 2018.
6. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby approves extra hours to the following staff members, as needed, to provide 1:1 support to students who wish to participate in after-school related clubs and events, for the 2018-2019 school year:

Name	Position	Bldg	Hourly Rate
Aeriell Clem	Teaching Assistant	JGHS	\$20.81
Lisa Drago	Teaching Assistant	JGHS/JHB	\$19.78
Karen Gobetz	Teaching Assistant	JHB	\$19.33
Kim Walsh	Paraprofessional	EMS	\$16.77
Ann Sellick	Paraprofessional	JHB	\$16.03

7. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the extension of hours for Karen Cheshire, a 1:1 paraprofessional (School Monitor), to increase to 4.75 hours per day, with compensation at her 2018-2019 hourly rate, effective September 5, 2018.

8. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Michelle Setters, from her position as Office Assistant, effective November 5, 2018.
9. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the additional Substitute Teachers, Psychologists, Teaching Assistants, Paraprofessionals and Custodians, for the 2018-2019 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
10. BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as additional Members for the Committee on Special Education for the 2018-2019 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting:  
Christiana Dobra - School Counselor  
Dylan Kilkenny - School Psychologist
11. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board of Education President to sign and execute an Agreement with the South Huntington Union Free School District to provide special education services for student(s) who reside in the Elwood Union Free School District, at the most current special education non-resident tuition rates as approved by New York State, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
12. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Rider to Agreement with Brightspark Travel, Inc. and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for Elwood-JGHS Music Department travel to Orlando and related services to the District, effective November 8, 2018, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
13. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Rider to Agreement with Brightspark Travel, Inc. and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for Elwood-JGHS Dance Department travel to Orlando and related services to the District, effective November 8, 2018, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
14. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Contract of Agreement with Peachtree Publishers and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing author/illustrator services to the District, effective October 25, 2018, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
15. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as Advisors/Coaches to the corresponding clubs/activities for the 2018-2019 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting:  
Knights of the Dice Table Club at JGHS [stipend \$1,487]: Joseph Pushee  
JV & Varsity Volunteer Wrestling Coach: Peter Esposito (pending receipt of

temporary coaching license)

JV & Varsity Volunteer Wrestling Coach: Mike Bosco

After School Enrichment Activity (PTA) - Gym Games Session 1 (11/5/18 - 12/10/18) at JHB [stipend \$80 per session for five sessions]: Adam Goudreau

After School Enrichment Activity (PTA) - Gym Games Session 2 (11/8/18 - 12/13/18) at JHB [stipend \$80 per session for five sessions]: Lisa Rosenthal

16. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby amends the following previously approved co-curricular appointments, for the 2018-2019 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting:

Club	Building	Advisor(s)	Previous Appointment	New Appointment
			Date	
Habitat for Humanity	JGHS	Jennifer Champouillon	9/27/18	Jennifer Champouillon & Charles Rogener as advisors (\$1,487 split)
YES	EMS	Jennifer Vacchio	9/27/18	Jennifer Vacchio & Laurie Lederer as advisors (\$2,093 split)
ENL Homework Club	Boyd	Susanne Woods	9/27/18	Previous stipend was \$2,154 for once per week and the current recommendation is to be amended to \$4,308 because the club is meeting twice per week.

17. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Committee and Subcommittee on Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 9/25/18, 10/3/18, 10/4/18, 10/9/18, 10/12/18, 10/15/18, 10/22/18, and 11/1/18, and the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 9/24/18 and 10/16/18 for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes and appropriates the use of District funds necessary to implement the special education programs and services consistent with said recommendations.

**N. POLICY**

1. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the first reading of the following:  
Amended Policy 9510: Pay Rates for Temporary, Substitute and Student Employees
2. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the second reading and adoption of amended Policy 5152, Admission of Non-resident Students and amended Policy 6690-E, Audit Committee Charter, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

Mrs. Marcus moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to approve Items N.1-N.2, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no

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

**P. COMMUNICATIONS** - None

**Q. RESIDENTS' REMARKS**

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**R. ADJOURNMENT – 8:20 p.m.**

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Maureen Hull  
Clerk Pro Tem