

ELWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
April 4, 2019

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**A. CALL TO ORDER – 6:05 p.m.**

**B. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Mr. Tomeo moved and Mrs. Marcus seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussions related to the promotion of particular teachers at 6:05 p.m.  
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Present at Executive Session were: Julia Fried, James Tomeo, Heather Mammolito, Becky Marcus, Deborah Weiss, Dr. Kenneth Bossert, Dr. Maureen Hull and Lorraine Dunkel.

2. Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to end Executive Session at 7:26 p.m.  
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

**C. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – 7:35 p.m.**

1. Mr. Tomeo moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to reconvene into open session in the Elwood Middle School Auditorium at 7:35 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. Kenneth Bossert	Superintendent of Schools
	Dr. Maureen Hull	Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum
	Lorraine Dunkel	Assistant Superintendent/Business
	Gene Tranchino	Exec. Director/Technology & Transportation
	Dianne Wilkinson	Exec. Director/Special Education
	Mary Lou Janelli	District Clerk

Absent: None

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

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

1. March 21, 2019 Regular Meeting  
Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of March 21, 2019.  
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no

## **F. COMMENDATIONS**

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 EEE Grant recipients:

<b>Grant Title</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>
Dash into Harley!	Krista Albrecht	\$6,968.13
Star Grant (Robotics in Computer Science at JGHS)	Brittany Chalmers	\$1,135.00
Flexible Seating to Foster True Engagement and Collaboration	Megan Gieser Jessica Kennedy Doris Smith	\$7,067.01
Conserving the Biodiversity of Long Island's Native Plant Populations: A Greenhouse Restoration Project	Eileen Kelly-Gorman	\$3,063.18
Creatively Containing Colorful Chaos	Eleanor Grady Amy Lindenbaum	\$2,151.80
Expansion of Science Department Vernier Probes Initiative	Richard Greening	\$7,349.00
A Mindful Journey into the Garden - Rooted to the Core	Kathleen Marinelli	\$3,040.04
Cooking up a Lifetime of Essential Skills	Kathleen Marinelli Lisa Rosenthal	\$386.09
Health and Wellness "The New Norm"	Frank Schiraldi	\$5,695.00
Total Awarded		\$36,855.25

## **G. STUDENT LIAISON REPORT**

Annie Song, Student Liaison to the Board – Miss Song was unable to be in attendance at this meeting.

## **H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

1. Dr. Kenneth R. Bossert
  - a) Draft Board of Education Meeting Schedule for 2019-2020
2. Board Committee Updates
  - a) Technology Committee – Mr. Tranchino prepared a written report
  - b) Safety Committee – Mr. McDonald prepared a written report

## **I. RESIDENTS' REMARKS**

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## **J. DISCUSSION ITEMS** – None

## **K. PRESENTATIONS**

1. Budget Workshop #4 Presentation – Dr. Kenneth Bossert, Ms. Lorraine Dunkel & Dr. Maureen Hull

2. EMS Reconfiguration Update – Dr. Christina Sapienza

**L. BOARD RECOGNITION AND ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS**

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the following donations, as presented to the Board at this meeting, with gratitude:
  - 1) \$1,000 from the Italian American Committee on Education (iace), for the purpose of enhancing the educational experience of Italian language; and,
  - 2) a Knight Mascot Costume from the Elwood Booster Club, valued at approximately \$1,300.00 to support the "Harley Knight of the Month Program."; and,
  - 3) (5) mini-basketball hoops from the Elwood Booster Club, valued at approximately \$74.95 to be used in the James H. Boyd Intermediate School Maker Space room; and,
  - 4) \$240.00 from the Elwood Booster Club, to support the James H. Boyd Intermediate School after-school Gardening Club (3 weeks) for the 2019 Early Spring Season.

Mr. Tomeo moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to approve Item L.1, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

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

**M. CONSENT AGENDA VOTE**

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Marcus seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda (Items N.1, O.3-O.16) as presented the Board at this meeting.

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

**N. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

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

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

1. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Board of Education hereby adopts the expenditure appropriation of \$62,728,901 (The Budget) to operate the schools for the 2019-2020 fiscal year and present such budget appropriation to district residents for a vote on May 21, 2019.

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to approve Item O.1, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

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

2. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the 2019-2020 Property Tax Report Card as presented to the Board at this meeting; and,  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assistant Superintendent for Business is directed to submit the Property Tax Report Card to the State Education Department by the end of the next business day following this approval.

Mr. Tomeo moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve Item O.2, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

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

3. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Joycelyn Hamilton as a Permanent Substitute, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, at a rate of \$120.00 per day worked, effective April 5, 2019 through June 14, 2019.
4. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Kelly Collins, who possesses a Students with Disabilities/Social Studies Certificate, as an AIS Social Studies Tutor, to commence at the conclusion of her leave replacement substitute service for Employee #1781 on approximately April 16, 2019, to serve at the pleasure of the Board for the 2018-2019 school year, at a rate of \$36.67 per class period.
5. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Tomarah Karpowitz to a four-year probationary term as a teaching assistant, commencing on April 5, 2019 and terminating on April 4, 2023 in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, with compensation of \$19.33 per hour (Step 1).
6. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Lauren Cangelosi, from her co-curricular appointment as the JV Girls' Lacrosse Coach, for the 2018-2019 school year, effective March 26, 2019.
7. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as the advisors to the corresponding after-school Booster Club sessions at James H. Boyd Intermediate School:
  - 1) Elizabeth Held as advisor of the Maker Space Club, for the period March 11, 2019 through April 15, 2019, at a rate of \$400.00 (5 sessions at \$80.00 per session)
  - 2) Luisa LaCorte as advisor of the Love Your #Selfie Club, for the period March 13, 2019 through April 10, 2019, at a rate of \$400.00 (5 sessions at \$80.00 per session)
8. BE IT RESOLVED, that 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:
  - 1) After School Enrichment Activity (PTA) - Gym Games, Spring Session (April 30 - May 28, 2019) at JHB [stipend \$80 per session for five sessions]: Adam Goudreau
  - 2) After School Enrichment Activity (PTA) - Gym Games, Spring Session (May 2 - May 30, 2019) at JHB [stipend \$80 per session for five sessions]: Lisa Rosenthal
  - 3) JV Girls' Lacrosse Coach: Taylor Walsh [stipend Step 1 - \$5,551 pro-rated], pending temporary coaching license, effective April 1, 2019
9. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves extra hours to Patrick Heffernan, as needed, to provide 1:1 support to a student who wishes to participate in the Friendship Club, after-school, at a rate of \$48 per occurrence (2:36pm - 4:00pm) on March 27, April 3, April 10, May 8 and May 29, 2019.
10. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Kristen Karch, as the advisor of the Extended School

Day Social Skills Program at John H. Glenn High School, to meet on a weekly basis for the 2018-2019 school year, at a rate of \$66.00 per hour.

- 11.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints TJ Zenobio and Brett McNiff as Summer Custodial Workers, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, effective May 1, 2019 through August 31, 2019, at a rate of \$12.00 per hour.
  
- 12.** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a motion to adopt the following resolution:  
WHEREAS, various educational and municipal corporations located within the State of New York desire to bid jointly for generally needed services and standardized supply and equipment items; and  
WHEREAS, the Elwood Union Free School District, an educational/municipal corporation (hereinafter the “Participant”) is desirous of selectively participating with other educational and/or municipal corporations in the State of New York in joint bidding in the areas mentioned above pursuant to General Municipal Law § 119-o and Education Law Section 1950; and  
WHEREAS, the Participant is a municipality within the meaning of General Municipal Law § 119-n and is eligible to participate in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, First Supervisory District of Suffolk County (hereinafter Eastern Suffolk BOCES) Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program (hereinafter the “Program”) in the areas mentioned above; and  
WHEREAS, the Participant acknowledges receipt of the Program description inclusive of Eastern Suffolk BOCES’ standard bid packet and the general conditions relating to said Program; and  
WHEREAS, with respect to all activities conducted by the Program, the Participant wishes to delegate to Eastern Suffolk BOCES the responsibility for drafting of bid specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, awarding the bids, and reporting the results to the Participant.  
BE IT RESOLVED that the Participant hereby appoints Eastern Suffolk BOCES to represent it and to act as the lead agent in all matters related to the Program as described above; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant hereby authorizes Eastern Suffolk BOCES to place all legal advertisements for any required cooperative bidding in Newsday, which is designated as the official newspaper for the Program; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Participant Meeting shall be held annually consisting of a representative from each Program Participant. Notice of the meeting shall be given to each representative at least five (5) days prior to such meeting; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an Advisory Committee will be formed consisting of five to ten representatives of Program Participants for a term of three (3) years as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Agreement with the Participant shall be for a term of one (1) year as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant agrees to pay Eastern Suffolk BOCES an annual fee as determined annually by Eastern Suffolk BOCES to act as the lead agent for the Program.
  
- 13.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that pursuant to Section 912 of the Education Law, the Board of Education President and the

Superintendent of Schools are hereby authorized to execute an agreement between the Elwood Union Free School District and the South Huntington Union Free School District for health and welfare services for resident students of the Elwood Union Free School District attending non-public schools in the South Huntington Union Free School District, in the amount of \$864.45 per eligible child for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 inclusive, and said agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

14. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that pursuant to Section 912 of the Education Law, the Board of Education President and the Superintendent of Schools are hereby authorized to execute an agreement between the Elwood Union Free School District and the Jericho Union Free School District for health and welfare services for resident students of the Elwood Union Free School District attending non-public schools in the Jericho Union Free School District, in the amount of \$1,321.58 per eligible child for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 inclusive, and said agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
15. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the additional Substitute Teachers, Teaching Assistants and Custodians, for the 2018-2019 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
16. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 3/14/2019 for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services; and,  
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.

**P. POLICY**

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Board Policy Sub-Committee, the Board of Education hereby accepts the first reading of the following policies:  
5420: Student Health Services  
5420-R: Student Health Services Regulation  
8140: Unsafe School Transfer Choice  
9350: Staff Requests for Accommodations Under the American with Disabilities Act

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to approve Item P.1, as amended by the Board at this meeting.

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

2. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Board Policy Sub-committee, the Board of Education hereby approves the second reading and adoption of the following policies, as presented to the Board at this meeting.  
2160: School District Officer and Employee Code of Ethics  
2330: Executive Sessions  
2340: Notice of Meetings  
4770: Graduation Requirements

4770-R: Graduation Requirements Regulation  
4772: Graduation Ceremonies  
4772-R: Graduation Ceremonies Regulation

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve Item P.2, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

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

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

**R. COMMUNICATIONS** - None

**S. RESIDENTS' REMARKS**

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**T. ADJOURNMENT – 10:59 p.m.**

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:59 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Janelli  
District Clerk