

ELWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
December 12, 2019

A. CALL TO ORDER – 6:09 p.m.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Mrs. Weiss moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussions related to the probationary period of particular administrators at 6:09 p.m.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Present at Executive Session were: Becky Marcus, Michael LaMena, Heather Mammolito, James Tomeo, Deborah Weiss, Dr. Kenneth Bossert and Dr. Maureen Hull.

2. Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mr. LaMena seconded a motion to end Executive Session at 7:29 p.m.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

C. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – 7:34 p.m.

1. Mr. Tomeo moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to reconvene into Open Session in the Elwood Middle School Library at 7:34 p.m.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Present:	Becky Marcus	President
	Michael LaMena	Vice President
	Heather Mammolito	Member
	James Tomeo	Member
	Deborah Weiss	Member

Absent: None

Staff:	Dr. Kenneth Bossert	Superintendent of Schools
	Dr. Maureen Hull	Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum
	Gene Tranchino	Exec. Director/Technology & Transportation
	Mary Lou Marx	District Clerk

Absent:	Lorraine Dunkel	Assistant Superintendent/Business
	Dianne Wilkinson	Exec. Director/Special Education

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. November 14, 2019 Regular Meeting
Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of November 14, 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:

1. NYSSMA All State-State Conference: Hannah Kleinman Oboe (Symphonic Band), Melissa Mandel - All State Soprano (Treble Chorus)
2. Suffolk Zone Recognition: Aidan Desmond & Kaitlyn Sorok
3. JGHS Students serving on the Shared Decision Making Committee: Matthew McNierney, Robert Spelman, Alexandra Haddad, Cateyann Bernhard, Zain Siddiqui
4. Julia Fried, Past-President, Elwood BOE

G. STUDENT LIAISON REPORT

Zain Siddiqui, Student Liaison to the Board.

H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Kenneth R. Bossert

1. Draft 2020-2021 Elwood UFSD School Calendar
2. Cybersecurity Assessments Rules of Engagement – It was the consensus of the Board to move forward with this initiative between CISA and the District.

I. RESIDENTS' REMARKS

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J. PRESENTATION

1. AP Results/Regents Review

K. BOARD RECOGNITION OF DONATIONS

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the following donations, with gratitude:
From the Elwood Booster Club:
 - 1) \$2,300 to support the purchase of second grade multicultural leveled reading books for Harley Avenue Primary School.
 - 2) \$400 to support the shipping costs of the new Quincy Air Compressor Model QTV-54 for the JGHS Technology Department.
 - 3) \$1,760 to support the following after-school clubs for the 2019 late fall season:
 - a. Boyd Maker Space Club (4 weeks-\$320)
 - b. Boyd Love Your #Selfie Club (4 weeks-\$320)
 - c. Harley Crazy 8s Math Club (4 weeks-\$320)
 - d. Harley Maker Space Club (3 weeks-\$240)
 - e. Harley Love Your #Selfie (3 weeks-\$240)
 - f. Harley Culinary Kids (4 weeks-\$320)

From the Elwood Middle School PTA:

1) Thirty-seven (37) books with an estimated value of \$390 from the Scholastic Book Fair held in November, 2019.

From Quincy Compressor:

1) One (1) Quincy Compressor Model QTV-54 with a value of \$2,049.00 to be used in the JGHS Technology Department.

From Elwood SEPTA:

1) \$840 to support 16 weeks of instruction of the SEPTA Harley Friendship Club.

From Solomon Buchman:

1) A book titled, John Glenn, A Hero's Life 1921 - 2016, with a value of \$170.

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

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

L. CONSENT AGENDA VOTE

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda (Items M.1, N.1-N.24) as presented the Board at this meeting.

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

M. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby acknowledges receipt for audit of the following reports:
 - a) Claims Auditor Report for November, 2019

N. ACTION ITEMS – (Personnel, Business, Special Education)

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign and execute a Ninth Amendment to the Salary and Benefits Agreement for Dianne Wilkinson, Executive Director of Special Education, dated December 12, 2019, which Amendment has been reviewed by the Board of Education, and will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
2. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Dianne Wilkinson for the purpose of retirement, from her position as Executive Director of Special Education, effective July 2, 2020.
3. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Allyson Trachtenberg as a Permanent Substitute, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, at a rate of \$120.00 per day worked, effective November 25, 2019 through June 14, 2020.
4. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Dianne Tomasello as a Permanent Substitute, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, at a rate of \$120.00 per day worked, effective December 13, 2019 through June 14, 2020.

5. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Diane Godigkeit as a Senior Account Clerk, in the competitive class of the civil service, to serve a twelve-week probationary term commencing January 6, 2020, at a rate of \$45,291 (Step 2) pro-rated, for the 2019-2020 school year.
6. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the extension of the unpaid leave of absence for the following Paraprofessional, for the purpose of completing a secondary student teaching assignment, for the period September 1, 2019 through April 30, 2020:
William Riedel.
7. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Michele Denzer as a part-time Paraprofessional (2.0 hours/day), in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to serve a thirty (30) month probationary term commencing December 13, 2019, at an hourly rate of \$14.74 per hour for the 2019-2020 school year.
8. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby amends the October 17, 2019 approval of the 0.13 FTE overage to Employee #2562 effective September 4, 2019 for the duration of the 2019-2020 school year to exclude compensation of the overage for the duration of her leave, effective December 2, 2019.
9. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves a 0.13 FTE overage for Megan Riley as an AIS Math teacher, the for the duration of the leave of Employee # 2562 and funded through a grant, effective December 2, 2019.
10. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as assistants for the corresponding after-school SEPTA clubs, with compensation as listed:

Name	Club	Number of Weeks	Building	Rate per class
Vivian Roldan - Assistant	Friendship Club	16	Harley	\$30
Audrey Muchnicki - Assistant	Friendship Club	16	Harley	\$22.50
11. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby rescinds the September 26, 2019 appointment of Patty Vaccaro-Scisci, as the advisor of the JGHS Alpha to Omega Club for the 2019-2020 school year.
12. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as Coaches to the corresponding teams for the 2019-2020 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting:
 - 1) Volunteer Varsity & JV Wrestling Coach: Michael Bosco
 - 2) Volunteer Varsity & JV Wrestling Coach: Nicholas Terdick (pending issuance of temporary Coaching License)
 - 3) JGHS Independent Swimming Team Coach/Supervisor [compensation as per the ETA Agreement for supervision rate]: Marianne Migut

13. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby amends the following previously approved co-curricular appointment, for the 2019-2020 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting:

Co-Curricular Appointment	Building	Previously Appointed Coach	Previous Appointment Date	New Appointment	Stipend
JV Basketball	JGHS	Richard Valdez	October 17, 2019	Richard Valdez for 11/12/19 through 12/3/19; Darren Szokoli for 12/4/19 through 2/5/20	Mr. Valdez: \$1,630.40 Mr. Szokoli: \$4,687.40

14. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the additional Substitute School Psychologists, Substitute Teacher and Substitute Custodial Worker, for the 2019-2020 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
15. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Stephanie Kenyon as a K-8 substitute music teacher, to serve at the pleasure of the Board for a maximum of five days for the 2019-2020 school year, at the Board approved rate of \$100 per day, effective December 11, 2019.
16. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the Corrective Action Plan developed by the Assistant Superintendent for Business in response to the External Audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 performed by R.S. Abrams, as presented to the Board at this meeting, and said Corrective Action Plan will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
17. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Consultant Service Contract with Margaret Margolf and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing piano accompanist services to the District, effective December 2, 2019 through June 23, 2020, and said Contract will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
18. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Rider to Agreement and Charter Contract with Skyline Cruise Lines, Inc. and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing NYC Cruise services to the District, as presented to the Board at this meeting, and said Rider to Agreement and Charter Contract will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
19. BE IT RESOLVED, that 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 a cost pursuant to this Agreement and in accordance with the Education Law and the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 inclusive, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

20. BE IT RESOLVED, that 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 Nassau Suffolk Services for the Autistic, Inc., to provide related services to students with handicapping conditions, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
21. BE IT RESOLVED, that 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 Nassau Suffolk Services for the Autistic, Inc./The Martin C. Barell School, to provide instruction to handicapped children, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
22. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President and Superintendent of Schools to sign and execute a Transportation Contract with Eastern Suffolk BOCES, for the Field Trip Transportation program with a total anticipated annual cost of \$17,000.00, effective September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, and said Transportation Contract will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
23. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby declares the following as surplus and obsolete as they are beyond repair or outdated and allow for their appropriate removal:
1-One (1) Acrobat LCD Electronic Magnification System 3-1 Camera (District)
2-Various Projectors, Monitors, Desktop Computers, Printers, etc. as presented. (District)
24. 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 10/3/19, 10/21/19, 10/23/19, 10/24/19, 10/30/19, 10/31/19, 11/5/19, 11/8/19, 11/14/19, 11/15/19, 11/18/19, 11/19/19, 11/20/19, 11/21/19 and 11/22/19, and the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 10/11/19, 10/29/19, 11/8/19, 11/26/19 and 12/4/19 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.

O. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Framework for Board's Role in Advocacy

P. POLICY

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the second reading and adoption of the following policies, as presented to the Board at this meeting:
5605 Voter Registration for Students
9510 Pay Rates for Temporary, Substitute and Student Employees

Mr. LaMena moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve Item P.1, 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. RECONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION – 9:37 p.m.

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to reconvene into Executive Session for the purpose of discussions related to legal matters at 9:37 p.m.

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

U. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – 10:05 p.m.

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mr. LaMena seconded a motion to reconvene into Open Session at 10:05 p.m.

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

V. ADJOURNMENT – 10:06 p.m.

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:06 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Marx
District Clerk