

ELWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
January 30, 2020

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**A. CALL TO ORDER – 6:07 p.m.**

**B. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mr. Tomeo seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussions related to pending litigation at 6:07 p.m.  
Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

Present at Executive Session were: Becky Marcus, Michael LaMena (arrived at 6:40 p.m.), Heather Mammolito, James Tomeo, Deborah Weiss, Dr. Kenneth Bossert, and Lorraine Dunkel.

2. Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to end Executive Session at 7:30 p.m.  
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Mr. Tomeo was excused at 7:30 p.m.

**C. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – 7:38 p.m.**

1. Mr. LaMena moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to reconvene into Open Session in the Elwood Middle School Library at 7:38 p.m.  
Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

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

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| Absent: | James Tomeo | Member |
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| Staff: | Dr. Kenneth Bossert | Superintendent of Schools                  |
|        | Lorraine Dunkel     | Assistant Superintendent/Business          |
|        | Gene Tranchino      | Exec. Director/Technology & Transportation |
|        | Dianne Wilkinson    | Exec. Director/Special Education           |
|        | Mary Lou Marx       | District Clerk                             |

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| Absent: | Dr. Maureen Hull | Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum |
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**D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President**

**E. 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 students from Harley Avenue Primary School:  
Alejandro Canela

Arbab Malhi  
Dylan Dmytryk  
Devin Janke  
Dylan Giglia

**F. STUDENT LIAISON REPORT**

Zain Siddiqui, Student Liaison to the Board.

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

1. January 9, 2020 Regular Meeting  
Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of January 9, 2020.  
Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

**H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

1. SCOPE Awards 2020
2. Principal Placement 2020-2021

**I. RESIDENTS' REMARKS**

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**J. DISCUSSION ITEMS** – None

**K. PRESENTATIONS**

1. Budget Workshop #1 – Ms. Lorraine Dunkel
2. JGHS Course Guide Updates for 2020-2021 – Mrs. Burzynski & Mrs. Kelly-Gorman

**L. 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 to Elwood-John H. Glenn High School from the John H. Glenn High School PTSA, with a value of \$300:
  - 1) One (1) 9 ft. Christmas Tree
  - 2) Two (2) Menorahs
  - 3) Assorted Holiday Decorations

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to approve Item L.1, as presented to the Board at this meeting.  
Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

**M. CONSENT AGENDA VOTE**

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda (Items N.1-N.2, O.1-O.9) as presented the Board at this meeting.  
Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

## **N. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby acknowledges receipt for audit of the following reports:
  - a) Treasurer's Report for December 31, 2019
  - b) Revenue Report through December 31, 2019
  - c) Cash Flow Report for December, 2019
  - d) Budget Status Report through December 31, 2019
  - e) Trial Balance Report through December 31, 2019
  - f) Executive Summary through December 31, 2019
  - g) Budget Transfer Report for December, 2019
  - h) School Lunch Fund Report for December, 2019
  - i) Claims Auditor Report for December, 2019
  
2. 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, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Lisa Gorman, for the purpose of retirement, from her position as an ENL teacher, effective June 30, 2020.
  
2. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Bryan Mounce as a Custodial Worker II (night shift), in the non-competitive class of the civil service, commencing January 31, 2020, at a rate of \$53,014 (\$51,664 + \$1,350 shift differential) pro-rated, for the 2019-2020 school year.
  
3. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Vicki Henson as a mentor for Employee #3191, for the second semester of the 2019-2020 school year, with compensation of \$500.00.
  
4. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the additional Substitute teacher, custodians, paraprofessionals and food service worker, for the 2019-2020 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
  
5. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby amends the September 26, 2019 appointment of Tracey Ott as the JGHS Ultimate Frisbee Club Advisor from a stipend of \$1,502 for the 2019-2020 school year to \$600.80 for September-December, 2019.
  
6. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby declares the following items as surplus and obsolete as they are beyond repair, duplicate copies or outdated and allow for their appropriate removal:  
1-Library Books (JGHS), as presented
  
7. 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 West Islip 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 West Islip Union Free School District, in the amount of \$878.05 per eligible child for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 inclusive, and said agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

8. 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 Goldie Hawn Foundation, to provide staff development services to the District, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
  
9. 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 11/18/19, 11/20/19, 12/4/19, 12/5/19, 12/11/19, 12/20/19, 1/8/20 and 1/17/20, and the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 11/12/19, 11/16/19, 12/13/19, 12/17/19, 1/3/20, 1/8/20, 1/9/20, 1/10/20, 1/17/20, 1/21/20 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.

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

Q. **COMMUNICATIONS** - None

R. **RESIDENTS' REMARKS**

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S. **ADJOURNMENT** – 8:40 p.m.

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Marx  
District Clerk