# ELWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING REGULAR MEETING MINUTES March 19, 2020

### A. <u>CALL TO ORDER – 7:01 p.m.</u>

### B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Mr. Tomeo moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussions related to the promotion of a certificated employee and discussions related to the appointment of a particular person at 7:01 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.

 Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mr. LaMena seconded a motion to end Executive Session at 7:30 p.m.
 Motion corried. Vote: 5 voc. 0 pc

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

### C. <u>RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – 7:33 p.m.</u>

 Mr. LaMena moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to reconvene into Open Session in the Elwood Middle School Library at 7:33 p.m. Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

(Note: Based on the suspension of the Open Meetings provision of the New York State Public Officer's Law pursuant to New York State Executive Order 202.1, public attendance was not permitted. However, the meeting was live streamed through the District's website: www.elwood.k12.ny.us)

Present:	Becky Marcus Michael LaMena Heather Mammolito James Tomeo Deborah Weiss	President Vice President Member Member Member
Absent:	None	
Staff:	Dr. Kenneth Bossert Dr. Maureen Hull Mary Lou Marx	Superintendent of Schools Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum District Clerk
Absent:	Lorraine Dunkel Gene Tranchino Dianne Wilkinson	Assistant Superintendent/Business Exec. Director/Technology & Transportation Exec. Director/Special Education

### **D.** <u>**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**</u> – Board President

E. <u>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT</u> – Dr. Kenneth R. Bossert

- 1. Open Meetings Law Update
- 2. Childcare resources available
- 3. 180 day waiver
- 4. NYS Assessments update
- 5. Grab & Go Breakfasts and Lunches

# F. **<u>DISCUSSION ITEMS</u>** – None

### G. <u>CONSENT AGENDA VOTE</u>

Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Mammolito seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda (Items H.1-H.2, I.1, J.1-J.2, K.1-K.25) as presented the Board at this meeting. Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

### H. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)</u>

- February 10, 2020 Regular Meeting A motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 10, 2020.
- 2. March 5, 2020 Work Session A motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 5, 2020.

# I. BOARD RECOGNITION OF DONATIONS

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the donation of \$1,440 from the Elwood Booster Club, with gratitude, to support the following after school clubs for the 2020 Winter Session:

a) Boyd Maker Space Club (4 weeks - \$320)

- b) Harley Crazy 8s Math Club (4 weeks \$320)
- c) Harley Maker Space Club (5 weeks \$400)
- d) Harley Culinary Kids (5 weeks \$400)

# J. 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 January & February, 2020
  - b) Revenue Status Report through February 29, 2020
  - c) Cash Flow Report through January & February, 2020
  - d) Budget Status Report through February 29, 2020
  - e) Trial Balance Report through February 29, 2020
  - f) Executive Summary through February, 2020
  - g) Budget Transfer Report for January & February, 2020
  - h) School Lunch Fund Reports for January & February, 2020
  - i) Claims Auditor Reports for January & February, 2020
- 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.

# K. <u>ACTION ITEMS (Personnel, Business, Special Education)</u>

**1.** Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a motion to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order 202, the Governor of the State of New York issued a declaration of emergency for the entire State of New York as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive also declared a local state of emergency and ordered the closing of schools for student instruction for a two week period commencing March 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the extraordinary and unprecedented circumstances that caused the declarations of emergency warrant the School District to fairly and consistently compensate its employees during this period of crisis in the best interests of the community at large; and

WHEREAS, the School District is desirous of avoiding the costs associated with employees filing claims for unemployment compensation during this time period, and is also desirous of retaining employees who might otherwise seek other employment if not being paid during this time.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the salary payments of hourly and part-time employees (as defined by the Superintendent of Schools) during the two week period from March 16, 2020 through March 27, 2020 based upon their customary standard hours of employment, provided that compensation shall not be provided to the extent the District calendar is amended to provide for additional work days for said employees during the balance of the 2019/2020 school year as required by the New York State Education Department or the operation of law pertaining to State Aid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing contained herein precludes the Superintendent of Schools, or his/her designee(s) from requiring part-time or hourly employees from working during these periods of school closure if deemed necessary by the District.

- 2. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Karen Gellert, for the purpose of retirement, from her position as a Music teacher, effective June 30, 2020.
- **3.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Jean Haley, for the purpose of retirement, from her position as a Family and Consumer Science teacher, effective June 30, 2020.
- 4. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Kathleen Marinelli, for the purpose of retirement, from her position as a Speech-Language Pathologist, effective June 30, 2020.
- 5. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Anthony Cerullo, for the purpose of retirement, from his position as Custodial Worker I, effective March 20, 2020.
- 6. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Ann Marie Belviso, for the purpose of retirement, from her position as a Custodial Worker II, effective March 31, 2020.

- 7. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Patrick Heffernan, from his position as permanent substitute, effective February 12, 2020.
- **8.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Daniel Mirabile, from his position as Teaching Assistant, effective April 24, 2020.
- **9.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby amends the September 26, 2019 appointment of Daniel Mirabile as the EMS Knightly News Advisor from a stipend of \$2,725 for the 2019-2020 school year to \$1,907.50 for September, 2019 through March, 2020.
- **10.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the Co-Curricular resignation of Jonathan Guercio, from his position as Head Coach of Middle School Spring Boys' Track, prior to the start of the season, effective February 11, 2020.
- **11.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the Co-Curricular resignation of Scott Brennan, from his position Central Treasurer (Extra Class Funds), effective December 31, 2019.
- **12.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the unpaid child care leave request of Kristen Romanchuk, to commence December 20, 2019, with a return date of September 1, 2020.
- BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Legal Notice of the Annual School District Election, Budget Vote and Budget Hearing and establishes the following dates and times in preparation for said Elwood Union Free School District's Annual School District Election and Budget Vote:
  BUDGET VOTE AND BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS Date: Tuesday, May 19, 2020 Time: 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Place: Elwood Middle School Cafeteria

PUBLICATION OF LEGAL NOTICES: April 2 & 3, 2020 April 16 & 17, 2020 April 30 & May 1, 2020 May 14 & 15, 2020

BUDGET HEARING Date: Monday, May 11, 2020 Time: 7:30 p.m. Elwood Middle School Library

14. BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby endorses the nominations of Jeannette Santos and Peter Wunsch as candidates for the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education.

- **15.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the additional Substitute Teachers and Support Staff, for the 2019-2020 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 Elwood-John H. Glenn High School and Elwood Middle School Co-Curricular Club Charters, for the 2019-2020 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting, and authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents on the Board's behalf.

John H. Glenn High School	Elwood Middle School
Acappelwood	Art Club
Art Club	Chess Club
Chamber Strings	Community Service Club
Class of 2020	ENL Homework Club
Class of 2021	FACS/Cooking Club
Class of 2022	GSA
Community Service Club	Jazz Band
Cooking Club	Kickline
Elwoodstock	Knightly News
Fashion Club	Math Club
Freshman Buddies	National Junior Art Honor Society
Freshman Class Advisors-Class of 2023	National Junior Honor Society
GSA	Operation Respect
Habitat for Humanity	Robotics Club
Homecoming	Science Olympiad
Instagram Club	Select Chorus
Instagram Club International Club	Student Activities
International Night	Technology Club Theater Club
Italian Club Jazz Band	Tri-M
Kickline	YES Club
Knights for Nature	
Knights of the Dice Table	
Knight Times Newspaper	
Knowledge Masters	
Mathletes	
Mr. Glenn	
Mock Trial	
Musical	
National Art Honor Society	
Natural Helpers	
NYSSMA	
Photo Club	
Robotics Club	
SADD	
Science Olympiad	
Science Research Club	
Seal of Biliteracy	
Spanish Club	
Stage Crew	
Step Team	
Student Council	
Table Tennis Club	
Tech Club	
Tri-M	
Unity with Diversity	
Video Yearbook	
Volley Ball-Athon	
World Language Honor Society	
Yearbook Committee	

- **17.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the Corrective Action Plan developed in response to the Single Audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.
- 18. 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 Hauppauge Union Free School District for health and welfare services for resident students of the Elwood Union Free School District, in the amount of \$1,056.00 per eligible child for the 2019-2020 school year, and said agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- **19.** 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 Smithtown Central School District for health and welfare services for resident students of the Elwood Union Free School District attending non-public schools in the Smithtown Central School District, in the amount of \$1,023.65 per eligible child for the period September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, 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, 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 \$1,311.36 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.
- 21. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and pursuant to Section 912 of the Education Law, the Board of Education President and the District Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract between the Elwood Union Free School District and the Commack 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 Commack Union Free School District, in the amount of \$1,319.33 per eligible child for the 2019-20120 school year, and said contract will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- 22. 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 Syosset Central School District for health and welfare services for resident students of the Elwood Union Free School District attending non-public schools in the Syosset Central School District, in the amount of \$1,018.24 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.

- **23.** 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 Roslyn 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, effective January 27, 2020 through June 26, 2020 inclusive, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- 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 or outdated and allow for their appropriate removal: 1-430 copies of Grade 6/8 Literature Textbooks (EMS) 2-72 Library books, as presented (Harley)
- 25. 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 1/9/20, 1/13/20, 1/16/20, 1/22/20, 1/24/20, 1/28/20, 2/4/20 and 2/7/20, and the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 2/7/20, 2/14/20, 2/27/20 and 3/3/20 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.

# L. POLICY

- 1. Draft Policies Submitted to the Board for a First Reading
  - 1050 Annual District Election and Budget Vote
  - 1130 Media Relations
  - 1230 Public Participation at Board Meetings
  - 1400 Public Complaints
  - 1741 Home Schooled Students
  - 2010 Board Operating Procedures
  - 2352 Rules of Order

# M. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA - None

# N. <u>COMMUNICATIONS</u> - None

# O. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> – 7:53 p.m.

Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m. Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Marx District Clerk