

ELWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
September 15, 2022

A. CALL TO ORDER – 6:01 p.m.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussions related to the appointment of a particular certificated employee at 6:01 p.m.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Present at Executive Session were: James Tomeo, Heather Mammolito, Thomas Scarola, Dr. Sara Siddiqui, Deborah Weiss, Dr. Kenneth Bossert, Dr. Maureen Hull and Lorraine Dunkel.

2. Mrs. Mammolito moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to end Executive Session at 6:58 p.m.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

C. SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMUNITY FORUM REGARDING THE BOND VOTE 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Tomeo, Mrs. Mammolito, Mr. Scarola, Dr. Siddiqui, Mrs. Weiss, Dr. Bossert, Dr. Hull and Ms. Dunkel were all in attendance.

D. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – 7:45 p.m.

1. Dr. Siddiqui moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to reconvene in to Open Session in the Elwood Middle School Library at 7:45 p.m.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

Present:	James Tomeo	President
	Heather Mammolito	Vice President
	Thomas Scarola	Member
	Dr. Sara Siddiqui	Member
	Deborah Weiss	Member

Absent: None

Staff:	Dr. Kenneth Bossert	Superintendent of Schools
	Dr. Maureen Hull	Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum
	Lorraine Dunkel	Assistant Superintendent/Business
	Mary Lou Marx	District Clerk

Absent: None

E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. September 1, 2022 Public Hearing and Regular Business Meeting
Mrs. Mammolito moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2022 Public Hearing and Regular Business Meeting, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

G. 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:

Ishan Shah
Brianna Mauro
Daniella Rehren
Emma Rothleder
Kylie Meehan

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

I. STUDENT LIAISON REPORT – James Rourke, Student Liaison to the Board

J. RESIDENTS' REMARKS

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K. DISCUSSION ITEMS – draft Board Goals for 2022-2023

L. CONSENT AGENDA VOTE

1. Mrs. Mammolito moved and Mr. Scarola seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda (Items M.1, N.1-N.25), as presented to the Board at this meeting.
Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

M. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that 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.

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

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby confers tenure upon Karen Casey, in the Teaching Assistant tenure area, effective October 19, 2022.
2. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Charles Theofield, from his position as a Teaching Assistant, Effective August 31, 2022.
3. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of John Laiosa, from his position as Permanent Substitute, effective September 16, 2022.
4. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Melissa Ojeda as a full-time Paraprofessional (6.5 hours/day), in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to serve a thirty month probationary term, commencing September 16, 2022, at a salary of \$19,278.35, pro-rated, for the 2022-2023 school year.
5. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Joann Hess as a Senior Account Clerk, in the competitive class of the civil service, to serve a twenty-six week probationary term commencing October 3, 2022, at a rate of \$44,889 (Step 1) pro-rated, for the 2022-2023 school year (pending fingerprint clearance).
6. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following Election Officials for the Special District Meeting of the Elwood Union Free School District to be held on October 18, 2022; and,
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the District Clerk to make any changes to the appointments or employ substitutes as deemed necessary.
Chairperson/Election Inspector: Rate of pay - \$15.00/hour
Elvira Lubrano
Election Inspectors: Rate of pay - \$15.00/hour
Eileen Bellman, Veronica Bohrer, Patricia Grasso, Lawrence Rose, Hilda Schulkind, Loretta Wilson, Sam Batanchiev, Audrey Boodie, Medeline Palencia, David Rigo, Ira Anekstein, Rita Anilionis, Lawrence Bellman
Election Inspectors: Compensation at their hourly rate of pay or as per their collective bargaining agreement:
Judith Tessitore, Joanne Lanzilotta, Teena Nguyen, Nancy Mancini, Patricia Buckley, Aimee Gusew, Angela Shanerman, Noreen Thompson, Peggy Pietzak, Rose Seiter
7. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Alina Ingarozza, Malarie Feliccia and Lisa Fusaro as Permanent Substitute Teachers, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, at a rate of \$120.00 per day worked, effective September 16, 2022 through June 9, 2023.

8. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves a 0.1 FTE overage for Carla Weiss as a Health and Wellness teacher, for the 2022-2023 school year, effective September 6, 2022.

9. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following mentors for the 2022-2023 school year:

Mentor	Period	Compensation
Donna Fife	2 Semesters	\$1,000
Wendy Braxton	1 Semester	\$500
Christina Long	2 Semesters	\$1,000
Jessica Jantzen	2 Semesters	\$1,000

10. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the additional Substitutes, for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

11. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute an Agreement with Michael Baio and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for employment as an Interim John Glenn High School Assistant Principal, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, effective September 19, 2022 through June 30, 2023, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

12. WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirement of Education Law Section 3012-d and Part 30-3.10 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, the individual named below has completed all the necessary training to be certified as a lead evaluator of classroom teachers;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby certifies the following individual as a lead evaluator of classroom teachers for the 2022-2023 school year:
Michael Baio

13. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President and Superintendent of Schools are hereby authorized to sign and execute the Memorandum of Agreement regarding adding the title of Groundskeeper to the recognition clause, dated August 10, 2022 between the District and the Elwood Custodial Workers, I.B.T. Local 237 as presented to the Board at this meeting, a copy of which Memorandum of Agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

14. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Joshua Pagan as a 0.5 FTE Custodial Worker I, in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to serve a twelve-month probationary term commencing September 19, 2022, with compensation of \$25,225.50, pro-rated, for the 2022-2023 school year.

15. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Thomas Braun III as a Groundskeeper, in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to serve a twelve-month probationary term commencing October 3, 2022, with compensation of \$51,838, pro-rated, for the 2022-2023 school year.
16. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Patrick Parker as a Custodial Worker II, in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to serve a twelve-month probationary term commencing September 19, 2022, with compensation of \$54,575, pro-rated (\$53,225 + \$1,350 night differential), for the 2022-2023 school year.
17. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Town of Huntington 2022-2023 tax levy in the amount of \$51,096,360 and that the Board hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents on behalf of the Board of Education.
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 Consultant Service Contract with Savvas Learning Company and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing professional development services to the District, effective September 16, 2022 through June 30, 2023, and said 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 President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Consultant Service Contract with Curriculum Associates and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing professional development services to the District, effective September 16, 2022 through June 30, 2023, and said Contract 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 President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Consultant Service Contract with Bridges and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing professional development services to the District, effective September 16, 2022 through June 30, 2023, and said Contract 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 President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Consultant Service Contract with Always Learning and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing professional development services to the District, effective September 16, 2022 through June 30, 2023, 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, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President and Superintendent of Schools to sign and execute a Summer Transportation Contract with Huntington Coach and the District, with a total anticipated annual cost of \$115,000, effective July 1, 2022 through August 31, 2022, and said Summer 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 approves the overnight field trip for the Elwood-John H. Glenn High School Kickline to Orlando, Florida for the period March 2-6, 202
24. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby declares the following item as surplus and obsolete as it is beyond repair or outdated and allow for its appropriate removal:
(1) EMS Podium
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 6/3/22, 6/16/22 and 8/11/22, and the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 7/18/22, 8/11/22, and 8/29/22 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. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA - None

P. COMMUNICATIONS - None

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R. ADJOURNMENT – 8:35 p.m.

Dr. Siddiqui moved and Mr. Scarola seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Marx
District Clerk