

ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Elwood, New York

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING -- BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 12, 2008
Elwood Middle School Auditorium - 7:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER – District Clerk (7:40 p.m.)

Present:	Michael Kaszubski	President
	Joseph Fusaro	Vice President
	Dina Annunziata	Trustee
	Dan Ciccone	Trustee
	Andrew Kaplan	Trustee
Staff:	Dr. William Swart	Superintendent
	William Pastore	Asst. Superintendent/Business
	Robert Annucci	Asst. Superintendent/Human Resources
	David Cenerelli	Asst. Superintendent/Pupil Personnel Services
	Louis Tuorto	Director Physical Education/Athletics
	Peggy Pietzak	District Clerk

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

(TAB G)

1. Special Meeting – May 1, 2008
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
2. Regular Business Meeting – May 8, 2008
Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
3. Special Meeting – May 28, 2008
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
4. Special Meeting – June 5, 2008
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried 4 ayes 0 nays
1 abstention (Mr. Kaplan).

D. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – Dr. William J. Swart
James Tomeo, high school liaison, gave his report.

Mr. Kaszubski honored School Board Member Dina Annunziata.

Dave Cenerelli honored retiree Dr. William Swart.

E. COMMENDATIONS – At this meeting we honored:

Retirees: Louise Bolger, Giuseppe Buffolino, Adele Hoffman, Ronald Robey, Carol Robilotto, Cheryl Spielman, Robert Ziemblicki
Boys Varsity Baseball Team (League Champions)
Hana Abrams, recipient of Award of Excellence, Long Island Arts Alliance Scholar-Artist Competition
Jacqueline Ammirato, News 12 Scholar/Athlete
Scarleth Guzman, 1st Place – Wilson Tech's Floriculture Team
High School Robotics Team (demonstration)
Varsity Boys Lacrosse Team – County finalists
Varsity Boys and Girls Spring Track – County finalists.
County Executive Steve Levy made a special presentation to Greg and Michael Manas.

F. **RESIDENTS' REMARKS** – (8:40 – 8:53 p.m.)

G. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** -- No Recommended Items

H. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

(TAB H)

1. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Treasurer's Report for the month ended April 30, 2008.
2. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Revenue Report for the month ended April 30, 2008.
3. Recommend the Board accept the Trial Balances for all funds as of April 30, 2008.
4. Recommend the Board accept the Budget Status Report for the month ended April 30, 2008.

I. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. **DISCUSSION ITEMS** -- No Recommended Items

2. **ACTION ITEMS**

- a. 1. Recommend the Board of Education approve personnel items excluding P8e.
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded. The motion carried 4 ayes 0 nays
1 abstention (Mrs. Annunziata).

Recommend the Board of Education approve personnel item P8e.
Mrs. Annunziata moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried 4 ayes
0 nays 1 abstention (Mr. Fusaro).

(TAB I)

- b. Recommend the Board approve the Committee on Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services for meetings held on January 30th, February 14th, March 12th, April 10th (2 meetings), 11th (2 meetings), 23rd (2 meetings), 24th, 25th (3 meetings), 28th, 29th, (2 meetings), May 1st (2 meetings), 7th (3 meetings), 8th (2 meetings), 9th (3 meetings), 12th, 13th (2 meetings), 19th, 22nd, 29th, June 3rd,

- c. **and** the Board approve the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services for meetings held on January 7th, March 10th, April 14 (2 meetings), 15th (2 meetings), May 5th, 15th (3 meetings).
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- d. Recommend the Board approve donation of obsolete computers and equipment with no monetary value to National Cristina Foundation.
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

(TAB J)

- e. Recommend the Board accept the Official Vote Tallies for the School Board Election and Budget Vote held on May 20, 2008.
Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

(TAB K)

- f. Recommend the Board accept the following donation:
\$335 for James Boyd Intermediate School from General Mills Box Tops for Education and \$2,000 technology grant from Motorola.

(TAB L)

Mr. Kaplan moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded the motion to approve the \$335 for James Boyd Intermediate School from General Mills Box Tops for Education. The motion carried Unanimously.

Mr. Kaplan made a motion to table the \$2,000 technology grant from Motorola and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- g. Recommend the Board approve the following health services contract for students residing in Elwood and attending private/parochial schools for the 2007-2008 school year:

(TAB M)

<i>Commack UFSD</i>	<i>9 students</i>	<i>4,224.24</i>
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Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- h. Recommend the Board accept the engagement letter from R.S. Abrams for professional internal auditing services for the year ending June 2008. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB Mc)**
- i. Recommend the Board approve overnight trips for three athletic teams. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB N)**
- j. Recommend the Board adopt the following policies (*second reading*): **(TAB O)**

<i>Policy DICA</i>	<i>Capital Assets Account</i>
<i>Policy DG/DGA-R</i>	<i>Depository of Funds/Authorized Signatures for Cash Disbursements and Wire Transfers Regulation</i>

Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

k. Recommend the Board approve the service agreement with St. James Tutoring for the 2007-2008 school year. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB P)**

l. Recommend the Board approve the license agreement with Scope Education Services for the preschool program for the 2008-2009 school year. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB Q)**

m. Recommend the Board approve the disposal of non-repairable items (trimmer and mowers) from Buildings & Grounds as per memo from Lawrence Herzog. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB R)**

n. Recommend the Board approve the Income Eligibility Guidelines for Free and Reduced Price Meals for the 2008-2009 school year. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB S)**

o. Recommend the Board approve the proposed high school Art Department trip to Italy and France in April 2009. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB T)**

p. Recommend the Board approve the distribution (12 monthly payments) of anticipated tax monies received by the School District on behalf of the Elwood Public Library for the 2008-2009 school year. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

q. Recommend the Board approve the 2008/2009 Town of Huntington Tax Levy of \$34,291,585. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

r. Recommend the Board approve the service contract between the Elwood School District and the West Islip School District for 2007-2008. Mr. Fusaro moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB U)**

s. Recommend the Board approve the resolution for joint bidding by Elwood UFSD and the Long Island Food Service Directors' Association. Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB V)**

t. Recommend the Board approve the Elwood Public Schools Technology Plan 2008-2011. Mrs. Annunziata moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB W)**

u. Recommend the Board approve the New York State School Board Association Policy Manual Part III (*first reading*). Mr. Fusaro moved and Mrs. Annunziata seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **(TAB X)**

- J. **ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA**- At the Special Meeting Patrick Scarola was appointed Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services; Dianne Wilkinson (Director of Special Education), Eileen Kelly-Gorman (Technology Integration Specialist), Gene Tranchino (Executive Director for Administrative and Instructional Technology).
- K. **COMMUNICATIONS**
- L. **RESIDENTS' REMARKS** – (9:58 – 10:00 p.m.)
- M. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
- N. **ADJOURNMENT** – At 10:00 p.m. Mrs. Annunziata moved and Mr. Fusaro seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pietzak
District Clerk