

ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Elwood, New York

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING – BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**September 21, 2001**  
Elwood Middle School

**A. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and ONE MINUTE OF SILENCE 8:40p.m.**

Present: John Santomauro, President  
Tracey Edwards, Vice President  
William Cameron, Member  
Michael Kaszubski, Member  
Fred Leone, Member  
Staff: Michael A. Maina, Superintendent  
Daniel E. Laub, Assistant Superintendent  
Robert Annucci, Assistant Superintendent  
Nancy Raguzin, Treasurer  
Carlene Granieri District Clerk

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

Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mrs. Edwards seconded that the Board approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of June 14, 2001.

The motion carried 4 ayes and 1 abstention (Mr. Cameron).

Mrs. Edwards moved and Mr. Santomauro seconded that the Board approve the minutes of the Annual Reorganization & Regular Business Meeting of July 5, 2001.

The motion carried 4 ayes and 1 abstention (Mr. Kaszubski).

Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mr. Leone seconded that the Board approve the minutes of the Special Business Meeting of July 13, 2001.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mr. Leone seconded that the Board approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of August 30, 2001.

The motion carried unanimously.

**C. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – Michael A. Maina**

1. Deferred report due to late hour.
2. Thanked staff and students for their courage and exemplary behavior throughout the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks.

Mr. Laub reported on:

1. Site work at Boyd, opening went smoothly.
2. Traffic patterns effective, bus drivers impressed.
3. Final grading and seeding at both Harley and Boyd.
4. First phase will be completed by first week of October.

**D. COMMENDATIONS – (Deferred)**

**E. RESIDENTS' REMARKS – 8:45 – 8:46p.m.**

F. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – (No Recommended Items)

G. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

(TAB Q)

1. The Board acknowledged receipt for audit of the Revenue Report for the month ended August 31, 2001.

H. **NEW BUSINESS - ACTION ITEMS**

1. Personnel

Mrs. Edwards moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded that the Board approve the following **INSTRUCTIONAL RESIGNATIONS:**

(TAB R)

**Carolyn Eberhardt** as Foreign Language Teacher

**Robin Newton** as Teaching Assistant

**Rosanne Keegan** as Paraprofessional

**Ann Marie Moriggia** as Paraprofessional

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mr. Santomauro seconded that the Board approve the following **INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENTS:**

**Rosanne Keegan** as Teaching Assistant

**Laurie Sherrell** as Teacher/Facilitator of Differential Instruction, Part time (.60FTE)

**Suzanne Romero** as School Media Specialist (Librarian) Part time (.833 FTE)

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Santomauro moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded that the Board approve the following

**CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENTS:**

**Angela Curcio** as Part-time Clerk Typist (3 hours per day)

**Mary Litwin** as Part-time Paraprofessional (4hours per day)

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mrs. Edwards seconded that the Board approve

**Noreen Driscoll, Teaching Assistant** an additional 45 minutes per day

**Sharon Sullivan**, substitute teacher of the hearing impaired on an emergency conditional basis.

**Nancy Schwier**, change in status of one additional hour as clerk typist Human Resources.

**Felicia Cheatham** as substitute food service worker/paraprofessional pending fingerprinting.

**Jean Palumbo** as substitute paraprofessional pending fingerprinting clearance.

**Michael Ruggiero** as interscholastic assistant JV football coach at High School pending fingerprinting clearance.

The attached addendum to the list of Approved Substitute Teachers and Nurses:

**Jennifer Ashdown**, Spec Educ, **Heather Holtmann** and **Jennifer Sabatino**, Elem

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Santomauro moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded that the Board approve

(TAB S)

1. the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services dated: *August 28; September 4.*

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kaszubski moved and Mrs. Edwards seconded the Board approve the addition of Luisa Malatesta as a parent member of the Committees on Special Education and Preschool Special Education for the 2001/02 school year.

The motion carried unanimously.

**H. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. ACTION ITEMS**

Mr. Santomauro moved and Mrs. Edwards seconded that the Board approve a non-resident Kindergarten student Katelyn O'Brien to attend Harley Avenue Primary School and Emily Zirmis as a non-resident 4<sup>th</sup> grader to attend James Boyd Intermediate School, both on a monthly tuition basis in accord with District Policy JECB. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Edwards moved and Mrs. Leone moved that the Board award the following **(TAB T)**  
**ROOF RECONSTRUCTION** with funding from the Manor Plains appropriation to the lowest responsible bidders meeting specifications:

Elwood Middle School – GTS Construction Corp.	\$466,666
Boyd Intermediate School – GTS Construction corp.	176,666
John Glenn High School – Statewide Roofing Inc.	76,200

The motion carried 4 ayes and 1 nay (Mr. Cameron).

Mrs. Edwards moved and Mr. Kaszubski seconded that the Board appoint the following residents to a Citizens Construction Oversight Committee: Benjamin Bletsch, Dina Cangero, James Casano, Ralph Csogi, Robert Eschbacher, and Fred Leone.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Leone moved and Mr. Santomauro seconded that the Board approve the contract with Suffolk Cooperative Library System for library services to the Elwood community for the 2001/02 school year. **(TAB U)**

The motion carried unanimously.

**2. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Jerry Nichols from Suffolk Cooperative Library System contacted Superintendent Maina to seek permission to speak with the District's Citizens Advisory Committee. Both Mr. Leone and Mr. Santmauro will join the committee when it meets with Mr. Nichols. A report of this meeting will be given by our Board President Santomauro at the October 11<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

Mr. Cameron requested that the District advise petitioners that the Board of Education rejected the petition he submitted at the July 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Board agreed that it would advise residents in an up coming issue of the Elwood Highlights.

**I. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA**

**J. COMMUNICATIONS - None**

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Santomauro moved and Mrs. Edwards seconded that the Board adjourn at 9:55p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlene Granieri

District Clerk