

ELWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
November 10, 2022

A. CALL TO ORDER – 6:01 p.m.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Dr. Siddiqui moved and Mr. Scarola seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussions related to the employment history of a particular contractual employee at 6:01 p.m.
Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

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

2. Mrs. Mammolito moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to end Executive Session at 7:33 p.m.
Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

C. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – 7:39 p.m.

1. Dr. Siddiqui moved and Mr. Scarola seconded a motion to reconvene in to Open Session in the Elwood Middle School Library at 7:39 p.m.
Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

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

Absent:	Deborah Weiss	Member
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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

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. October 13, 2022 Regular Business Meeting & October 18, 2022 Special Meeting
Mrs. Mammolito moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2022 Regular Business Meeting and October 18, 2022 Special Meeting, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

F. COMMENDATIONS

1. 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:

James Rourke
Emily LaMena
Angelina DeMarco
Giuliana Brown
Jake Lauto
Juliet Beuka
William Drucker
Katherine Madrid
Grace Motta

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

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

I. RESIDENTS’ REMARKS

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J. DISCUSSION ITEM – None

K. PRESENTATION – Elementary iReady & Academic Progress Update - Dr. Toscano, Mrs. Millan, Dr. Hull

L. ACCEPT DONATIONS

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the following donations with gratitude:
 - 1) \$3,280 from the Elwood Booster Club to support the after-school clubs for the 2022 Fall Session (Boyd Maker Space Club, Boyd Math Club, Harley Maker Space Club, Harley Literacy/Craft Club, Harley Math Club)
 - 2) \$995 from the Elwood Booster Club to support the purchase of a bleacher enclosure curtain for JGHS
 - 3) \$500 from Elwood SEPTA to support the John Glenn High School Unified Basketball League
 - 4) \$500 from Elwood SEPTA to support the John Glenn High School Unified

Bowling League

5) \$500 from Elwood SEPTA to support the fees for guest speaker, Rohan Murphy

Dr. Siddiqui moved and Mrs. Mammolito 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

1. Mr. Scarola moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda (Items N.1-N.2, O.1-O.29), as presented to 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 September, 2022
- b) Revenue Status Report through September 30, 2022
- c) Cash Flow Report for September, 2022
- d) Budget Status Report through September 30, 2022
- e) Trial Balance Report through September 30, 2022
- f) Executive Summary for September, 2022
- g) JGHS and EMS Extraclassroom Reports through September 30, 2022
- h) Budget Transfer Report for September, 2022
- i) School Lunch Fund Report through September 30, 2022
- j) Claims Auditor Reports for September, 2022 & October, 2022

2. 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.

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 approves the following overage for the 2022-2023 school year, effective September 6, 2022:

Name	School	Additional	Total
Paul Lasurdo	EMS	0.1 Music	1.1 FTE

2. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Jaclyn Tommer, who holds a Teaching Assistant Level I Certificate, to a four-year probationary term as a Teaching Assistant, commencing on November 14, 2022 and terminating on November 13, 2026 in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant with compensation of \$25,337 (Step 1, pro-rated).

3. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Melissa Nobile as a full-time Paraprofessional (6.5 hours/day), in the non-competitive class of the civil

service, to serve the remainder of her thirty month probationary term, effective November 14, 2022, at a salary of \$19,982.30, pro-rated, for the 2022-2023 school year.

4. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Maria Gierl as a Senior Office Assistant (12 month), in the competitive class of the civil service, to serve a twelve-week probationary term, effective November 29, 2022, at a salary of \$46,350 (Step 4, pro-rated, as per the terms of the collective bargaining agreement).

5. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the adjustment of hours for the following paraprofessionals for the 2022-2023 school year, with compensation at their 2022-2023 hourly rates, as presented:

Name	Position	Previous Hours/Day	New Hours/Day	Effective Date
Gina Antoniak	Paraprofessional	5.75 Hours	2.5 Hours	October 20, 2022
Elaine Geraghty	Paraprofessional	3.0 Hours	5.75 Hours	October 20, 2022

6. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby rescinds the October 13, 2022 adjustment of hours for Karen Rinaldi, paraprofessional.
7. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves all unit members district-wide to serve, as needed, as substitute advisors for Elwood Booster Clubs outside of the school day, with compensation as per the Elwood Booster Club rate per session, for the 2022-2023 school year.
8. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as after-school advisors to the corresponding clubs as presented:
 - 1-Jill Greenblatt to Harley Math Club ((8 sessions (October to December, 2022)- \$640)
 - 2-Leslie Seilback to Harley Literacy/Craft Club ((5 sessions (October to November, 2022) - \$400)
 - 3-Jenna Waters to Harley Maker Space ((5 sessions (October to November, 2022) - \$400)
9. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as advisors to the corresponding after-school clubs at Harley Avenue Primary School, for the 2022-2023 school year, with compensation as listed and funded with a Federal Grant:

Name of Advisor	Club	Rate
Christine Shay	Kindergarten Literature Club	\$2,235
Leslie Seilback	Grade 1 Literature Club	\$2,235
Bari Shapiro	Grade 2 Literature Club	\$2,235

10. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Jesse Marroquin as the club advisor for Boyd Student Council for the 2022-2023 school year, with compensation of \$2,051.
11. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Ilene Fucci and Susan Campo as Career Exploration Advisors at Elwood-John H. Glenn High School, with compensation per advisor in the amount of \$2,800 for the 2022-2023 school year with funding provided by the GEER Grant.

12. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following mentor for the 2022-2023 school year, effective October 20, 2022:

Mentor	Period	Compensation
Linda Scotto	1 Semester	\$500

13. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as Permanent Substitute Teachers, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, at a rate of \$120.00 per day worked:

Name	Initial School Assignment	Effective Dates
Zakiya Celestine	James H. Boyd Intermediate School	11/14/2022 - 6/9/2023
Liam Thompson	Elwood Middle School	11/28/2022 - 6/9/2023
Stephanie Piacentino	Elwood Middle School	9/2/2022 - 6/9/2023
Ronna Fisher	Elwood Middle School	9/2/2022 - 10/12/2022
Shannon Cal	Elwood Middle School	9/2/2022 - 6/9/2023
Danielle Pineryo	Elwood Middle School	9/2/2022 - 6/9/2023

14. 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.
15. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following additional coaches for the Winter, 2022-2023 season at stipends pursuant to the ETA Agreement:
 Ryan Patrovich as Boys' and Girls' Wrestling Coach - \$6,112 (Step 1)
 Stephanie Piacentino as the EMS Girls' Volleyball Coach - \$4,860 (Step 1 - pending receipt of temporary coaching license)
16. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Stephanie Perry, from her position as a Permanent Substitute, effective November 10, 2022.
17. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby rescinds the appointments of the Elwood Middle School and Elwood-John H. Glenn High School Advisors to the co-curricular clubs/activities approved at its October 13, 2022 Board of

Education Meeting; and,
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby appoints the updated and corrected Elwood Middle School and Elwood-John H. Glenn High School Advisors to the co-curricular clubs/activities for the 2022-2023 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

18. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves WorldStrides as the travel services provider for the Elwood-John H. Glenn High School Kickline trip to Orlando, Florida for the period March 2 - 6, 2023, subject to the preparation of a written agreement, approved by district counsel, and said written agreement will be presented to the Board for its consideration at a future meeting of the Board of Education.

19. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves after-school hours for the following teachers, for the purpose of completing curriculum writing, as presented to the Board at this meeting, with compensation of \$66 per hour:

No Place for Hate Lessons	Not to exceed 8 hours per participant
Harley Avenue Primary School	Amy Schombs, Melissa Sheehan
James H. Boyd Intermediate School	Lauren Baker, Devon Dickens
John H. Glenn High School	Laura Raimondi, Richard Rose

20. 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 an Agreement with South Huntington Union Free School District and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for one (1) Elwood UFSD student to participate on South Huntington UFSD's fencing team, effective November 14, 2022 through and including March, 2023, 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, the Board of Education President and Superintendent of Schools are hereby authorized to sign and execute an Agreement with Smithtown Central School District and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for one (1) Elwood UFSD student to participate on Smithtown CSD's Bowling team, effective November 14, 2022 through and including March, 2023, and said Agreement 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 declares the following item as surplus and obsolete as it is beyond repair or outdated and allow for its appropriate removal:
 (1) Piano (Boyd)

23. 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 Mike Shapiro and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing musical choreographer

services to the District, effective January 1, 2023 through March 25, 2023, and said Contract will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

24. 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 Jennifer Most and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing piano accompanist services to the District, for the 2022-2023 school year, and said Contract will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
25. 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 Michael Cunningham and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing professional development services to the District, effective October, 2022 through June, 2023, and said Contract will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
26. 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 Daniel Maimone and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing concert accompanist services to the District, effective October, 2022 through June, 2023, and said Contract will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
27. 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 Transportation Contract with Eastern Suffolk BOCES, for the Field Trip Transportation program with a total anticipated annual cost of \$10,000.00, effective September 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, and said Transportation Contract will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
28. 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 Abilities, Inc. at the Viscardi Center, to provide services to students with disabilities, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
29. 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 3/15/22, 5/24/22, 10/11/22, 10/13/22, 10/19/22, 10/24/22, 10/25/22 and 11/1/22 and the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 9/13/22, 9/28/22, 10/17/22, 10/20/22, 10/21/22, 10/26/22 and 11/2/22 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.

P. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA - None

Q. COMMUNICATIONS - None

R. RESIDENTS' REMARKS

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S. ADJOURNMENT – 9:10 p.m.

Mr. Scarola moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Marx
District Clerk