# ELWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION April 26, 2012

Elwood Middle School Auditorium - 7:30 p.m.

### **MEETING MINUTES**

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Board President

B. CALL TO ORDER – District Clerk (7:38 p.m.)

Present: Joseph Fusaro President

Dan Ciccone (8:20) Vice President

Andrew L. Kaplan Trustee
Michael LaMena Trustee
William Gutekunst Trustee

Staff: Peter C. Scordo Superintendent

William Pastore Asst. Superintendent/Business
MaryAnn Llewellyn Asst. Superintendent/Curriculum

Gene Tranchino Exec. Dir. Adm. & Instructional Tech. & Trans.

Diane Wilkinson Exec. Dir. Special Ed

Peggy Pietzak District Clerk

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

(TAB A)

- 1. Business Meeting March 15, 2012
- and Special Meeting March 29, 2012
   Mr. Kaplan moved and Mr. Gutekunst seconded. The motion carried 4 ayes, 0 nays.

#### D. COMMENDATIONS

This evening we honored:

- <u>Varsity Girls Basketball Team Long Island Champions</u>: Jacqueline Evers, Meaghan Haber, Emma Klis, Alexandria Koenke, Allison McKenna, Rachel Miller, Tanna Mohammed, Maddlyn Sivilli, Mackenzie Sivilli, Monika Sivilli (Coach: Mr. Athanas)
- New York State Wrestling Champions: Nickolas Bellanza, James Dekrone (Coach: Mr. Brocking)
- Huntington Youth Writes Contest Winners: Kathryn Claffey (Teacher: Mrs. Masserwick);
   Kelly Cooney (Teacher: Mrs. Trucios);
   Andrew Reinold (Teacher: Ms. Gieser);
   Farwah Hussain (Teacher: Mrs. Chiarello)

## E. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS/SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS REGARDING TONIGHT'S AGENDA – Mr. Peter C. Scordo

- 1. Student Liaison report was given by Samantha Courbanou
- 2. Report from Gene Tranchino and Pamela Fine re: IXL Math program
- 3. **ANNOUNCEMENT**: Public Forum on May 3, 2012 at the Board Work Session/Budget Hearing **Topic: Change of Zone Application before the Town of Huntington re Oak Tree Dairy property**

#### F. PRESENTATION -- None

#### **G. RESIDENTS' REMARKS** – (8:10 – 8:13 p.m.)

#### H. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- 1. Update re: Bond project William Pastore
- 2. Update re: District wide copier contract Gene Tranchino
- 3. Submission of ideas to Governor Cuomo's Mandate Relief Council (Each local government/ school district may make no more than three review requests in each calendar year.)

#### I. FINANCIAL MATTERS

(TAB B)

- 1. Recommend the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Treasurer's Report for the month ended February 29, 2012.
- 2. **and** the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Revenue Report for the month ended February 29, 2012.
- 3. **and** the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Cash Flow Report for general funds for the month ended February 29, 2012.
- 4. **and** the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Budget Status Report for the month ended February 29, 2012.
- 5. **and** the Board acknowledge receipt for audit of the Trial Balances for all funds as of February 29, 2012
- 6. Recommend the Board approve the budgetary transfers.

  Mr. Gutekunst moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

#### J. BUSINESS MATTERS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following business matters be approved:

#### 1. Personnel Agenda -- as per attached

(TAB C)

Mr. Ciccone made a motion to approve personnel addendum item P8a seconded by Mr. Fusaro (Donation previously approved January 19, 2012) The motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Recommend the Board approve personnel agenda excluding addendum item P8a,

#### 2. and Special Education

- a. 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 31<sup>st</sup>, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> (2 meetings), 29<sup>th</sup> (2 meetings), Mach 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> (2 meetings), 7<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> (3 meetings), 9<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> (3 meetings), 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> (2 meetings), April 2<sup>nd</sup>,
- 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: February 28<sup>th</sup>, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> (3 meetings0, April 2<sup>nd</sup>,

#### 3. Miscellaneous

a. Recommend the Board approve the schedule of Board of Education meetings (TAB D) for the 2012-13 school year. (Superintendent withdrew)

b. and the Board approve the Budget Calendar for the 2013-14 Budget. (TAB E)

c. **and** the Board approve the following policies (first reading):

(TAB F)

0100 Equal Opportunity (Amended)

0110 Sexual Harassment (Amended)

0116 Student Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention

Amendments to the Code of Conduct:

5300.10	Definitions
5300.15	Student Rights and Responsibilities
5300.20	Essential Partners
5300.30	Prohibited Student Conduct
5300.70	Public Conduct on School Property
5300.75	Dissemination and Review.

**4.** Business Agenda -- as per attached

(TAB G)

and the Board approve business agenda excluding item B4b.

Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. LaMena seconded. The motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Recommend the Board approve business agenda item B4b. Mr. Kaplan moved and Mr. Ciccone seconded. The motion carried 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention (Mr. Gutekunst)

- K. ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA
- L. COMMUNICATIONS
- M. <u>RESIDENTS' REMARKS</u> None
- N. <u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> At 9:11 p.m. Mr. Ciccone moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded the motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters and labor relations/contract negotiations. The motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.
- **O.** <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> At 10:54 p.m. Mr. Gutekiunst moved and Mr. LaMena seconded the motion to end executive session and adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Pietzak District Clerk