# FINAL SUMMARY MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 22, 2011 ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

There was a Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education on Tuesday, November 22, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial High School Teachers Room. Present were: Kathleen Policano, Arlene Perna-Rudmann, Sandra Balistrieri, Keith Cannizzo, Louise Gerardi, Lori Sproviero and Claire Kalinowski. Douglas DeMatteo arrived and was seated at 6:55 p.m. and Jennifer Pellegrine arrived and was seated at 6:57 p.m. Also present were Richard D. Tomko, Ph.D., and Superintendent of Schools, Patricia Otten, Confidential Executive Secretary, for the taking of minutes and David Saper, Gilbert Avenue Principal. Members of the public were also present, which included Richard Rudmann and James Monaco.

After the public portion of the meeting, Mr. Moffitt advised the public that the board would enter into closed session for approximately one hour to discuss harassment, intimidation and bullying cases, personnel and litigation. He advised that he would notify the public when they could return to the meeting. By motion of Mr. Cannizzo, which was seconded by Mrs. Sproviero, and unanimously approved by those present, the board entered into closed session at 6:51 p.m. By motion of Ms. Pellegrine, which was seconded by Mr. Cannizzo, the board adjourned from closed session at 7:58 p.m. and proceeded to the Regular Meeting scheduled for that evening.

Following are Final Summary Minutes of the Regular Meeting held by the Elmwood Park Board of Education on Tuesday, November 22, 20110. Official more detailed minutes, are maintained in the Office of the Board Secretary.

The Regular Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was opened at 8:05 p.m. in the Memorial High School Media Center. Present were: Kathleen Policano, Arlene Perna-Rudmann, Sandra Balistrieri, Keith Cannizzo, Douglas DeMatteo, Louise Gerardi, Lori Sproviero, and Claire Kalinowski. Also present were Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, and Mrs. Patricia Otten, Confidential Executive Secretary, for the taking of minutes.

After the flag salute, the reading of the Statement of Compliance was incorporated. "The November Work Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education is scheduled for Tuesday, November 22, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial High School Teachers Faculty Room. The Regular November action meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education is scheduled for Tuesday, November 22, 2011, at 8 p.m. in the Memorial High School Media Center..."

The meeting was opened to the public at 8:17 p.m. and closed to the public at 8:19 p.m.; reopened to the public at 8:30 p.m. and closed to the public at 9:18 p.m. The following individuals addressed the board during the first public portion of the meeting:

Michael Bufis

14 Philip Avenue

Addendum Item Pc, retirement of Kathleen Karcz, Payroll Bookkeeper, after over 27 years of service. Wished her happy retirement and felt there would be a big void in the business office.

Robert Iarossi	76 Caruth Avenue	Echoed sentiments of Mr. Bufis on the
		Retirement of Kathleen Karcz, Payroll
		ookkeeper. He mentioned he had
		Worked with her in the past and felt she
		is the hardest working staff member.

The following individuals addressed the board during the second public portion of the meeting:

Name	Address	Торіс
Robert Iarossi	75 Caruth Avenue	Gave the superintendent a bid result Form from the Paterson Schools indicating that Promedia was 80% higher than other bidders. Questions how long board would insist on using them.
Gladys Gryskiewicz	256 Fencsak Avenue	Inquiries relative to the referendum, specifically whether approval is required from higher authority in regard to the special education building proposed before placing on referendum.
Keith Work	44 Gilbert Avenue	Commented on letters and flyers for distribution in schools. Congratulated winners of contest; Wished everyone Happy Thanksgiving.
Rich DeLorenzo	166 Hillman Drive	Comments on meeting with Recreation Commission; Inquired as to what budget was for school wrestling; Felt disheartened over wrestling contacting league and changing information on website - Tri County Wrestling; Would like to meet in committee to discuss issues.
Laurie Coles	41 Washington Avenue	Thanked board for referendum. First referendum was remarkable for schools. There have been few changes in 30 years. Mayor was against first referendum and she felt he was wrong because it was good for the high school. Feels athletics improves economy.

Mayor Richard Mola	26 Beechwood Avenue	Had referendum questions. Wanted to know if the 19M included interest and if not, how much would that add to the cost. Commented that we are still paying off the first referendum.
Myles Garvey	98 Fencsak Avenue	Commented on how he found it disturbing that individual board members don't answer questions posed by the public and that superintendent should know how much it would cost to replace turf in 10 years. Inquired as to cost of engineer services for their renderings because he felt he didn't get answer. He recommends a meeting between the Recreation Department and board, not superintendent. Looking to cooperate and extending hand.
Michael Bufis	14 Philip Avenue	Inquired as to expenditures for referendum. Heard that model cost \$16,000; Questions how much interest we have to pay on 19M and how much that would add to cost. Made comments on test scores.
Daniel Golabek	44 Godwin Avenue	Comments on the design of the administrative offices; He recommends perhaps three members of the board take the initiative to meet with the mayor and Council to get together to discuss problems. Felt board should have held off on affiliating with league.
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Inquiries as to whether format for meeting is formalized; Comments on evening's test score report presentation when not listed on agenda. Feels there should be time for public comments when test scores are discussed at meeting.
Michael Bufis	14 Philip Avenue	Inquired as to whether position of

Information Officer was filled; Commented that referendum meeting are not posted n local newspapers.

Dr. Richard D. Tomko proceeded with the presentation of the Certificate of Recognition as set forth below and acknowledged that the Elmwood Park Administrators Association donated 20 gift certificates to be given to the contest winners.

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education acknowledge the *achievement(s)* of the following student for being selected as *winner* of the *Week of Respect Poster Contest for Memorial High School* with a *Certificate of Recognition*:

Cheyenne Hidalgo Grade 9

Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education acknowledge the *achievement(s)* of the following student for being selected as *winner* of the *Week of Respect Poster Contest for Memorial Middle School* with a *Certificate of Recognition:* 

Chris Iasiello Grade 8

Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education acknowledge the *achievement(s)* of the following students for being selected as *winners* of the *Week of Respect Poster Contest for Gantner Avenue School* with a *Certificate of Recognition:* 

Gianna Pulvirenti Grade 1

# Caroline Zoltek Grade 4

Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education acknowledge the *achievement(s)* of the following students for being selected as *winners* of the *Week of Respect Poster Contest for Gilbert Avenue School* with a *Certificate of Recognition*:

Shane Smith Grade 1

# Michelle Palustre Grade 4

Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education

# acknowledge the *achievement(s)* of the following students for being selected as *winners* of the *Week* of Respect Poster Contest for Sixteenth Avenue School with a Certificate of Recognition:

# Sofia Bettridge Grade K

#### Justin Abreu Grade 4

Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, congratulates and recommends that the board of education acknowledge the *achievement(s)* of the following students for being selected as *Students of the Month* for October, 2011.

GILBERT AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Anthony Natale	K
Isabel Rosado	K
Simone Kowalczyk	K
Cristian Bracero	1
Tyler Minogue	1
Julia Starita	1
Sabrina Huezo	2
Kaya Augustyniak	2
Alam Munassar	3
George Luis	3
Michelle Palustre	4
Robert Bruce	4
Aleksandar Sekulovski	5
Julianna Ceballos	5

GANTNER AVENUE SCHOOL

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Victoria Mocarski	Pre-K
Viktoria Stojceski	Κ
Madison Gabriel	Κ
Kamil Mocarski	1
Jaden Rosa	1
Dylan Fallas	2
Arianna Sirianni	2
William Johnson	2 & 3
Miguel Montero	3
Kaitlyn Kida	3
Jaden Vargas	3 & 4

Antonio Russo	4
Radhika Patel	4
Jason Li	5
Chelsea Plaza	5
Melissa Pisulewski	5

# SIXTEENTH AVENUE SCHOOL STUDENT NAME

# GRADE

Samuel Montanez	Pre-K
Johnothan Patrice	Pre-K
Joey Sgambati	K - 1
Joseph Pineda	K - 2
Sattah Lawrence	K
Adam Bartoszek	K
Amber Garcia	K
Jordan Ulatoski	1
Victoria Galette	1
Sophia Mitreski	1
Samreen Kashem	2 - 4
Simra Ahmed	2
Ismail Shaikh	2
Danny Rodriguez	2
Sebastian Lupinski	3
Petros Kritoulis	3
Giovanni Ingui	3
Fatma Gazeyoglu	4
Rickia Tate	4
Juan Bravo	4
Kaitlyn Loder	5
Roman Andrach	5

# MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT NAME

# GRADE

Santiago Rada	6
Humphrey DeGuzman	7
Daisha Rivera	8

STUDENT NAME

GRADE

Haley Gasiewicz	9
Joseph Candela	10
Daniel Golabek	11
Victoria Grabowski	12

During his Report of Board Secretary/Business Administrator, William P. Moffitt, provided details in regard to the Violence and Vandalism Report for the 2010-2011 school year, a copy of which is attached.

Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, made a Power Point Presentation on test scores during his report of the Superintendent followed by a question and answer from the general public.

Name	Address	Topic
Jeffrey Freitag	45 Hillman Drive	General questions about presentation; General comments on DFG and suggested district provide handout in future.
Gladys Gryskiewicz	256 Fencsak Avenue	Felt teachers are not reading student's EPs; Inquired if there are committees working on improving situation.
Michael Bufis	14 Philip Avenue	Inquired as to whether evening's Power Point presentation was going on web. Recommended addition of definitions and some footnotes for explanation purposes;

# 1. PERSONNEL

# A. <u>EMPLOYMENT</u>

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Policano, the board approves personnel action resolutions PA1 through PM.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

 Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *amend* the base salary for the appointment of *Ms. Daniela Buscio*, 220 Orchard Street, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407, as the Basic Skills Teacher at Memorial Middle School, originally approved at \$55,944, pro-rated Step 5 of the MA teacher salary guide during the November 7, 2011 meeting of the board trustees to \$54,522, pro-rated Step 5 of the MA teacher salary guide for 2011/2012 school year.

- 2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *amend* the base salary for the appointment of *Ms. Stephanie Rossi*, 66 Park Avenue, Hillsdale, NJ 07642, as Guidance Counselor at Memorial Middle School, originally approved at \$53,944, pro-rated Step 4 of the MA teacher salary guide during the November 7, 2011 meeting of the board trustees to \$52,522, pro-rated Step 4 of the MA teacher salary guide for 2011/2012 school year.
- Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *appointment* of *Ms. Maria Visaggio* 21 Donor Avenue, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407 as Pre-K Autistic classroom teacher at Sixteenth Avenue School, at a salary of \$43,772, pro-rated, step 1, of the BA teacher salary guide, effective November 23, 2011 through June 30, 2011.

# B. <u>RESIGNATION</u>

N/A

C. <u>RETIREMENT</u>

N/A

D. <u>COACHES/STIPEND</u>

N/A

# E. <u>APPOINTMENT OF AIDES</u>

 Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *appointment* of the following aides at Sixteenth Avenue School for the 2011/2012 school year:

NAME	POSITION	UPC#	SALARY	LOCATION
Sarah Graham	Kindergarten Class-Size	AIDE.04.121.NA.13	\$13.50/HR	Sixteenth Avenue
	Aide			School
Danielle Garcia	Aide for Care Program	N/A	\$12.50/HR	Floating (All Schools)

# F. <u>SUBSTITUTES</u>

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the appointment of the following substitutes for the 2011-2012 school year:

*Mr. Adrian Prunes* 35 Peach Tree Court Hawthorne, NJ 07506

*Ms. Lindsay Gawrylo* 55 Disepo Avenue Hawthorne, NJ 07506

*Ms. Nia Romero* 389 Columbia Blvd. Wood Ridge, NJ 07075

*Ms. Angela Civadanes* 219 Miller Avenue Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

*Ms. Angela Procopio* 40 Dawson Drive West Caldwell, NJ 07006

*Elisa Torturgul* 84 Washington Avenue Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

*Ms. Landorn Shell* 51 Brighton Terrace Irvington, NJ 07111

*Ms. Rebecca Frenkel* 1-25 34<sup>th</sup> Street Fairlawn, NJ 07410

*Ms Anna Marie Passucci* 329 Fifth Street Saddle Brook, NJ 07663

*Ms. Evone Fiore* 9 Southwyck Lane Warwick, NY 10990

*Ms. Traci Weisenberg* 121 Hillside Avenue Nutley, NJ 07110

*Ms. Andrea Randazzo* 104 Gall Court Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

*Ms. Lina Alhaj* 35 Maplewood Avenue Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

*Ms. Melissa Schweitzer* 26 Augusta Street Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

# *Ms. Ashley Kraemer* 79 North Street Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

NOTE: These appointments do not include benefits, vacations, health benefits, sick leave, sabbatical leave, or any other benefits provided by contract between the Elmwood Park Education Association and the Elmwood Park Board of Education.

# G. TRANSFERS

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm the *transfer* of *Andria Randazzo* from Kindergarten Classroom Aide to one to one aide at the Sixteenth Avenue School.

# H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

# $\underline{N/A}$

# I. <u>VOLUNTEER</u>

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education approve the appointment of volunteers, as set forth below.

Carolyn Smith	Media Center Volunteer	Sixteenth Avenue School	2011-2012 School Year
	Without Pay		
Patricia DeFedele	Media Center Volunteer	Sixteenth Avenue School	2011-2012 School Year
	Without Pay		

# J. FMLA

 Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education approve the *Maternity/Disability Leave* for *Mrs. Shannon Lucas* from February 6, 2012 through May 31, 2012.

# K. WORKSHOP/TRAINING

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the following request for the 2011/2012 school year, for the following employees to attend workshops:

Name	Position	Date	Sub.	Cost	Activity	Location
Christina Buldo	Elementary School Counselor	November 18, 2011	Req. Yes	No	"Positive Behavior Supports in the Classroom"	East Orange, NJ
Dr. Angela Snow	High School Teacher	January 12, 13, and 14, 2012	Yes	No	"Partners in Science National Conference"	San Diego, Ca.
Jaime Dopozo	High School Teacher	November 29, 2011	Yes	No	"Bullying"	Perth Amboy, NJ
Mrs. Corrine DiMartino	Middle School Vice Principal	December 6 & December 7, 2011	No	No	"Using Data to Improve & Inspire Student Achievement"	Bergen Community College
Kathleen Cash	Gantner Avenue School Psychologist	December 9, 2011	No	Employee to incur cost	Bullying and Cyberbullying; Preventing & Responding to Digital Assault	Jamesburg, NJ
Alison DiScola	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher	December 5, 2011	Yes	No	"ABC's of Digital Tools in the Early Childhood Classroom."	Piscataway, NJ
Maria Kittaneh	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher	December 5, 2011	Yes	No	"ABC's of Digital Tools in the Early Childhood Classroom."	Piscataway, NJ

# L. STUDENT TEACHING OBSERVATION/PRACTICUM

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *student teaching observations/internships* as listed below:

Name	School	From	То	Teacher	Subject
Joshua Berkowitz	Memorial Middle School	February 6, 2012	May 7, 2012	Mrs. Buffa	Grade 6-8
Catherine Fisher	Sixteenth Avenue	February 6, 2012	May 7, 2012	Christina Cypher	K-2 Self- Contained
Sarah Epstein	Memorial High School	January 9, 2012	January 13, 2012	Ms. Cedeno	Math
Jill Torrento	Gilbert Avenue School	January 3, 2012	June 22, 2012	David Saper, Principal	Internship for Masters Program at Montclair State

# M. <u>PARAPROFESSIONALS</u>

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of e ducation approve the appointment of the following paraprofessionals.

Name	Position	School	Effective Date
Steven Herget	High School Girls Basketball	Memorial High School	November 23, 2011

Teri Giumara Middle School Girls Basketball	Memorial Middle School	November 23, 2011
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#### N. EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

N/A

O. JOB DESCRIPTIONS

N/A

2. PUPILS

N/A

#### 3. GENERAL

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Rudmann, the board approves general action resolutions G1 through G9.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

G1. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request from Mr. Lawrence DeSantis, Middle School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Cheese Cake Sale Ashley Farms Tuesday, November 1, 2011 – Tuesday, November 15, 2011 Outside of school Grades 6 - 8 Middle School PTO

Middle School PTO Candle Sale Our Own Candle Company Monday, March 5, 2012 – Tuesday, March 20, 2012 Grades 6, 7, and 8 Ms. Lisa Rego G2. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request from Mrs. Allison Jackter, Gantner Avenue School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Annual Fifth Grade Dance Friday, June 15, 2012 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Memorial Middle School Gym District Grade 5 students from Gantner, Gilbert and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue Schools Grade 5 Class Committees

Band-Aid Donation Fundraiser Tomorrow's Children Fund Thursday, December 1, 2011 – Wednesday, February 1, 2012 Gantner Avenue School School-wide participation Mrs. Dorin Aspras

> Grade 5 Field Trip Jenkinson's Aquarium Point Pleasant, NJ Wednesday, December 7, 2011 9:30 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. Ms. Camacho, Ms. Sabina, Ms. Reeves

Science Fair Grades 2 & 3 Create and Demonstrate Biomes Gantner Avenue School Gym Tuesday, January 24, 2012 10:00 a.m. All grades to attend Mrs. Rosenberg

> Spirit Wear: Pajama Day Friday, December 23, 2011 School-wide participation Mrs. Jackter

Pajama Drive Fund Wed., Nov. 23, 2011 – Fri., Dec. 9, 2011 School-wide participation Ms. Vandermast G3. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request from Mr. David Warner, Memorial High School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

> Fun Pasta Sale Fundraiser Out of School Wednesday, November 23, 2011 – Friday, December 23, 2011 The Sophomore Class Mrs. Debra Cardone

> > Math Fair Field Trip William Paterson University Wayne, NJ Friday, November 18, 2011 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Science/Math Academy Students Mr. Wallin

Pizza/Drink Sale Fundraiser Tuesday - Friday, January 24, 2012 – January 27, 2012 12:18 p.m. HS Lobby Students Grade 6 – 12 Sophomore/Junior Class Ms. Debra Cardone/Ms. Diane Schmitt

> Elmwood Park Senior Citizens Breakfast Sponsored by EPEA Friday, March 23, 2012 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Senior Cafeteria Ms. Connie Sudol

Pennies for Patients Fundraiser Donations for Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Monday, February 6, 2012 – Friday, February 24, 2012 Student Café, Teachers Café, Nurses Office High School Teachers and Students Mrs. Alfonso, Mrs. Mulligan G4. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *PTO Meeting Dates* request from Mrs. Allison Jackter, Gantner Avenue School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Meetings for PTO Tricky Tray November 30, 2011; December 14, 2011; January 18, 2012; February 8, 2012 March 14, 2012; April 4, 2012; April 17, 2012; April 18, 2012 Gantner Avenue School Gymnasium 7:00 p.m. PTO Executive Board

G5. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *donation* request from Mr. David Saper, Gilbert Avenue School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Mr. Gryskiewicz donated 30 slightly used children's books to the Gilbert Avenue School Library

G6. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request from Mr. Dominick Silla, Sixteenth Avenue School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

> Holiday Laser Spooktacular Show Sixteenth Avenue School Gymnasium Tuesday, October 25, 2011 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Students Pre-K through 5 and families PTO Parents

Girl Scout Meetings 2011-2012 Sixteenth Avenue School Media Center Wednesdays 9/14, 10/19, 11/16, 12/21, 1/18, 2/15, 3/14, 4/18, 5/16, 6/13 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Cadette/Senior Girl Scouts Ms. Suzanne Vierling G7. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *donation* request from Mrs. Allison Jackter, Gantner Avenue School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Ms. Elane Giardina, Pomptonian employee, donated 40 gently used books to the Gantner Avenue Media Center

Mrs. Alison DiScola donated a signed copy of Dick Vitale's book, "Dickie V's ABC's and 1-2-3's" to the Gantner Avenue School Media Center

G8. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the continuation of *The Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement*, between the Elmwood Park Board of Education and the Elmwood Park Police Department for the 2011-2012 school year.

G9. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the District and Board goals established for the 2011-2012 school year, as outlined below (action plans forthcoming):

# Elmwood Park 2011 – 2012 Goals (District)

The board adopts district-wide goals and performance measures that reflect that the highest priority is given to student achievement

- Continue to improve student achievement through curriculum alignment and program assessment
- Prioritize and address urgent facility projects to accommodate a growing enrollment and aging facilities
- Enhance the educational environment, with emphasis on respect and developing creative thinkers and global citizens

# Elmwood Park 2011 - 2012 Goals

# (Board)

# Board goals constitute a professional development improvement plan directed towards increasing knowledge and skills in policy making and governance for members of the board

- Effectively promote the needs of the district to the community
- Evaluate the internal board communication processes and adapt as necessary

4.	BUSINESS
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# M. Approval of Minutes

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Balistrieri, approving business action resolution M1, Approval of Minutes.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

**M1.** BE IT RESOLVED: that the minutes of the following meeting be approved:

Regular Meeting - October 18, 2011

# F. Financial – N/A

# F2. <u>Confirmation of Bills and Warrants – 2011-2012</u>

Motion of Ms. Pellegrine, Seconded by Mr. Cannizzo, approving business action resolution F2.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

BE IT RESOLVED:	that, based upon the recommendation of the
	superintendent and business administrator, the bills
	payable October 2011, from Valley National Bank
	Board of Education General Account, which were
	reviewed by Finance Committee be confirmed for
	payment.

# F3. <u>Stipend and Overtime Payroll Confirmation</u>

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving business action resolution F3.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present, with the exception that Mrs. Balistrieri recused herself from the vote on items 105711 and 106031.

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Elmwood Park Board of Education confirms the action of the board secretary/business administrator in issuing the stipend payroll for October 2011, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

that the Elmwood Park Board of Education confirms the action of the board secretary/business administrator and the superintendent in issuing overtime and per diem vouchers received and made payable for October 2011, as attached.

#### F4a. Acknowledgment of Student Activity Account Balances

Motion of Mr. DeMatteo, Seconded by Mrs. Policano, approving business action resolutions F4a and F4b.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the board secretary/ business administrator, the board acknowledges student activity account balances for period ending September 2011, as attached.

#### F4b. Acknowledgment of Student Activity Account Balances

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the board secretary/ business administrator, the board acknowledges student activity account balances for period ending October 2011, as attached.

# **BG. Business General**

#### **BG1.** Use of Facilities - Approvals

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mr. DeMatteo, approving business action resolutions BG1 through BG6.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

BE IT RESOLVED:	that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the board approves the requests for Use of School Facilities, per Board Policy #1330, as attached.
	#1330, as attached.

# BG2. <u>Use of Facilities – Approvals – Outside Organizations</u>

BE IT RESOLVED:	that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent
	and business administrator, the board approves the
	requests for Use of School Facilities, per Board Policy
	#1330, as attached.

# BG3. Acceptance of Comprehensive Maintenance Plan

BE IT RESOLVED:	that the Elmwood Park Board of Education hereby accepts and authorizes the board secretary/business
	administrator to submit the attached Comprehensive
	Maintenance Plan or Fiscal Year 2011-2012 and
	Budget Year 2012-2013 in compliance with
	Department of Education requirements, as attached.

# BG4. School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report/Middle School Avenue School

BE IT RESOLVED:that the Elmwood Park Board of Education hereby<br/>authorizes that the attached Bus Emergency Evacuation<br/>Drill Report for Middle School Avenue School be<br/>reflected in official board minutes of this meeting.

# BG5. <u>School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report/High School</u>

BE IT RESOLVED:	that the Elmwood Park Board of Education hereby
	authorizes that the attached Bus Emergency Evacuation
	Drill Report for High School Avenue School be
	reflected in official board minutes of this meeting.

# BG6. <u>School Bus Emergency Evacuation Drill Report/Gilbert Avenue School</u>

BE IT RESOLVED:	that the Elmwood Park Board of Education hereby
	authorizes that the attached Bus Emergency Evacuation
	Drill Report for Gilbert Avenue School be reflected in
	official board minutes of this meeting.

# L. Legal

# L1. Contract Award for Bergen County Special Services School District

Motion of Mr. DeMatteo, Seconded by Mrs. Balistrieri, approving legal action resolutions L1 through L3.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the board approves entering into contract with Bergen County Special Services School District to provide supplemental instruction, speech, and occupational therapy services for nonpublic school students for the 2010/2011 school year, as attached.

# L2. Approve Entrance into Joint Transportation Agreement with Englewood Public Schools

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the board approves entrance into joint transportation agreement with Englewood Public Schools, as attached.

# L3. Approve Entrance into Agreement with DiCara/Rubino Architects

BE IT RESOLVED:	that, upon recommendation of the superintendent and
	business administrator, the board approves entrance into

contract with DiCara/Rubino Architects to provide consulting and advisory services, as attached.

# H. Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Policano, Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying action resolution H1 through H17.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

H. BE IT RESOLVED: that, the Elmwood Park Board of Education does hereby affirm the Superintendent's decision on Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying cases.

# Addendum 1

# 1. PERSONNEL

# A. <u>EMPLOYMENT</u>

Motion of Mr. DeMatteo, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving personnel action resolutions PA through PH1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

4. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *confirm/approve* the appointment of *Ms. Brianna Jeffers*, 211 Manhattan Terrace, Dumont, NJ, as School Psychologist maternity leave replacement at Memorial Middle School, at a per diem rate based on MA Step 3, \$50,722 for 2011/2012 school year, effective November 23, 2011 through February 13, 2012.

# C. <u>RETIREMENT</u>

 Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *accept* the letter of intent to *retire* from Mrs. *Kathleen Karcz,* Payroll Bookkeeper, effective February 1, 2012.

# H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

1. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *movement on guide* for *Monica Naughton Brown*, Middle

School Teacher, from MA, Step 11 - \$67,772, to MA + 30, Step 11 - \$71,272, effective September 1, 2011.

# 2. STUDENTS

Motion of Mrs. Gerardi, Seconded by Mrs. Policano, approving student action resolutions S1 through S3.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

- 1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *public out of district placement(s)* for the 2011/2012 school year, as attached.
- 2) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve *extended school year program(s)* for students in out-of district placements for the summer of 2011, per Individual Educational Plan, as attached:
- 3) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *out of district one to one aide(s)* for the 2011/2012 school year, as attached.

# 3. GENERAL

Motion of Mrs. Gerardi, Seconded by Mr. DeMatteo, approved general action resolution G10.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

G10. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request from Mr. David Warner, High School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Animal Advocate Club November – June 2012 "pilot" time frame After School Students grades 9-12 may participate

#### Mrs. Burke

#### 4. BUSINESS

# M. Approval of Minutes

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Balistrieri, approving action resolution M2.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present, except for Jennifer Pellegrine who abstained from the vote.

M2.	BE IT RESOLVED:	that the minutes of the following meeting
		be approved:

Motion of Mrs. Policano, Seconded by Mrs. Rudmann, approved action resolution BG&.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

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#### BG. BUSINESS GENERAL

BG7. Use of Facilities - Approvals

Motion of Mrs. Policano, Seconded by Mrs. Rudmann, approving business general action resolution BG7.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

BE IT RESOLVED:	that, upon the recommendation of the
	superintendent and business administrator, the board
	approves the requests for Use of School Facilities, per
	Board Policy #1330, as attached.

# L. LEGAL

L4. Approve Revised Contract for Jeanne Rivellini, Nurse

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Policano, approving legal action resolution L4 through L6.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon recommendation of the

superintendent, and business administrator, the board does hereby approve entrance into revised contract with Jeanne Rivellini, Nurse, to provide basic nursing services to eligible students attending non-public schools.

# L5. Award Contract for Nancy Kelly, Nurse

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon recommendation of the superintendent and board secretary/ business administrator, the board awards and approves the entrance into a contract with Nancy Kelly for basic non-public nursing services.

# L6. Approve Contract for Professional Sports Medicine Associates, LLC.

BE IT RESOLVED:

that, upon recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the board of education hereby approves entering into contract with PROFESSIONAL SPORTS MEDICINE ASSOCIATES, LLC, to provide medical services for the 2011-2012 school year, as attached.

Addendum 2

GENERAL

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mr. DeMatteo, approving general action resolution G11.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

G11. Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *activity/events/fundraisers/etc.* request from Mr. David Warner, High School Principal, for the 2011-2012 school year as listed below:

Sweatshirt Sale Wednesday, December 1, 2011 – Wednesday, December 22, 2011 In & Out of School Competition Cheerleading Squad Christine Carnavale

> Competition Cheerleader Candle Sale Our Own Candle Company

Monday, November 28, 2011 – Friday, December 16, 2011 Competition Cheerleading Squad Christine Carnavale

Holiday Candy Grams Monday, December 19, 2011 – Wednesday, December 22, 2011 In School During Lunch Competition Cheerleading Squad Christine Carnavale

Flower Bulbs Fundraiser Monday, November 28, 2011 – Friday, December 9, 2011 Out of School Competition Cheerleading Squad Christine Carnavale

Gertrude Hawk Candy Sale Monday, January 9, 2012 – Tuesday, January 31, 2012 Out of School Competition Cheerleading Squad Christine Carnavale

# F2a. <u>Confirmation of Bills and Warrants – 2011-2012</u>

Motion of Ms. Pellegrine, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving business action resolution F2.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present.

BE IT RESOLVED:	<ul> <li>that, based upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the bills payable October 2011, from Valley National Bank Board of Education General Account, which were reviewed by Finance Committee be confirmed for payment.</li> </ul>
	payment.

By motion of Ms. Pellegrine, which was seconded by Mr. DeMatteo, and unanimously approved by roll call vote of the members present, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

I hereby certify these final summary minutes of the meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education in session on Tuesday, November 22, 2011, to be true and correct and in complete agreement with the official Minute Book of the Board of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

William P. Moffitt

Board Secretary