

**FINAL MINUTES**  
**REORGANIZATION MEETING**  
**ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**JANUARY 5, 2016**

The Reorganization meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was held on Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at 6:29 p.m. in the High School/Middle School Media Center.

Present were: Mrs. Jeanne Freitag, Mrs. Louise Gerardi, Mr. Keith Cannizzo, Mr. Douglas DeMatteo, Mrs. Doris Wechtler, Mr. Daniel Golabek, Mrs. Gladys Gryskiewicz and Mr. Daniel Altamar. Mrs. Kathleen Policano was absent. Also present were Mr. Anthony Grieco, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. John DiPaola, Business Administrator / Board Secretary, Mr. Angelo DeSimone, State Monitor, and Mrs. Darla Palmesino, Confidential Executive Secretary, for the taking of minutes, and members of the public.

Roll call was taken. The Statement of Compliance, is hereby incorporated: In accordance with requirements of Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, known as the "Open Public Meetings Act," this is to confirm that we are in compliance with the Sunshine Law and all appropriate postings and notices have been made. The following information is Board of Education Policy: "1) Any individual addressing the board of education is to state his/her name and address and sign the register at the podium. 2) No verbal accusation against any employee or member of the board of education shall be permitted. Such accusations may be presented in writing and will be given full consideration by the board of education. 3) No action will be taken by the board of education at the same meeting on requests from the public, which may necessitate either a new policy or a change in existing policy." Everyone stood for the flag salute and a moment of silence.

Mr. DiPaola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, read the election results for the School Boards Election held on November 3, 2015.

The newly elected members of the Elmwood Park Board of Education, Daniel Altamar, Jeanne Freitag and Gladys Gryskiewicz; were sworn in by the Honorable Richard Mola.

After brief comments by the newly elected trustees, Mr. DiPaola, called for nominations for President.

Mrs. Jeanne Freitag was nominated as President by Motion of Mrs. Gryskiewicz and Seconded by Mrs. Wechtler. There were no other nominations for President. Mrs. Freitag was approved 7-1 by roll call vote of the members present.

Mr. DiPaola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, yielded to Mrs. Freitag, Board President, who called for the nominations for Vice-President.

Mr. Daniel Golabek was nominated as Vice-President by Motion of Mrs. Gryskiewicz and Seconded by Mrs. Wechtler. There were no other nominations for Vice-President. Mr. Golabek was approved 7-1 by roll call vote of the members present.

At 6:44 p.m. the meeting was opened to public comments.

Mr. Dombrowski

- Congratulated new board members
- Thanked Mrs. Gerardi for her service as President
- Wished everyone the best of luck!

Board Comments

- Congratulated new board members
- Thanked the previous president, Mrs. Gerardi, for her time on the board.

Mr. Grieco

- Welcomed new board members
- Thanked Mrs. Gerardi for her service as President
- Board Committees
- PARCC Scores at next meeting
- District goals
- Board certification

At 6:55 p.m. a Motion to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting was made by Mrs. Gryskiewicz and Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi. A unanimous vote was made to adjourn the meeting.

I hereby certify these final summary minutes of the meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education in session on January 5, 2016, to be true and correct and in complete agreement with the official Minute Book of the Board of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

John DiPaola  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary



**Elmwood Park Board of Education  
ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY**

**AGENDA**

**REORGANIZATION MEETING**

**JANUARY 5, 2016**

**A REORGANIZATION OF THE ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION IS BEING HELD THIS EVENING AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE MEMORIAL HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER, 375 RIVER DRIVE, ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY.**

1. SUNSHINE STATEMENT, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. RESULT OF THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION  
November 3, 2015  
Gladys Gryskiewicz 1,209  
Jeanne Freitag 1,207  
Daniel Altamar 1,034
3. ADMINISTERING OF OATHS OF OFFICE
4. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY BOARD SECRETARY
5. ROLL CALL

Daniel Altamar  
Keith Cannizzo  
Doug DeMatteo  
Jeanne Freitag  
Louise Gerardi

Daniel Golabek  
Gladys Gryskiewicz  
Kathy Policano  
Doris Wechtler

6. BOARD COMMENTS BY NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS





11. ANNUAL CODE OF ETHICS PRESENTATION AND REVIEW

**CODE OF EHTICS FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Elmwood Park Board of Education hereby adopts the Code of Ethics for School Boards Members and authorizes the board secretary/business administrator to reflect in the minutes that a discussion transpired in regard to the school Ethics Act as required and attached.

Motion of: Mrs. Wechtler  
Seconded By: Mr. Altamar

Consent Vote on items:

|                  | <b>DA</b> | <b>KC</b> | <b>DD</b> | <b>JF</b> | <b>LG</b> | <b>DG</b> | <b>GG</b> | <b>KP</b> | <b>DW</b> |
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| <b>AYE</b>       | <b>X</b>  | <b>X</b>  | <b>X</b>  | <b>X</b>  | <b>X</b>  | <b>X</b>  | <b>X</b>  |           | <b>X</b>  |
| <b>NAY</b>       |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| <b>ABSENT</b>    |           |           |           |           |           |           |           | <b>X</b>  |           |
| <b>ABSTAINED</b> |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| <b>RECUSED</b>   |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

13. BOARD COMMENTS

14. ADJOURNMENT

Certified to be true copies of resolutions adopted by the Elmwood Park Board of Education at its meeting held on January 5, 2016.

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John DiPaola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary