

**FINAL SUMMARY MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING – MAY 29, 2013  
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Following are Final Summary Minutes of Special Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29, 2013, in the Memorial Middle School Gym. The meeting was opened at 6:32 p.m.

Present were: Keith Cannizzo, Jeanne Freitag, Arlene Rudmann, Peter Scolaro, Stephen Zaccone, Louise Gerardi. Jennifer Pellegrine, Kathleen Policano, and Douglas DeMatteo, were absent from the meeting. Also present were: William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/Business Administrator, and Thomas Egan, State Monitor, Principal David Saper, Principal Anthony Grieco; Principal Alyson Jackter, Director Anthony Iachetti, and members of the public. Vice-President Louise Gerardi presided over the meeting.

After the flag salute, there was a moment of silence. A copy of the Meeting Notice is hereby incorporated: “There will be a Special Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education on Wednesday, May 29, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial Middle School Gym. Agenda: 1. Approval of Bills and Warrants, 2) Approval of Projects; 3) Approval of personnel appointments; and 4) Any and all other Matters pertaining to the board. Action will be taken.”

The Statement of Compliance, as read by William P. Moffitt Board Secretary/Business Administrator, 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.”

The meeting was opened to the public at 6:34 p.m. The open session was interrupted at from 6:35 p.m. to 6:37 p.m. by an individual setting up audiovisual equipment without prior approval of the board. Board Secretary, William P. Moffitt, advised the individual that it was necessary to obtain proper board approval prior to taking a video of any board meetings as per board policy. The open session resumed at 6:38 p.m. and closed to the public at 6:56 p.m.

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

Name	Address	Topic
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Inquiries as to agenda items 4 and 5; Comments in regard to facilities projects and related auditorium and locker repair projects.

State Monitor, Thomas Egan, gave update on projects on the agenda during first open session and a general overview of projects being formulated to undertake during the summer of 2013.



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

**AGENDA**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**MAY 29, 2013**

**A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION IS BEING HELD THIS EVENING AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL GYMNASIUM, 375 RIVER DRIVE, ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY.**

- A. OPENING: ROLL CALL, SUNSHINE STATEMENT
- B. OPEN SESSION: REVIEW OF MEETING AGENDA
- C. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- F. ADJOURNMENT

1. RETIREMENT

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *accept* the following employee resignation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:26-10; 18A:28-8; and Board of Education Policy 3141 for the 2012/2013 school year:

Name	Position	UPC	Location	Effective Date
Jerry Green	Math Teacher	TCH.01.MATH.HS.03	High School	June 30, 2013

2. GENERAL

1) Dr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education *accept* the recommendation to appoint district staff for the 2013/2014 school year. (As Amended)

3. CONFIRMATION OF BILLS AND WARRANTS

BE IT RESOLVED:

that, based upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the bills payable by check numbers 17654 through 17740 and wire transfers, totaling \$700,154.32, from Valley National Bank Board of Education General Account, which were reviewed by the Finance Committee, be confirmed for payment.

Motion of: Mr. Cannizzo  
 Seconded By: Mr. Scolaro

Consent Vote on items: 1 - 3

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
<b>AYE</b>	x	1-2 x			x	x	x	x	
<b>NAY</b>		3 x							
<b>ABSENT</b>			x	x					
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									x
<b>RECUSED</b>									

Mrs. Freitag stated: " I voted no on #3 because I only just received and feel it was hard for me to support."

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William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/Business Administrator

4. CONTRACT AMENDMENT / A.E. INC.

BE IT RESOLVED: that, the board of education hereby amends contract awarded to **A.E Inc.**, Newtown Square, PA to repair and electrostatically paint student lockers on the first floor of the Memorial Middle / High School from an original cost of \$22,137 to \$23,185.

5. CONTRACT AWARD / STONE CREER INC.

BE IT RESOLVED: that, the board of education hereby approves entering into contract with **Stone Creer Inc.**, Lodi, NJ for the removal of existing auditorium seating at the Memorial Middle / High School for a cost of \$11,625.

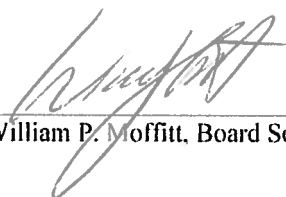
Motion of: Mr. Cannizzo  
 Seconded By: Mrs. Rudmann

Consent Vote on items: 4 - 5

	KC	JF	JP	KP	AR	PS	SZ	LG	DD
<b>AYE</b>	x				x	x	x	x	
<b>NAY</b>		x							
<b>ABSENT</b>			x	x					x
<b>ABSTAINED</b>									
<b>RECUSED</b>									

Mrs. Freitag stated: "I only just received and would prefer to discuss prior to voting. I'd like to iron out issues before official vote."

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 William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/Business Administrator

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard D. Tomko, Ph.D.  
 Superintendent of Schools

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The meeting was reopened to the public at 7:01 p.m. and closed to the public at 7:23 p.m.  
The following individuals addressed the board during the public portion of the meeting:


<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Gladys Gryskiewicz	256 Pencsak Avenue	Comments in regard to facilities and security projects.
Steve	Resident	Comments in regard to projects, fundraisers, and donations to district.
Dorin Asparas	81 Van Riper Avenue	Comments in regard to recent school lockdown; Comments in regard to 2013-2014 security budget; and comments in regard to facilities and scheduled projects.
Richard Trawinski	42 Walnut Street	Comments in regard to Superintendent's merit pay.
Rosa Messina	83 Palsa Avenue	Comments in regard to superintendent's merit pay and questions in regard to district test scores.
Sandra Balistrieri	141 Willow Street	Comments in regard to recent lockdown.
Jeffrey Freitag	35 Hillman Drive	Comments in regard to facilities and scheduled projects.

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By motion of Mr. Cannizzo, which was seconded by Mrs. Rudmann, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

I hereby certify these final summary minutes of the Special Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education in session on Monday, April 29, 2013, 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