

FINAL MINUTES
-SPECIAL MEETING-
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
JUNE 1, 2016

A Special Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was held on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 and began at 6:00 p.m. in the High School/Middle School Media Center.

Present were: Mr. Daniel Altamar, Mr. Keith Cannizzo, Mr. DeMatteo, Mrs. Louise Gerardi, Mrs. Doris Wechtler, Mr. Daniel Golabek and Mrs. Jeanne Freitag. Also present were Mr. Anthony Grieco, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. John DiPaola, Business Administrator / Board Secretary, Mr. Angelo DeSimone, State Monitor, and Ms. Carolyn Chaudry, the board attorney, 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."

At 6:05 p.m. the board conducted interviews of four candidates who had expressed interest in the vacant board seat. Candidates were individually asked the same questions in public session.

At 6:37 p.m. a Motion to go into Closed Session was made by Mrs. Wechtler and Seconded by Mr. Altamar.

Whereas, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and Whereas, the Board is of the opinion that such circumstances exist. Now therefore, be it resolved, that the Elmwood Park Board of Education will meet in closed session to discuss the Board Interviews and District Personnel matters and will disclose to the public the subject matter listed when circumstances dictate the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Motion passed all in favor.

Mrs. Freitag announced the board would return to Public Session to take action at the conclusion of the Executive Session. The board left the Media Center to conduct Executive Session in the Faculty Dining Room.

At 7:20 p.m. a motion as made by Mrs. Wechtler seconded by Mr. Altamar, and unanimously approved by voice vote of the members present, to return to Public Session.

At 7:21 p.m. Mrs. Freitag opened up the meeting to the public for comments on Agenda items only. No one approached the podium to speak and the public portion was closed at 7:21 p.m.

GENERAL

APPROVAL OF BOARD MEMBER TO FILL OPEN POSITION

1. THAT THE ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION APPOINTS MR. JAMES MONACO TO FILL THE REMAINING PORTION OF VACANT BOARD SEAT UNTIL THE JANUARY 2017 RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING.

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

Vote

	DA	KC	DD	LG	KP	DW	DG	JF
AYE	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
NAY								
ABSENT					X			
ABSTAINED								
RECUSED								

Mr. DiPaola administered the Required Oath for School Board Members to Mr. Monaco who then took a seat at the board table.

The meeting was then opened to public comments at 7:21 p.m.

Mr. Freitag commented on the sound system not being set-up for the meeting and the petition process for running for the board in November.

The meeting was closed to the public at 7:25 p.m.

Mr. Monaco thanked the board for the opportunity to serve on the board.

Several board members welcomed Mr. Monaco to the board.

A Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:28 p.m. by Mrs. Wechtler and Seconded by Mr. Altamar. 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 June 1, 2016, to be true and correct and in complete agreement with the official Minute Book of the Board of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John DiPaola".

John DiPaola
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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

AGENDA

SPECIAL MEETING

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A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION IS BEING HELD THIS EVENING AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE MEDIA CENTER AT MEMORIAL MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL, 375 RIVER DRIVE, ELMWOOD PARK, NEW JERSEY.

A. OPENING: ROLL CALL, SUNSHINE STATEMENT, FLAG SALUTE

B. INTERVIEW OF BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES

C. CLOSED SESSION

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D. AGENDA ITEM:

APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

F. FORMAL BOARD ACTION TAKEN ON AGENDA ITEMS

G. OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEW BOARD MEMBER

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS – GENERAL

I. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS – OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

J. ADJOURNMENT

