ELWOOD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING PUBLIC HEARING &

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

August 28, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER – 6:35 p.m.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Dr. Siddiqui moved and Mr. Scarola seconded a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of confidential discussions regarding the employment history of particular certificated persons at 6:35 p.m.

Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

Present at Executive Session were: James Tomeo, Deborah Weiss, Thomas Scarola, Dr. Sara Siddiqui, Dr. Gayle Steele, Dr. Amy Meyer, Lorraine Dunkel and Eileen Kelly Gorman.

2. Mrs. Weiss moved and Mr. Scarola seconded a motion to end Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

C. <u>RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION</u> – 7:35 p.m.

1. Dr. Siddiqui moved and Mr. Scarola seconded a motion to reconvene in to Open Session in the Elwood Middle School Library at 7:35 p.m.

Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

Present: James Tomeo President

Deborah Weiss Vice President

Thomas Scarola Member Dr. Sara Siddiqui Member

Absent: Walter Edwards Member

Staff: Dr. Gayle Steele Superintendent of Schools

Lorraine Dunkel Assistant Superintendent/Business
Dr. Amy Meyer Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum

Eileen Kelly Gorman Assistant Superintendent/Special Education

Mary Lou Marx District Clerk

Absent: None

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE—Board President

E. EX OFFICIO STUDENT BOARD MEMBER

1. WHEREAS, the Elwood Union Free School District Board of Education recognizes the importance of student involvement in school governance; and

WHEREAS, an ex-officio student board member can provide valuable student perspectives on school issues and policies; and

WHEREAS, Peter Bell, a student at Elwood-John H. Glenn High School, has demonstrated a strong interest in school leadership and governance, and has been elected by the Elwood-John

H. Glenn High School Student Body as the All Schools President/Ex-Officio Student Board Member;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Peter Bell is hereby appointed as an Ex-Officio Student Board Member of the Elwood School District Board of Education, with a term of one school year, starting August 28, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Peter Bell shall have the right to attend all regular board meetings, participate in discussions, and offer recommendations; HOWEVER, Peter Bell, shall not have the right to vote, nor attend Executive Sessions;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Peter Bell, will receive training on board procedures and resources to effectively fulfill their role;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution is hereby approved and implemented.

Mr. Scarola moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to approved Item E.1, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

The Board President administered a Swearing-In Ceremony to the Ex Officio Student Board Member, Peter Bell.

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

2. July 2, 2025 Special Meeting, July 10, 2025 Reorganizational and Regular Business Meeting and July 28, 2025 Special Meeting

Mrs. Weiss moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the meetings of July 2, 2025, July 10, 2025 and July 28, 2025, as presented to the Board at this meeting. Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

G. PUBLIC HEARING

- 1. Mrs. Weiss moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to open the Public Hearing at 7:42 p.m. in the Elwood Middle School Library.

 Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.
- 2. Residents Remarks Regarding the 2025-2026 Safety Plan

 The Board encourages all residents to attend its meetings, and this section of the agenda
 affords them the opportunity to speak. Persons wishing to speak should identify themselves,
 state whether they are a resident of the Elwood School District and any organization they
 represent at the meeting. Comments related to district business or any agenda item should be
 kept as brief as possible and may not exceed three minutes (Board Policy 1230). Questions or
 comments concerning matters which are not on the agenda will be taken under consideration
 and may be discontinued by the President. Public discussion of matters relating to staff,
 students, or others at which their reputations, privacy or right to due process could be in some
 way be violated, is prohibited.
- 3. Mr. Scarola moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to close the Public Hearing at 7:41 p.m. in the Elwood Middle School Library.

 Motion carried. Vote: 5-yes, 0-no.

H. EX OFFICIO STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT – Peter Bell

I. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Gayle Steele

J. RESIDENTS' REMARKS REGARDING THE AGENDA

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K. <u>DISCUSSION ITEM</u> - None

L. CONSENT AGENDA VOTE

1. Mr. Scarola moved and Dr. Siddiqui seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda (Items M.1, N.1-N.43, O.1-O.12, P.1-P.6), as presented to the Board at this meeting. Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

M. FINANCIAL MATTERS

- **1.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby acknowledges receipt for audit of the following reports:
 - a) Claims Auditor Summary for 2024-2025
 - b) Claims Auditor Report for July, 2025

N. ACTION ITEMS PERSONNEL

- BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Aimee Heller, from her position as a Teaching Assistant, effective September 1, 2025.
- **2.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Karen Alibrandi, from her position as a Teaching Assistant, effective July 31, 2025.
- 3. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Sarah Brezinski, from her position as a 0.4 FTE part-time Family & Consumer Science position and 0.6 FTE Permanent Substitute, effective July 5, 2025.
- **4.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Judith Tessitore for the purpose of retirement, from her position as a Paraprofessional, effective July 17, 2025.
- **5.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Aeriell Clem, from her position as a Computer Teaching Assistant, effective August 26, 2025..
- **6.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Renee Lembo, from her position as an Office Assistant, effective August 22, 2025.

- 7. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Jill Campbell, from her position as an Office Assistant, effective August 3, 2025 for the purpose of serving as the Senior Office Assistant position within Human Resources effective August 4, 2025.
- **8.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Timothy Eatman, from his position as a part-time Custodial Worker, effective August 25, 2025.
- 9. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the transfer of Cindy Miller, possessing an Early Childhood Education B-2, Childhood Education 1-6 and Students with Disabilities B-6 Certificates, to a three-year probationary term as an Elementary Teacher, in the Elementary Education tenure area, effective September 2, 2025 through September 1, 2028 at a salary of \$117,409 (MA 60, Step 12). In order to be eligible for appointment to tenure, said teacher must have at least three years of effective or highly effective APPR ratings pursuant to Education Law Section 3012-d during the three year period prior to the proposed effective date of tenure and may not receive a rating of ineffective during the final year of probation.
- BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Brittney Olcott, possessing Students with Disabilities B-2 and Early Childhood Education B-2 Certificates, to a four-year probationary term as a Special Education Teacher, in the Special Education tenure area, effective September 2, 2025 through September 1, 2029 at a salary of \$59,403 (BA+15, Step 1). In order to be eligible for appointment to tenure, said teacher must have at least three years of effective or highly effective APPR ratings pursuant to Education Law Section 3012-d during the four year period prior to the proposed effective date of tenure and may not receive a rating of ineffective during the final year of probation.
- 11. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Alyssa Drell, possessing a Mathematics 7-12 Certificate, to a four-year probationary term as a Mathematics Teacher, in the Mathematics tenure area, effective September 2, 2025 through September 1, 2029 at a salary of \$56,300 (BA, Step 1). In order to be eligible for appointment to tenure, said teacher must have at least three years of effective or highly effective APPR ratings pursuant to Education Law Section 3012-d during the four year period prior to the proposed effective date of tenure and may not receive a rating of ineffective during the final year of probation.
- 12. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby rescinds the July 28, 2025 appointment of the Meagan Malone appointment as an AIS Social Studies tutor for the 2025-2026 school year.
- BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Meagan Malone, who possesses a Social Studies 7-12 Certificate, to a 0.7 FTE part-time Social Studies teacher position, at an annual salary of \$47,177.20 (0.7 of \$67,396-MA Step 1), to serve at the pleasure of the Board, effective September 2, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

- 14. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Juliette Lassig, who possesses Speech and Language Certificates, to a 0.8 FTE part-time Speech Teacher position, at an annual salary of \$53,916.80 (0.8 of MA Step 1 \$67,396), to serve at the pleasure of the Board, effective September 2, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
- BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Kerry Klein, who possesses a Family and Consumer Sciences Certificate, to a 0.4 FTE part-time Family & Consumer Science position, at an annual salary of \$26,958.40 (0.4 of MA Step 1 \$67,396), to serve at the pleasure of the Board, effective September 2, 2025 through June 30, 2026; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby appoints Kerry Klein as a 0.6 FTE Permanent Substitute, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, effective September 2, 2025 through June 5, 2026, with compensation of \$90 per day worked.
- BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Deborah Hemphill, who possesses an Early Childhood B-2, and Childhood Education 1-6 Certificates, as a 0.1 FTE part-time Elementary Teacher assigned to the library, at an annual salary of \$6,739.60 (0.1 of MA Step 1), to serve at the pleasure of the Board, effective September 2, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby amends the appointment of Deborah Hemphill from a 1.0 FTE Teaching Assistant to a 0.9 FTE Teaching Assistant, at an annual salary of \$26,998.20 (0.9 of TA Step 7), effective September 2, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
- 17. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Hanna Cozzolino, who possesses a Music Certificate, to a 0.8 FTE part-time Music teaching position, at an annual salary of \$45,040 (0.8 of BA Step 1 \$56,300), to serve at the pleasure of the Board, effective September 2, 2025 through June 30, 2026.
- 18. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Matthew Still, who holds a Teaching Assistant Level 1 Certificate, to a four-year probationary term as a Teaching Assistant, commencing on September 2, 2025 and terminating on September 1, 2029 in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant with compensation of \$26,757, (Step 1).
- 19. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Traci Slater as a full-time Paraprofessional (6.5 hours/day), in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to serve a sixty (60) month probationary term commencing September 2, 2025 through September 1, 2030, with compensation of \$22,094.15 (Step 1).
- **20.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Mary Sanelli from a part-time Paraprofessional previously appointed on August 29, 2024, to a full-time Paraprofessional (6.5 hours/day), in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to continue to serve a sixty (60) month probationary term which commenced September 3, 2024, with compensation of \$22,896.90 (Step 2) for the 2025-2026 school year.

- 21. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Tara Browning as a Cook (10 month), in the non-competitive class of the civil service, to serve a twelve month probationary period, effective September 2, 2025, at a salary of \$32,200, for the 2025-2026 school year.
- 22. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education exercises its option to extend the Agreement dated December 7, 2017 with the Elwood Teachers' Alliance for the provision of the position of Lead Counselor at an annual stipend to perform counseling responsibilities outside the regular workday; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Carolyn Goudreau as Lead Counselor for the 2025-2026 school year at a stipend of \$15,000.
- 23. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Diana Gotzen-Berg as Lead Music Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year at a stipend of \$6,000.
- 24. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as a Permanent Substitute, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, at a rate of \$150.00 per day worked, effective September 2, 2025 through June 5, 2026:

Name	Initial School Assignment			
Caitlin Crowe	James H. Boyd Intermediate School			

25. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following mentors for the 2025-2026 school year:

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Mentor	Period	Compensation
Suzanne Reilly	2 Semesters	\$1,000
Kristine Cornwell	2 Semesters	\$1,000
Catherine Carbone	2 Semesters	\$1,000
Laura Ioviero	2 Semesters	\$1,000

- **26.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Gala Handler, who possesses Italian N-6/Pre-K-6 Ext, Italian 7-12, Spanish 7-12 Certificates, to a long-term leave replacement regular substitute position (for Employee #2871), as an Italian Teacher, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, effective September 2, 2025 through June 30, 2026, at a salary of \$90,000.
- 27. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Linda Montalbano as the AP Testing Coordinator for Elwood-John H. Glenn High School for the 2025-2026 school year, with a stipend of \$1,613.
- 28. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board of Education President and the Superintendent of Schools (if required) to sign and execute the Amendments to the Salary and Benefits Agreements for the following employees, as presented to the Board at this meeting, effective July 1, 2025:

 Carolina Addeo

Mary Lou Marx Kim Redmond

29. WHEREAS, the Board had determined that it was appropriate to appoint a part-time Interim Director of Human Resources and Interim High School Principal; and, WHEREAS, the Board, in accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby determines that the appointed salaries of Irene McLaughlin should be amended; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby amends the June 27, 2025 appointment of Irene McLaughlin as a part-time Interim Director of Human Resources from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 to July 1, 2025 through September 1, 2025; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to execute an employment agreement between the Elwood Board of Education and Irene McLaughlin for the position of full-time Interim High School Principal; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby appoints Irene McLaughlin as the Interim High School Principal, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, effective September 2, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

30. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves 2025 summer hours to the following personnel at Elwood-John H. Glenn High School for the purpose of assisting students in the college application and essay writing process, with compensation of \$66 per hour:

Christiana Dobra - up to 5 hours

Janine Ferrante - up to 5 hours

Carolyn Goudreau - up to 5 hours

Lisa Sallie - up to 5 hours

Jessica Kennedy - up to 5 hours

Cassandra Teevan - up to 5 hours

Garrett Chesnoff - up to 5 hours

31. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves up to an additional ten (10), 2025 summer hours for each of the following Computer Teaching Assistants, with compensation at their 2025-2026 hourly/daily rates of pay:

Aeriell Clem

Soose Triolo

32. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves additional 2025 summer hours for the following Special Education Staff, for the purpose of reviewing and revising/finalizing 2025-2026 IEP's, prepare prior written notices for parents, participating in CSE meetings and conducting educational testing, with compensation at their hourly/daily rate:

Name	Position	2025 Additional Summer Hours		
Jill Locascio	Special Education Teacher	up to 15 additional Hours		
Jessica Jantzen	Special Education Teacher	up to 10 additional Hours		
Bita Mir	School Psychologist	up to 15 additional Hours		
Catherine Carbone	Speech Therapist	up to 10 additional Hours		
Joanna Maricondo	Speech Therapist	up to 15 Hours		

Mary Trimble	General Education Teacher	up to 10 Hours
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33. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves an additional one (1) 2025 summer day for each of the following School Counselors, with compensation at their 2025-2026 daily rate of pay: Christiana Dobra Janine Ferrate Carolyn Goudreau Lisa Sallie

- 34. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves additional compensation to special education staff members for Nonviolent Crisis Prevention Intervention Training hours received outside the traditional school day, with compensation at their hourly rates of pay, not to exceed five (5) hours per employee, as per their collective bargaining unit agreement for the 2025-2026 school year.
- **35.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following overage for the 2025-2026 school year, effective September 2, 2025:

Name	School	Additional	Total
Megan DeSimone	EMS	0.2 Special Education	1.2 FTE

- 36. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the extension of hours for Jennifer Chillemi-Junge, from a classroom paraprofessional at 5.25 hours per day, to a 1:1 paraprofessional (School Monitor) with an increase to 6.5 hours per day, with compensation at her 2025-2026 hourly rate, effective September 2, 2025.
- 37. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Elwood Union Free School District (hereinafter "Board") herewith authorizes the Board President and Superintendent of Schools to execute a Settlement Agreement and General Release dated July 24, 2025 between the Board, Superintendent of Schools and a certain member of the instructional staff discussed during Executive Session; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board herewith accepts the terms and conditions set forth in such Settlement Agreement and General Release, which it has previously reviewed during Executive Session.
- 38. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as Permanent Substitutes, to serve at the pleasure of the Board, at a rate of \$150.00 per day worked, effective September 2, 2025 through June 5, 2026:

Name	Initial School Assignment
Donna Dorsam	Elwood Middle School
Danielle Pineyro	Elwood Middle School
Lori Marinello	Elwood Middle School
Peter Flanigan	Elwood Middle School

39. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints the following as athletic supervisors, for the 2025-2026 school year, with compensation at \$116/Single and \$146/Double, as per the current ETA Contract:

Christopher Lafferty
Robert Zimmers

40. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby amends the following previously approved coach appointments, for the 2025-2026 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting:

Coaching Appointment	Building		Previous Appointment Date	Resignation	111111111111111111111111111111111111111	Date	Stipend
Cross Country Coach	EMS	Megan DeSimone	July 10, 2025	August 1, 2025		August 28, 2025	
JV Girls Volleyball Coach	JGHS	Carly Haegele	July 10, 2025	August 15, 2025	Erika Gross	August 28, 2025	\$6,025

- 41. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Shannon Ofsharick as the Elwood Middle School Fall Cheerleading Coach for the 2025-2026 school year, with compensation of \$2,325 Step 1.
- **42.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Frank Benavides as a volunteer Girls Varsity/JV Tennis coach for the 2025-2026 school year.
- 43. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Substitute Teachers, Teaching Assistants, Paraprofessionals, Food Service Workers, Clerical Workers and Custodians, for the 2025-2026 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

O. <u>ACTION ITEMS</u> - BUSINESS

- 1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute an Agreement with American Medical Response of New York, LLC (aka AMR) and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing standby emergency medical services, effective September 5, 2025, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- 2. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute an Agreement with Huntington Hospital c/o Northwell Health, Inc. and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing medical related services to the District, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- 3. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute an Agreement with Suffolk Y JCC and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing pre-kindergarten program services to the District, effective September 1, 2025 through June 30,

- 2026, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- 4. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute an Agreement with Lakretz Creative Support Services, Inc. and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing staff development services, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- 5. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board of Education President to sign and execute an Agreement with the Little Flower Union Free School District, whereby Little Flower UFSD will provide special education services for student(s) who reside within the boundaries of the Elwood UFSD, at the tuition rate set by the State Education Department, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- 6. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Consultant Service Contract with Donna McPartlan and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing CPR and first aid training services to the District, for the 2025-2026 school year, and said Contract will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- 7. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Consultant Service Contract with Kayle Nunes and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing Assistant Coach to Kickline services to the District, for the 2025-2026 school year, and said Contract will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- 8. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Consultant Service Contract with Curriculum Associates and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing professional development services to the District, effective July 1, 2025, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- 9. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute an Agreement with the Brookhaven Science Associates, LLC and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing laboratory non-proprietary user facility services to the District, effective September, 2025, and said Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- 10. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to sign and execute the Second Amendment of Memorandum of Agreement between the County of Suffolk-Traffic and Parking Violations Agency and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for the second extension period as outlined in the second amendment effective March 31, 2025 and

presented to the Board at this meeting, and said Memorandum of Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

- 11. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education President is hereby authorized to sign and execute a Leasehold Space Agreement with Board of Cooperative Educational Services and the District, setting forth the terms and conditions for providing facilities space available to house BOCES programs, effective September 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, and said Leasehold Space Agreement will be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.
- BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby declares the following items as surplus and obsolete as they are beyond repair or outdated and allow for their appropriate removal:

 (2) Laminating machines (Boyd)

P. ACTION ITEMS – OTHER

- 1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and after having conducted a public hearing and having given the community an opportunity to be heard, the Board of Education hereby adopts the District-Wide Safety Plan for the 2025-2026 school year.
- **2.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby adopts the Board of Education Goals for the 2025-2026 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting.
- **3.** BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the Board Liaisons for the Board of Education Committees, for the 2025-2026 school year, as presented to the Board at this meeting:

Facilities: Mr. Tomeo & Mr. Edwards Curriculum: Mr. Scarola & Mrs. Weiss Technology: Mrs. Weiss & Mr. Scarola Safety: Mr. Tomeo & Mr. Edwards

Health & Nutrition: Mr. Scarola & Dr. Siddiqui

Legislative: Mr. Tomeo & Mr. Edwards Audit: Mrs. Weiss & Dr. Siddiqui

- **4.** BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the attendance of the Board Members, Mrs. Weiss and Dr. Siddiqui, and the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Steele, at the annual NYSSBA Convention to be held October 23-25, 2025 in New York, New York.
- 5. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the overnight field trip for the Elwood/John H. Glenn High School Girls Cross Country Team to the Queensbury, New York Tournament, for the period September 12-13, 2025.
- **6.** BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Committee and Subcommittee on Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 1/27/25, 1/28/25, 2/4/25, 2/11/25, 2/12/25, 2/14/25, 2/27/25, 3/6/25, 3/14/25, 3/18/25, 3/21/25, 3/24/25, 3/26/25, 3/27/25, 4/9/25, 4/10/25, 4/11/25, 4/24/25, 4/25/25, 4/28/25, 4/29/25, 5/1/25, 5/2/25, 5/6/25, 5/7/25,

5/9/25, 5/12/25, 5/15/25, 5/16/25, 5/19/25, 5/21/25, 5/22/25, 5/27/25, 5/28/25, 5/29/25, 5/30/25, 6/2/25, 6/3/25, 6/4/25, 6/5/25, 6/11/25, 6/16/25, 6/18/25, 6/20/25, 6/23/25, 6/24/25, 6/25/25, 6/26/25, 7/24/25, 8/11/25, 8/13/25 and 8/14/25, and the Committee on Preschool Special Education's recommendations for meetings held on 3/12/25, 5/28/25, 6/11/25, 6/18/25, 6/20/25, 7/3/25, 7/7/25 and 8/1/25 for students' classifications/placements and/or discontinuance of services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes and appropriates the use of District funds necessary to implement the special education programs and services consistent with said recommendations.

Q. POLICIES

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Board Policy Sub-Committee, the Board of Education hereby approves the second reading and adoption of the following policy, as presented to the Board at this meeting: Policy 8113 Extreme Heat Condition Days

Dr. Siddiqui moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to approved Item Q.1, as presented to the Board at this meeting.

Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

R. <u>ITEMS NOT LISTED ON AGENDA</u> - None

S. COMMUNICATIONS - None

T. RESIDENTS' REMARKS REGARDING MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE DISTRICT

The Board encourages all residents to attend its meetings, and this section of the agenda affords them the opportunity to speak. Persons wishing to speak should identify themselves, state whether they are a resident of the Elwood School District and any organization they represent at the meeting. Comments related to district business or any agenda item should be kept as brief as possible and may not exceed three minutes (Board Policy 1230). Questions or comments concerning matters which are not on the agenda will be taken under consideration and may be discontinued by the President. Public discussion of matters relating to staff, students, or others at which their reputations, privacy or right to due process could be in some way be violated, is prohibited.

U. ADJOURNMENT – 8:00 p.m.

Dr. Siddiqui moved and Mrs. Weiss seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried. Vote: 4-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Marx District Clerk