

**FINAL SUMMARY MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING – JANUARY 6, 2011
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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Following are Final Summary Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education held on Thursday, January 6, 2011. Official, more detailed minutes, are maintained in the Office of the Board Secretary.

The Special Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was opened at 7:08 p.m. in the Memorial High School Teachers' Faculty Room.

Present were: Michael Bufis, Keith Cannizzo, Louise Gerardi, Claire Kalinowski, Lori Sproviero, Sandra Balistreri, Arlene Rudmann, and Jennifer Pellegrine. Douglas DeMatteo arrived and was seated at 8:07 p.m. Also present was Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools and Andrew Brown, Esq., Board Attorney.

The Statement of Compliance is hereby incorporated. "There will be a Special Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education on Thursday, January 6, 2011, at 7 P.M. in the Memorial High School Media Center. Agenda: 1. Meeting with newly appointed Board Attorney, Schwartz Simon Edelstein Celso, Esqs.; 2) Labor negotiations; and 3) any and all other matters pertaining to the board. Action may be taken".

The meeting was opened to the public at 7:10 p.m. and closed to the public at 7:10 p.m. No one addressed the board. The board entered into closed session at 9:15 p.m. and returned from closed session at 8:06 p.m. and returned at 9:02 p.m.

1. PERSONNEL

Motion of Mr. Bufis, Seconded by Mr. Cannizzo, approving personnel action resolutions PA1 through PJ1. D1 was amended to include an additional staff member.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mr. DeMatteo was absent for the vote.

A. EMPLOYMENT

1. Mr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the *termination* of **Mr. Robert Sabino**, 16th Avenue School Custodian, effective December 23, 2010.

A. RESIGNATION

1. Mr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education accept the *resignation* of **Mr. Mark Mulvaney**, School Security Officer (SSO) for Gantner Avenue School, effective January 7, 2011.

B. RETIREMENT

N/A

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D. COACHES/STIPEND

1. Mr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the extra-curricular activity, student activity position for the 2010/2011 school year, as listed below:

Name	Position	Salary	Location	Start Date	End Date
Tanya Torres	CARE Program	\$12.50/Hourly	District Wide	January 7, 2011	June 30, 2011
Marlene DiStefano	CARE Program	\$12.50/Hourly	District Wide	January 7, 2011	June 30, 2011
Janice Siedel	CARE Program	\$12.50/Hourly	District Wide	January 7, 2011	June 30, 2011
Doreen Voight	CARE Program	\$12.50/Hourly	District Wide	January 7, 2011	June 30, 2011
Patricia Arimborgo	CARE Program	\$12.50/Hourly	District Wide	January 7, 2011	June 30, 2011
Kimberly Del Console	CARE Program	\$12.50 Hopurly	District Wide	January 7, 2011	June 30, 2011

Note: These appointments are positions associated with the CARE program and separate from the regular workday schedule. Hours acquired from this program are not a continuation of hours from the regularly scheduled workday.

E. APPOINTMENT of AIDES

N/A

F. SUBSTITUTES

1. Mr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***appointment(s)*** as listed below:

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS: As attached

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.

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G. TRANSFER

N/A

H. MOVEMENT ON GUIDE/SALARY ADJUSTMENT

1. Mr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the ***increase in the hourly rate*** for classroom aides and special education one-to-one aides from \$12.50 to \$13.50, effective January 1, 2011.

I. VOLUNTEER

N/A

J. FMLA/MATERNITY LEAVE/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1. Mr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve ***Maternity/Disability Leave*** for ***Ms. Jennifer Surniak-Gruenler***, Learning Disability Teacher-Caseworker, from December 13, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

K. WORKSHOP/TRAINING

N/A

L. STUDENT TEACHING OBSERVATION/PRACTICUM

N/A

M. PARAPROFESSIONALS

N/A

N. EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS

N/A

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2. PUPILS

STUDENTS

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Sproviero, approving pupil action resolution S1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mr. DeMatteo was absent for the vote.

- S1. Mr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the request for *Home Instruction* for student #106735 at student's home for two hours per day, four days (Monday – Thursday) per week, from Mr. David Saper, Gilbert Avenue School Principal, for the 2010-2011 school year.

3. GENERAL

Motion of Mr. Bufis, Seconded by Mrs. Sproviero, approving general action resolution G1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mr. DeMatteo was absent for the vote.

- G1. Mr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the Board of Education confirm/approve the *program* request from Mr. David Warner, High School Principal, for the 2010-2011 school year as listed below:

Project Hoopz
Gilbert Avenue School – January 26, 2011
Gantner Avenue School – January 27, 2011
(Gilbert Avenue Gym)
(Gantner Avenue Gym)
(Mr. Paul DePinto)

4. FINANCE

BG. Business General

BG1. Use of Facilities – Approvals – N/A

BG2. Use of Facilities – Approvals – Outside Organizations

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Sproviero, approving business general action resolutions BG2 and BG3. Item BG2 was amended to indicate that on February 20th the high school gym would be unavailable.

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Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mr. DeMatteo was absent from the meeting.

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

BG3. Facility Project Authorization

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Elmwood Park Board of Education does hereby approve the School Facility Project: Heat, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC) Upgrade at Sixteenth Avenue Elementary School, as attached.

Note: Project is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

SUBSTITUTES

Frank Musso
354 Elm Street
Elmwood Park, NJ 07407

1. PERSONNEL

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Sproviero, approving Addendum 1 personnel action resolution PA2.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mr. DeMatteo was absent for the vote.

PA2. Mr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the appointment of **Radcliffe Brown**, 82, Ackerman Street, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601, as Custodian at 16th avenue school, at a salary of \$36,151, Step 2, prorated for the 2010/2011 school year, effective January 10, 2011, as attached, pending results of drug screening and fingerprint check.

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving Addendum 1 personnel action resolution N1.

PN1. Employment Contract

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving addendum 1 personnel action resolution N1.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mr. DeMatteo was absent for the vote.

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N1. Mr. Richard D. Tomko, Superintendent of Schools, recommends that the board of education confirm/approve the employment contract for William P. Moffitt, Board Secretary/business Administrator, at a salary of \$140,000 for the 2010/2011 school year, as attached.

Motion of Mrs. Sproviero, Seconded by Mrs. Gerardi, approving addendum 1 business general resolution BG4.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mr. DeMatteo was absent for the vote.

BE IT RESOLVED: that the board of education does hereby approve the sum of \$275, representing total ate receipt from the December 17m, 2010, Elmwood Park vs. Garfield High School Boys Basketball Team Game, be donated to Tomorrow's Children Fund in the name of Carl Walker, former Elmwood Park High School student.

Motion of Mr. Cannizzo, Seconded by Mr. Bufis, to enter into closed session.

Vote: Approved unanimously by roll call vote of the members present. Mr. DeMatteo was absent for the vote.

WHEREAS: the Elmwood Park Board of Education must discuss subjects concerning negotiations and legal update; and

WHEREAS: said subject is not appropriate to be discussed in a public meeting; and

WHEREAS: said subject is within the exemptions permitted to be discussed in private session pursuant to P. L. 1975, Chapter 231, it is therefore

RESOLVED: that the said subject shall be discussed in private session by this board and administrative staff, and information pertaining thereto will be made available to the public as soon thereafter as possible once the reasons for nondisclosure no longer exist.

After discussion, by motion of Mrs. Sproviero, which was seconded by Mr. Bufis, the board returned from closed session to the Special Meeting Agenda at 9:02 p.m.

By motion of Mr. Bufis, which was seconded by Mrs. Sproviero, the meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

I hereby certify these final summary minutes of the meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education in session on Thursday, January 6, 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