

FINAL MINUTES
-SPECIAL MEETING-
ELMWOOD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
MARCH 14, 2019

The Special Meeting of the Elmwood Park Board of Education was held on Thursday, March 14, 2019 and began at 6:00 p.m. in the High School/Middle School Media Center.

Present were: Mrs. Dorin Aspras, Mr. George Luke, Mr. James Monaco, Mr. Douglas DeMatteo, Ms. Karen Pena and Mrs. Louise Gerardi. Also present were Mr. Anthony Iachetti, Superintendent of Schools, and Mr. John DiPaola, Business Administrator / Board Secretary.

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 6:07 p.m. the meeting was opened for public comments on the one agenda item:

Mr. Freitag - 35 Hillman Drive

- Questioned the following items contained in the resolution F-1
- Capital Projects
- Travel Expense Maximum
- Enrollment
- Staffing
- Taxes
- Amount budgeted for loan payment
- Special Ed
- Charter School

The Administration answered Mr. Freitag’s questions.

Agenda Item was voted on.

The meeting was also opened to the public for comments-general. No one from the public spoke, so the session was closed.

At 6:13 p.m. a Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Monaco and Seconded by Mr. Luke and unanimously approved by voice vote of the members present.

I hereby certify these final summary minutes of the meeting of the ELmwood Park Board of Education in session on March 14, 2019 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 black ink, appearing to read "John DiPaola", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John DiPaola
Business Administrator/Board Secretary



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

AGENDA

SPECIAL MEETING

March 14, 2019

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. PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

C. OPEN SESSION: REVIEW & ACTION OF SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS – GENERAL

E. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS – OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

F. CLOSED SESSION – AS MAY BE REQUIRED

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 _____ will disclose to the public the subject matter listed when circumstances dictate the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

G. ADJOURNMENT

BUSINESS

F. Financial

F1. ADOPTION OF 2019-2020 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED: that, upon the recommendation of the superintendent and business administrator, the Elmwood Park Board of Education hereby adopts the FY 2019-2020 Preliminary Budget for submission to the County Office as follows:

CURRENT GENERAL EXPENSE	\$44,030,524
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$ 870,918
TRANSFER TO CHARTER SCHOOLS	\$ 520,850
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$45,422,292
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	\$ 1,488,490
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$ <u>2,647,300</u>
TOTAL DISTRICT BUDGET	\$49,558,082
GENERAL FUND TAX LEVY	\$34,446,269
DEBT SERVICE TAX LEVY	\$ 2,391,430

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

This budget withdraws \$700,000 from the district's Capital Reserve Account to support Capital Projects;

AND

Whereas pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3 the Board of Education had previously established a maximum amount for travel in the pre-budget year of 2018-19 to be \$25,000 and that the board has expended \$6,539 of the maximum amount for the pre-budget year to date, that the Board of Education hereby establishes the maximum travel

expenditure amount for the 2019-20 school year to be \$25,000.

AND

That this FY 2019-2020 preliminary budget may be revised prior to final adoption on April 30, 2019, to reflect any changes required by the board of education or Interim Executive Bergen County Superintendent of Schools.

Motion of: Mr. Monaco

Seconded by: Mr. Luke

Consent Vote on items: F-1

	DA	KC	DD	JG	JM	KP	DZ	GL	LG
AYE	X		X		X	X		X	X
NAY									
ABSENT		X		X			X		
ABSTAINED									
RECUSED									

Certified to be true copies of resolutions adopted by the Elmwood Park Board of Education at its Special meeting held on March 14, 2019.



John DiPaola, Business Administrator/Board Secretary