

APPROVED MINUTES of the Elmont Board of Education

BUDGET CERTIFICATION MEETING
MAY 18, 2021

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BOARD OF EDUCATION

CERTIFICATION MEETING

Minutes of the Certification Meeting of the Board of Education of the Elmont Union Free School District, Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, New York, held at the Elmont Road School on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 (remotely via Zoom).

The purpose of the meeting was to certify the vote on the Elmont Union Free School District Budget, the Sewanhaka Central High School District Budget, Sewanhaka Central High School Capital Reserve and the Elmont Public Library Budget. The Board also certified the vote on the School Board Candidates and Library Board Candidate. Voting was held at all seven election districts on Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael A. Jaime, President
Dr. Tameka Battle-Burkett, Vice President
Dr. Michael Cantara
Tiffany Capers
Patrick O. Emeagwali
Anthony Maffea
Sheldon Meikle

ROLL CALL

ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT:

Kenneth Rosner	Superintendent of Schools
Colum P. Nugent	School Attorney
Diana Delahanty	District Clerk

PUBLIC SESSION:

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Board President, Michael Jaime called the meeting to order at 9:43 PM.

Mr. Jaime welcomed everyone to the meeting and led the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Jaime turned the meeting over to Ms. Delahanty for the results of the election.

RESULTS OF THE ELECTION

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The election was conducted between the hours of 6 AM and 9 PM. I can attest to the fact that the election was conducted in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of New York. Several District Administrators and I visited every polling location today. I verified the legal papers to the machine counts.

Ms. Delahanty then presented the results of the vote.

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The Number of Names on the Poll List – 858

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Total Number of Absentee Voters – 120

Total Number of Voters – 978

PROPOSTION #1- ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUDGET 2021-2022

PROPOSITION #1

Total Number of Votes in **FAVOR** of Proposition #1- 650
(Includes 120 Absentee Ballots)

Total Number of Votes **AGAINST** Proposition #1- 223
(Includes 120 Absentee Ballots)

We declare Proposition #1 **passed**.

The Elmont Budget **passed** by 427 votes.

PROPOSTION #2- SEWANHAKA CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL BUDGET 2021-2022

PROPOSITION #2

Total Number of Votes in **FAVOR** of Proposition #2- 625
(Includes 120 Absentee Ballots)

Total Number of Votes **AGAINST** Proposition #2- 222
(Includes 120 Absentee Ballots)

That budget leaves Elmont with a substantial plurality but is subject to the vote in three other component districts.

(In Elmont, the Sewanhaka Central High School Budget **passed** by 403 votes. Subject to the passing of the budget in the component districts.)

PROPOSTION #3- SEWANHAKA CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL CAPITAL RESERVE

PROPOSITION #3

Total Number of Votes in **FAVOR** of Proposition #3- 672
(Includes 120 Absentee Ballots)

Total Number of Votes **AGAINST** Proposition #3- 202
(Includes 120 Absentee Ballots)

That Capital Reserve leaves Elmont with a substantial plurality but is subject to the vote in three other component districts.

(In Elmont, the Sewanhaka Central High School Capital Reserve Proposition **passed** by 470 votes. Subject to the passing of the budget in the component districts.)

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PROPOSTION #4- ELMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY BUDGET 2021-2022

PROPOSITION #4

Total Number of Votes in FAVOR of Proposition #4- 709
(Includes 120 Absentee Ballots)

Total Number of Votes AGAINST Proposition #4- 156
(Includes 120 Absentee Ballots)

We declare Proposition #4 passed.

The Elmont Public Library Budget passed by 553 votes.

SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES

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CANDIDATE
RESULTS

For the seat currently held by Patrick O. Emeagwali:

Ms. Nancy Garlick ran unopposed.

Ms. Garlic received 710 votes. (Includes 120 Absentee Ballots)

Nancy Garlick was declared elected.

For the seat currently held by Sheldon Meikle:

Ms. Sharon Earley-Davis received 525 votes. (Includes 120 Absentee Ballots)

Mr. Sheldon Meikle received 297 votes (Includes 120 Absentee Ballots)

Sharon Earley-Davis was declared elected.

LIBRARY BOARD CANDIDATE

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RESULTS

For the seat currently held by Mimi Pierre Johnson:

Ms. Pierre Johnson ran unopposed.

Ms. Pierre Johnson received 690 votes.

Mimi Pierre Johnson was declared elected.

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CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS

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On a motion by Mr. Maffea, seconded by Dr. Battle-Burkett, the Board moved to accept and certify the results of the election held today, May 18, 2021, in the Elmont Union Free School District.

Vote on certifying the results of the election:

Yes -7 No- 0 Abstain- 0
Motion Carried Unanimously

Ms. Delahanty tuned the meeting over to Mr. Jaime.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

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There is a notable absence this evening. The School Attorney is under the weather this evening, otherwise he would have been the one reading the portion that Ms. Delahanty read. Thank you for stepping in for him.

Mr. Jaime thanked Mr. Emeagwali for his countless number of years to not only the Board and Administration, but all of the scholars and taxpayers of the community. We truly appreciate your input and guidance over the years. He will definitely be missed on the Board in July. He wished Mr. Emeagwali and his wife well, as they have a lot of time back in their lives now.

At this time, I would like to thank Mr. Meikle for his tenure on the Board and wished him well on whatever he plans to do in his next endeavors.

Mr. Jaime stated that the budget would not pass if not for Mr. Rosner and his amazing team that helped craft this budget. By amazing team, I mean everyone in the central office, the building leadership and everyone else that was instrumental in crafting this budget. Thank you. Mr. Rosner, for your countless hours presenting this budget across the District to various groups in the community.

Mr. Jaime acknowledged the work the PTA has done to ensure that the budget had passed as well. He also thanked Interschool for hosting Meet the Candidates Night.

Last, but not least, he thanked all of the personnel that live in the district that came out today to support the budget.

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Mr. Rosner echoed Mr. Jaime's sentiments. Congratulations to Ms. Earley-Davis and Ms. Garlick on their win. To Mr. Meikle and Mr. Emeagwali, I wish you both well. Thank you so much for your support over the past year, which was a very challenging year. It has been nice to get to know you and work with you. Thank you very much for your service on the Board. Ms. Earley-Davis and Ms. Garlick congratulations again.

Mr. Rosner thanked Mr. Jaime and the Board for supporting this budget. Mr. Rosner thanked the PTA for their support all year long. They came through for us again. For the Elmont Community... this is a win for the Elmont Community.

Thank you to the boys and girls. We got your back. We are here for you.

Building administration, thank you for the incredible job you did today. It was nice to get out and see all the activities.

The team sitting next to me is second to none. I know you keep calling this the *Dream Team*, but it truly is a dream team. To the Elmont Community, thank you for trusting us with your children. Thank you for believing in us. We made sure we were fiscally responsible to this community and we will continue to do so as we push ahead through this pandemic and look toward the brighter days ahead. Thank you to all of you. It's a wonderful town we live in and we work in and I could not be prouder of the work we have done.

We have a very skilled and talented business official who works in Elmont and who really was a big part in making sure that this budget was crafted in a way that placed children first but was fiscally responsible to the community.... Mr. Tom Galante. Thank you for your support, as this was my first budget cycle.

Mr. Rosner thanked Mr. Nugent for his expertise. Mr. Rosner thanked Mr. Harper for his input.

This budget is a win for the Elmont Community.

Mr. Jaime thanked Mr. Galante on behalf of the Board of Education for his continued thoroughness in helping us craft a budget every single year. His historical fiscal knowledge of the District is extremely helpful and his way with numbers puts you at ease when he is able to call out a number whenever he is asked.

Finally, Mr. Jaime congratulated Ms. Garlick and Ms. Earley-Davis stating he was looking forward to having them serve with the Board. Be prepared to roll up your sleeves. There is a lot of work we have to get done to bring all of our students back in September.

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ADJOURNMENT

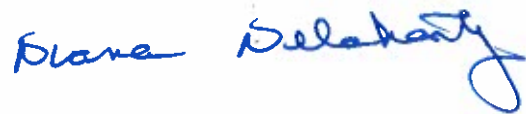
ADJOURNMENT

Thank you for taking the time out to join us this evening.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned the meeting at 9:55 PM on a motion by Mr. Maffea, seconded by Dr. Battle-Burkett.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Submitted by,



June 8, 2021
Date Approved

Diana Delahanty
District Clerk