

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
Ellicottville Central School**

**Regular Meeting
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**Sht. No. 1856
April 4, 2017**

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Members Present: Carl Calarco, Connie Hellwig, Nicole Klein, William Murphy, Roger Spell, Robert Van Wicklin, Leonard Zlockie

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Mark Ward, Melissa Sawicki, Connie Poulin, Robert Miller

Staff Absent: Aimee Kilby

Others Present: Steve Crowley (CA BOCES Board Member), Elizabeth Riggs (Eville Times)

Call to order of meeting

President Calarco called the regular meeting of April 4, 2017 of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. The pledge to the flag of the United States was recited.

Roll Call

All Present

Changes, Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

Additions:

- 8a.** BOCES Administrative Budget Vote & Board Member Election (April 18, 2017).
15b. \$1,125.00
16b. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Randy Will to the substitute cleaner list at a rate of \$9.70 per hour. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.
16c. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Mary Dusza to the substitute teacher list (non-certified) at a rate of \$68.00 per day. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

Public Comment

None

Approve Agenda

Moved by Spell, seconded by Klein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the agenda of the April 4, 2017 Board of Education Meeting with additions.

**Yes – 7
No – 0
Carried**

Presentations & Reports:

None

Communications, Commendations:

None

Informational Items:

- 8a.** BOCES Administrative Budget Vote & Board Member Election (April 18, 2017).
Steve Crowley – CA BOCES Board Member introduced himself to the Ellicottville Central Board Members. He stated that one of the goals of the CA BOCES Board Members is to go to the component districts they represent and attend a few board meetings during the year. He told the board members and administration if they have any concerns or questions to please contact him and he would relay any concerns to Lynda Quick, District Superintendent. He stated that the BOCES Annual Meeting will be held tomorrow (Tuesday, April 5th) at the Olean BOCES Center and dinner will be provided. He added that many great things are happening at BOCES regarding the students and their programs. He stated that he enjoys being on the Board and it is very rewarding. Superintendent Ward stated that in his time there has never been a BOCES Board Member that came to visit a local school district board meeting and thanked Mr. Crowley for attending the meeting.

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Superintendent's Report (Mark J. Ward):

1. Continuing to work on Smart Schools Grant. Have already spent \$200,000 on touch screens and have about \$143,000 left. In the process of putting in a surveillance system in the school. Had a meeting today to place cameras in hallways and video conferencing system in offices. Bob Miller has done quite a bit of work with the company (UNS Services) out of Tonawanda (they have an office in Olean). There are two techs for the company that live in the Franklinville area.
2. New program Continuing Leader in Teacher Education. - Tracking new teachers who hold a professional certificate. They have to log 100 hours of professional development every five years.
3. April 20th – Superintendent's Association (Catt/Allegany Counties) will hold a "Call to Leadership" panel discussion and dinner. Superintendents in 22 districts will each recommend a few people who may have the desire to go down the leadership road.
4. Plus One Pathways – New avenues of obtaining a diploma.
5. Budget – later in the meeting the Board will be asked to approve the Budget to be put before voters on May 16, 2017. The Board and administration have worked for months creating a sound budget. The Board will ask voters to go above the tax cap. Superintendent Ward stated that the district does not want to use any more reserves. The vote will require the Super Majority vote of 60% to go over the cap.
6. Key Highlights of the 2017/2018 Budget –
 - More computers (around 70)
 - Curriculum (money put in budget – new superintendent can decide which direction to go)
 - New college courses through Syracuse University (Spanish and Geology)
 - 2 new lease buses (separate proposition) will bring total to 11. Next year will have to lease 2 small and 2 large.
 - Reduce BOCES Tech Staff member (replaced with Joe Schultz). Joe is doing an excellent job.
 - Dropping Distance Learning – will save the district around \$40,000
 - Buildings and Grounds will build new concrete steps (lower elementary entrance)
-Remodeling of 3 classrooms in the elementary will free up space to rent 3 additional rooms to Big Picture Program. They will have their own principal and secretary next year and use a separate entrance.
 - Science Kits – will be joining BOCES
 - Looking into new phone system this summer (IPA for 3 years). Internet based phone system.
 - If anyone has questions about the budget or STAR Program – newsletters (especially April) have valuable articles in them.

Principals Reports:

Elementary Principal/CSE-CPSE Chairperson (Connie Poulin):

No Report

MS/HS Principal (Robert Miller):

1. The original senior trip has been cancelled due to insufficient interest. Currently exploring "day options." ...maybe a dinner cruise on the Niagara River.
2. Jenna Aldrich is the recipient of this Year's Big 30 Scholarship for \$500.00

Consent Items:

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Hellwig, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval to adopt the following Consent Agenda items:

- a. That the board approve the minutes of the meeting of March 28, 2017

**Yes – 7
No – 0
Carried**

Committee Reports:

None

Discussion Items: Both items have already been covered (See – Informational Items & Superintendent's Report)

1. Steve Crowley - C/A BOCES Board Member
2. 2017/2018 Budget

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Old Business:

Moved by Spell, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the 2017/2018 school year calendar.

**Yes – 7
No – 0
Carried**

New Business:

Moved by Van Wicklin, seconded by Klein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval to approve the following propositions to be put before District Voters on Tuesday, May 16, 2017:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 - Basic Budget

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit: Resolved: That the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District in the County of Cattaraugus, State of New York, BE AND IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO EXPEND THE SUM OF \$12,319,921 for the 2017-2018 school year budget. The Basic Budget will provide funds for all of the educationally related services and the maintenance of our school building.

PROPOSITION NO. 2 - School Bus Lease

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit: Resolved: This proposition will authorize the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District in the County of Cattaraugus, State of New York, to levy an additional (not to exceed) \$31,880 to lease 2 IC CE (66 passenger) 2018 International School Buses for each of the next five years (five annual payments) commencing with the 2017/2018 school year.

**Yes – 7
No – 0
Carried**

Moved by Spell, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval to accept a bid of \$1,125 from Auctions International for the sale of a 2005 Chrysler Town & Country van with 260,000 miles.

**Yes – 7
No – 0
Carried**

Personnel

Moved by Van Wicklin, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Shirley Ditcher, Eileen Hostuttler and Sandra Reed as election inspectors, at a rate of \$125, for the May 16, 2017 Budget Vote and Board Member Election.

**Yes – 7
No – 0
Carried**

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Van Wicklin, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Randy Will to the substitute cleaner list at a rate of \$9.70 per hour. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

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Policies & Regulations:
None

Executive Session

Moved by Spell, seconded by Zlockie, to enter into executive session at 7:57 pm to discuss a personnel matter.

**Yes - 7
No - 0
Carried**

Moved by Spell, seconded by Murphy, to come out of executive session at 8:26 p.m. and return to the regular meeting of April 4, 2017.

**Yes - 7
No - 0
Carried**

Adjournment of Meeting

Moved by Hellwig, seconded by Zlockie, to adjourn the regular meeting of April 4, 2017 at 8:27 pm.

**Yes - 7
No - 0
Carried**

District Clerk

Deputy District Clerk