

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Ellicottville Central School**

**Regular Meeting  
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**Sht. No. 1820  
August 25, 2015**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Carl Calarco, Connie Hellwig, Nicole Klein, William Murphy, Roger Spell, James Wiley, Leonard Zlockie

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Mark Ward, Melissa Sawicki, Aimee Kilby, Robert Miller

**Staff Absent:** Connie Poulin

**Others Present:** Jann Wiswall (Eville Times), John Thomas (The Villager)

**Call to order of meeting**

President Calarco called the regular meeting of August 25, 2015 of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 7:40 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 to the Agenda**

**8a.** APPR Negotiations

**13e.** Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval for ECS students to participate in a Prevention Needs Assessment through Healthy Cattaraugus County: A Drug Free Coalition, in September/October 2015 and then every two years after through 2019.

**13f.** Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval for Ellicottville Central School to participate in The Early Identification and Recognition Stress and Wellness Program through the Cattaraugus County Department of Community Services.

**13g.** Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the NYSPHSAA New Athletic Placement Process.

**14m.** Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve an MOA between the Ellicottville Central School District and the Ellicottville Central School Teachers Association regarding a teacher's (Ann Chamberlain) employment and benefits for the 2015/2016 school year.

**Statements and questions from the audience (Public Comment)**

None

**Approve Agenda**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Hellwig, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve the agenda for the August 25, 2015 Board of Education meeting with additions (as noted above).

**Yes – 7**

**No – 0**

**Carried**

**Presentations & Reports**

None

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**Communications, Commendations**

- a. Capital Project Update – The Board will take a tour of the project area at the end of the meeting. Superintendent Ward stated that things are moving full steam ahead. Some of the workers are working over the weekends. The music rooms will be ready for opening day and some of the other areas will be ready a bit later.
- b. Thank you cards from Hunter Steffenhagen and Molly Woodarek

**Informational Items**

- a. APPR Negotiations – This will be an ongoing process. The district may have to ask for an extension, since the new process has to be enacted by November and the new regulations have not even come out yet. Superintendent Ward stated that it would not be fair to the teachers to hastily enact something.

**Superintendent's Report**

- a. 18 new people starting the school year – the most since the late 1970's. Superintendent Ward stated that this number includes new teachers, teacher aides, a teacher assistant, long term substitutes, and Americorp workers.
- b. A teacher has asked to go on ½ time. There is a resolution later in the meeting.
- c. Advertised maintenance positions - .5 cleaner, .5 maintenance worker and 1.0 cleaner
- d. Superintendent's Days – September 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> – a working lunch will be provided on Tuesday. Letters and agendas have been mailed out.
- e. Going back to having 2 cafeterias this coming school year.
- f. No negotiations yet with ECSRPA. Irene King is no longer the NYSUT Rep. The new rep is from Grand Island.
- g. Nice note from a community member (it wasn't signed) regarding how well ECS did on NYS Testing.
- h. State Testing results are outstanding, but we could use a bit of help in the middle school. Would like to have conversations in the near future regarding some resources in the middle school. Perhaps making AIS mandatory.
- i. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony scheduled for Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. Tours and light refreshments. Open House is scheduled for Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Dedication should occur before Open House. Multiuse facility will be handed over on September 13<sup>th</sup>.
- j. Enrollment is right around 621. Up about 20 from last year. Currently around 153 non resident students. Nicole Klein stated that she has had several parents thank her as a board member for looking at the numbers and adding the extra teachers and elementary classes.
- k. Interscholastic Sports – things are crazy, but Dave Pelton (Transportation) and Karl Schwartz (Athletic Director) are doing an outstanding job. Karl is basically the athletic director for two districts. Will have to have a conversation in near future to address this. Swimming currently only has one student. Have to address transportation.
- l. Foreign Exchange Students – currently have two students. Both are from Germany – 1 junior and 1 senior.

**Consent Items**

Moved by Spell, seconded by Murphy, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools:

- a. That the board approve the minutes of the meetings of July 21, 2015
- b. Acknowledgement of the July 29, 2015 and August 12, 2015 Claims Auditor Reports
- c. Approval of July 2015 Treasurer's Report

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

**Committee Reports**

None

**Old Business**

None

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**New Business**

Moved by Spell, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the 2015/2016 Tax Warrant.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Klein, seconded by Murphy, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the 2015/2016 Cattaraugus County Natural Gas Coop Bid. The recommendation is to use Energy Mark as the supplier of Natural Gas based upon the lowest responsible bid, using Option I price of \$-0.535.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Hellwig, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of a Memorandum of Understanding effective August 17, 2015 between University Orthopedic Services Inc. d/b/a UBINOrthopedics and Sports Medicine (“USO”) and the Ellicottville Central School District.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of a contract between The University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry and Ellicottville Central School District effective July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Klein, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval for ECS students to participate in a Prevention Needs Assessment through Healthy Cattaraugus County: A Drug Free Coalition, in September/October 2015 and then every two years after through 2019.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Hellwig, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval for Ellicottville Central School to participate in The Early Identification and Recognition Stress and Wellness Program through the Cattaraugus County Department of Community Services.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the NYSPHSAA New Athletic Placement Process.

**Discussion:** on an item not connected to the placement process, Superintendent Ward stated that West Valley kids may have a problem in the future if they want to transfer to ECS. The current transfer rule would have a student sit out a year, change to another sport or not transfer academically to ECS. Even though they do not have sports teams, it is currently viewed as them transferring schools and playing a sport even though they do not have sports teams. Superintendent Ward stated that the conversation is not over and he will keep advocating for the West Valley kids.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

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**Personnel**

Moved by Wiley, seconded by Hellwig, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Katie Taylor to the position of full-time teacher assistant effective October 13, 2015. This position carries a three year probationary period effective October 13, 2015 and ending on October 13, 2018. Mrs. Taylor shall receive a rate of pay of \$19,320 for the 2015/2016 school year.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Spell, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Deborah Hintz to the position of long-term substitute teacher for Mrs. Caitlin Keller (1<sup>st</sup> Grade) tentatively from September 1, 2015 – October 1, 2015. Mrs. Hintz will receive a rate of pay of \$130 per day.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Klein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Regina Vandenburg to the substitute teacher list (non-certified) at a rate of \$68 per day. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Spell, seconded by Wiley, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Shelby Paulson to the substitute bus driver list. Mr. Paulson shall receive a rate of pay of \$16.00 per hour.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Hellwig, seconded by Murphy, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Kelsey Gould to the substitute teacher list (certified) at a rate of \$88 per day. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Klein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Kelsey Gould to the position of long-term substitute teacher for Mrs. Tammy Peters (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade) tentatively from September 1, 2015 – January 4, 2016. Ms. Gould will receive a rate of pay of \$130 per day.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Spell, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Mychelle McNeil-Wedvik to the substitute teacher list (certified) at a rate of \$88.00 per day. This position is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
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Moved by Spell, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the following advisors for the 2015-2016 school year:

12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Suzana Baker, Jaclyn James
Detention Monitors	Marie Davis, June Chapman
Scholastic Challenge	Marie Davis

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Hellwig, seconded by Wiley, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the following salary increases for substitutes effective September 1, 2015:

Mary Jo Stark (Teacher Aide)	\$12.00 per hour
Ed Lamberson (Cleaner)	\$12.00 per hour

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Richard Hadley to the substitute cleaner list effective August 26, 2016 at a rate of \$12.00 per hour.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Klein, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval to rescind the appointment of Jamie Baldwin as Football Cheerleading Advisor for the 2015-2016 school year effective August 24, 2015.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Hellwig, seconded by Klein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Diana Olson as the Football Cheerleading Advisor for the 2015-2016 school year effective August 24, 2015.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve an MOA between the Ellicottville Central School District and the Ellicottville Central School Teachers Association regarding a teacher's (Ann Chamberlain) employment and benefits for the 2015/2016 school year.

**Yes – 7  
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**Principals Reports**

**Connie Poulin – Elementary Principal/CSE-CPSE Chairperson – Absent**

**Robert Miller – MS/HS Principal**

1. 2015-2016 School Year
  - Master schedule is being finalized/tweaked as needed
  - Student schedules have been mailed out
  - MS/HS Teacher packets are ready
  - We will welcome 2 foreign exchange students from Germany
  - Temporary locker plan is in place for 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students
2. 2015-2016 Planning
  - Calendar planning meeting scheduled for Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>. Do not want to over burden parents with events and potential charges to events.
  - Senior Privileges – meetings held with Lindsay Robinson, Sr. Class President.
3. Senior Welcome Ice Cream Social – 52 seniors in class. Event was attended by 46 students. 3 students were at volleyball scrimmage.
4. Rotary Club Fundraiser Volunteers – Football Players will volunteer this year.
5. Meeting with Bus Drivers

**Policies**

Moved by Klein, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of clarification/changes on the Code of Conduct.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Discussion Items:**

None

**CSE/CPSE Recommendations:**

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Wiley, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the following resolution: **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District: That the Ellicottville Central School District has reviewed the recommendations of the District's Committee on Special Education (#900500414 ) at its meeting on August 25, 2015 and approves all necessary arrangements as the most reasonable and appropriate special service(s) and/or program(s) for the implementation of those recommendations (July 1-31, 2015).

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Adjournment of Meeting**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Klein, to adjourn the regular meeting of August 25, 2015 at 9:07 p.m.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

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District Clerk

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Deputy District Clerk