

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Ellicottville Central School**

**Regular Meeting  
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**Sht. No. 1666  
August 25, 2009**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Linda McAndrew, Mary Ellen Campbell, Steve Crowley, Roger Spell, Stephen Ward, James Wiley

**Members Absent:** Lynn Eddy

**Staff Present:** Mark Ward, Connie Poulin, Sharon Morton, Melissa Sawicki

**Staff Absent:** Robert Miller

**Others Present:** None

**Call to order of meeting**

President McAndrew called the regular meeting of August 25, 2009 of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 7:36 p.m. The pledge to the flag of the United States was recited.

**Roll Call**

Lynn Eddy - absent

**Changes, Additions and Deletions to the Agenda**

- 15c. Review of administrative regulation: Academic Eligibility
- 15d. Review of policy: Grading for Students in Grades 6-12

**Statements and questions from the audience**

None

**Approve Agenda**

Moved by S. Ward, seconded by Campbell to approve the agenda for the August 25, 2009 board meeting with additions.

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Presentations & Reports**

None

**Communications, Commendations**

- a. Thank you letter from Ellicottville Recreation Program (Rebecca Szpaicher)

**Informational Items**

- a. Athletic Policy (on pink paper for maroon policy book)

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**Superintendent's Report**

1. Many Positive Changes article to appear in 2009-2010 ECS District Calendar. Superintendent Ward reviewed the article with the board.
2. Universal PreK - ECS will be able to take non-resident students. Mr. Ward stated that Mrs. Poulin was informed that a district cannot charge tuition for prekindergarten after many phone calls to the New York State Education Department.
3. REAP - ECS will receive approx. \$27,000 in funding.
4. Federal Stimulus money: ECS will receive around \$35,743 which will be used to help pay the salaries of Title I teachers).
5. H1N1 - Superintendent Ward has authorized Mark Duerr to order hand sanitizer dispensers for all classrooms and key areas in the school. The dispensers are free, the district has to purchase the alcohol free foam sanitizer.
6. Public School Total Cohort Graduation Rate and Enrollment Outcomes report.

**Consent Items:**

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

- a. That the board approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 29, 2009
- b. Acknowledgment of Claims Auditor Reports dated August 5, 2009 and August 19, 2009
- c. Approval of June 2009 Treasurer's Report

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

**New Business**

Moved by Campbell, seconded by S. Ward, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of 2009-2010 Tax Warrant.

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Old Business**

None

**Personnel:**

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve Jamie Baldwin as a volleyball scorekeeper for the 2009-2010 season.

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Crowley, seconded by S. Ward, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent, to approve Jamie Baldwin as a volunteer for the 2009-2010 school year.

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

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Moved by Wiley, seconded by Campbell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent, to approve Duane Beyer to the substitute bus driver list.

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent, to approve Renee Olson as a volunteer for the 2009-2010 school year.

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Crowley, seconded by S. Ward, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent, to approve Timothy Grinols (on an emergency conditional basis) to the position of Assistant Junior Varsity Football Coach for the 2009-2010 school year. This position is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State. Salary shall be \$1,665.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Principal's Reports**

**Connie Poulin (Elementary Principal/Director of Curriculum):**

1. Kindergarten visitations - Mrs. Poulin stated that last year she called each family to set up an appointment. She stated that this year she sent a letter and asked parents to call and set up an appointment for a home visit. She stated that the response has not been as great but she has done quite a few. She added that next year she will probably go back to calling the families instead of sending a letter.

**Robert Miller (Middle School/High School Principal): absent**

1. Superintendent Ward stated that Mr. Miller hosted a hot dog roast on Friday, August 21, 2009 for incoming Seniors. He stated that about 27 students attended and received their internet accounts, lockers, etc.
2. Mrs. Poulin stated that Mr. Miller did an excellent job with the Excelerated Program Orientation for 6th graders going into 7th grade.
3. Superintendent Ward stated that Mr. Miller has done an excellent job preparing the 2009-2010 Master Schedule.

**Policies:**

Review of policy: Class Rank

**Discussion:** Superintendent Ward stated that he and Mr. Miller are still working on the wording for this policy.

Review of policy: Alternative Grading for Physical Education Credit

**Discussion:** Superintendent Ward stated that this policy is a work in progress.

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Review of policy: Grading for Students in Grades 6-12

**Discussion:** Steve Ward asked if homework and how much it counts towards a students grade should be addressed in this policy

Review of administrative regulation: Academic Eligibility

**Committee Reports:**

Superintendent Ward stated that meetings will be set-up for September

**Discussion Items:**

ACASB Fall Dinner Meeting (Thursday, September 24, 2009).

**Adjournment of Meeting:**

Moved by S. Ward, seconded by Spell to adjourn the regular meeting of August 25, 2009 at 9:30 pm.

**Yes - 6**

**No - 0**

**Carried**

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District Clerk