

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
Ellicottville Central School**

**Regular Meeting
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**Sht. No. 1714
August 30, 2011**

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Members Present: Mary Ellen Campbell, James Wiley, Connie Hellwig , Roger Spell, Steve Crowley, Carl Calarco

Members Absent: Lynn Eddy

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

Staff Absent: None

Others Present: Merrie Maxon (Administrative Intern), Rebecca Whited (Ellicottville Mountain & Valley News)

Call to order of meeting

President Campbell called the regular meeting of August 30, 2011 of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 7:30 p.m. The pledge to the flag of the United States was recited.

Roll Call

Lynn Eddy - Absent
James Wiley - arrived at 7:40 pm

Changes, Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

Additions:

17b. Calendar & Testing Information

Statements and questions from the audience

None

Approve Agenda

Moved by Spell, seconded by Hellwig, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve the agenda for the August 30, 2011 board meeting with addition 17b. Calendar and Testing Information.

**Yes - 5
No - 0
Carried**

Presentations & Reports

Merrie Maxon (Administrative Intern - St. Bonaventure University): Mrs. Maxon distributed a tri-fold brochure she created highlighting the projects she completed while at ECS. Superintendent Ward stated that Mrs. Maxon did an outstanding job in the four weeks she was at ECS and helped the administrators and district immensely. Superintendent Ward added that Mrs. Maxon will continue work on the update of the Administrative Regulation Manual. Superintendent Ward stated that Mrs. Maxon went above and beyond during her time at ECS. Mrs. Maxon thanked the Board and Administration for the opportunity to intern at ECS. Mrs. Maxon added that her electronic portfolio can be viewed at merriemaxon.wordpress.com.

James Wiley arrived at 7:40 pm

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Communications, Commendations

1. Thank you cards from Joseph Alzate
2. Thank you card from Rebecca Szpaicher (Ellicottville Recreation Director)

Informational Items

1. Approved policies on pink paper for maroon book: Sexual Harassment of Students and Sexual Harassment of District Personnel

Superintendent's Report

1. Driveway Project
2. Drainage on Baseball Field
3. Soccer Field
4. NYSUT lawsuit regarding APPR. Commissioner will appeal.
5. Tax Cap
6. Preliminary Enrollment
7. Attendance & Eligibility Policies
8. Test Scores & Charts

Consent Items:

Moved by Calarco, seconded by Hellwig, 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 August 9, 2011.
- b. Acknowledgment of Claims Auditor Report dated August 25, 2011.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

New Business

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Wiley upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval the Official Tax Warrant for the 2011-2012 school year.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Moved by Spell, seconded by Calarco, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval \$50 donation from Holiday Valley for the ECS Golf Team.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Wiley, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the sale of the following school buses:

- #102 - International Bluebird: Vin# 1HVNNAAN74H617674 90,664 miles Year: 2004 \$12,500
#C18 - Chevy Corbeil: Vin# 1GBHG31F311188435 90,000 miles Year: 2001 \$2,800

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

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Old Business

None

Personnel

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools approval of Chris Edwards to the position of Web-Master at a salary of \$2,500 for the 2011/2012 school year.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Moved by Wiley, seconded by Hellwig, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools approval Sandra Olson as the JV Volleyball Coach for the 2011-2012 school year at a salary of \$3,040.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Principal's Reports

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

1. Update on YMCA Afterschool Program
2. Prek practice bus run (8/29/11)
3. Aims Web Training
4. Common Core Curriculum Work
5. Gap Analysis info (will be provided at a future meeting)
6. CSE Training
7. Ready for start of 2011-2012 school year

Robert Miller (Middle School/High School Principal):

1. Sr. Picnic
2. 7th grade accelerated students
3. Master Schedule - Tammy Eddy did a nice job
4. Bullying Training
5. Fall Sports underway

Policies:

Moved by Hellwig, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools approval of the updated Academic Eligibility Policy.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Moved by Calarco, seconded by Wiley, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools approval of the updated Comprehensive Student Attendance Policy.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

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Discussion: Animals in Schools policy

The Board and Administration discussed possible policies and agreed upon a Policy: Animals on School Grounds. The 1st reading of the policy will be read at the September 13, 2011 Board Meeting. The Board and Superintendent Ward also stressed that the policy will be enforced, with signs being posted, announcements being made at sporting events, as well as articles that will be placed in the district newsletter.

Committee Reports

None

Discussion Items

District and Board Goals: GOALS FOR 2011-12

1. Use the area business community to foster a better understanding for career awareness among our students
2. Continue to focus on student achievement
3. Market our school and community
4. Improve student readiness for college and career

Calendar & Testing Schedules:

Superintendent Ward stated that the Commissioner of Education sent out a memo to all Districts regarding the 2011-2012 testing schedule. In particular, the date change for April/May testing. The commissioner stated in his letter that districts may need to change their Spring Break dates. Superintendent Ward presented the Board with options regarding changes if need be. Superintendent Ward stated that he will be talking with the ETA on Opening Day (9/1/11).

CSE/CPSE Recommendations

Moved by Wiley, seconded by Crowley, 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 (#900500236, 900500333) at its meeting on August 30, 2011 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, 2011).

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Adjournment of Meeting

Moved by Spell, seconded by Hellwig, to adjourn the regular meeting of August 30, 2011 at 9:28 pm.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

District Clerk

Deputy District Clerk