

ELLCOTTVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION
5873 Route 219
Ellicottville, New York 14731

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 16, 2024
6:00 p.m.
HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

Agenda

1. Call to Order of Meeting
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Changes to the Agenda
4. Approve Agenda
Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the agenda of the April 16, 2024, Board of Education Meeting.
5. Public Comment
 - The Public Comment section is a time set aside for the community to speak directly to the Board of Education.
 - Please refer to Policy # 3220 – Public Expression at Meetings.
 - Any person may make a public comment by placing their name, address, and topic on the sign-in sheet.
 - When called, please stand up and state your name and address.
 - Please be respectful in your comments and do not divulge any personal or confidential information. The speaker will be stopped if any Board member or district employee is mentioned by name.
 - Please demonstrate respect by speaking to the issues, sharing ideas and opinions, but not engaging in personal attacks. At a public Board meeting, no person may orally initiate charges or complaints against individual District employees or Board members.
 - Board members, the superintendent and administrators will not answer specific questions or engage in dialogue.
 - The information shared will be carefully considered and the appropriate person will contact you.
 - Rest assured, we are listening carefully, and take seriously what you have to say.
 - The Board appreciates your willingness to share your concerns/celebrations.
6. Presentations & Reports
7. Communications, Commendations
8. Informational Items
9. Superintendent's Report
 - a. Robert Miller
10. Principals Report
 - a. Katie Mendell: Elementary Principal/Director of Curriculum
 - b. Erich Ploetz: MS/HS Principal

11. Consent Items
Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval to adopt the following Consent Agenda items:
- That the board approve the minutes of the meeting of March 26, 2024
 - Acknowledgement of the March 26, 2024 & April 10, 2024, Claims Auditor Reports
12. Committee Reports
13. Discussion Items
- Draft 2024/2025 School Year Calendar
14. Old Business
15. New Business
- Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to adopt the 2024-2025 Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming BOCES' Administrative Budget.
 - Moved by _____, seconded by _____, approval of the following resolution: The Ellicottville Central School District Board of Education casts its vote or votes in the annual election of members of the Board of Cooperative Education Services for the following persons indicated below:

<u>Area 2 – Vacancy – 3-year term</u> Charles Bessette 2588 Harland Ames Road Bolivar, NY 14715	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Area 5 Vacancy – 3-year term</u> Andrew Caya 717 King Street Olean, NY 14760	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Area 6 Vacancy – 3-year term</u> Michael Conroy 6355 Stinson Road Arcade, NY 14009	<input type="checkbox"/>
VOTE FOR ONE IN AREA 8 <u>Area 8 Vacancy – 1-year term</u> Dale Colton 8402 West Bucktooth Run Little Valley, NY 14755	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Area 8 Vacancy – 1-year term</u> Richard Rivers 4844 Route 219, Lot 167 Great Valley, NY 14741	<input type="checkbox"/>

- c. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the following propositions to be put before District Voters on Tuesday, May 21, 2024:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 – BASIC BUDGET

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 \$15,663,452 for the 2024/2025 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

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District in the County of Cattaraugus, State of New York, is authorized to levy an additional (not to exceed) \$60,000 to lease two (2) 66 passenger IC Bus CE school buses for each of the next five years (five annual payments) commencing with the 2024/2025 school year.

- d. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the following WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District will be considering a proposition to undertake the 2024-2025 Capital Outlay Project consisting of Gymnasium Lighting replacement at the School; and WHEREAS, the proposed elements of the 2024-2025 Capital Outlay Project are routine activities of an educational institution for the purpose of maintenance or repair of existing structures and facilities; replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind; and/or routine activities of educational institutions including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 feet of gross floor area; and WHEREAS, such actions are deemed, pursuant to the regulations adopted by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, to be “Type II” actions and are not subject to the requirements of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act; NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED, that the proposed proposition is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c) and that review pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act is not necessary.
- e. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of non-public school transportation requests to New Life Christian School (Olean, NY) (received on February 16, 2024 & March 4, 2024) for the 2024-2025 school year.
- f. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Ann Marie Fitzpatrick, Annie Fitzpatrick, Dlo Bickell and Eileen Hostuttler as inspectors for the May 21, 2024, Budget Vote & Board Member Election. Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Ms. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Bickell and Ms. Hostuttler will each receive \$145 to serve as an inspector.
- g. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Eileen Hostuttler as Chairperson for the May 21, 2024, Budget Vote & Board Member Election.
- h. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the 2024-2025 School District budget notice to be mailed to district residents on May 15, 2024.
- i. Moved by _____, seconded by _____ upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of a Bus Lease Bid from Leonard Bus Sales, Inc. for one (1) IC BUS CE3102, 66 Passenger School Bus and one (1) IC BUS CE3102, 60 Passenger Wheelchair Equipped School Bus. ECS will make four (4) payments of \$73,949 beginning on July 1, 2024, and ending on June 30, 2028. And one (1) payment of \$6,163 for the 2023-2024 school year (because busses were delayed in delivery).

16. Personnel

- a. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval to accept a letter of resignation from Sara O'Neil (LPN) effective April 9, 2024.
- b. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Sara O'Neil to the substitute RN list at a rate of \$35 per hour.
- c. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Lisa Pawlowski to the substitute teacher list (certified) effective September 1, 2024, at a rate of \$135 per day.
- d. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval to accept a letter of intent to retire from Alice Alessi, effective at the end of the day on June 26, 2024.
- e. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Michelle O'Donnell to the probationary position of keyboard specialist at a rate of \$15.25 per hour, effective April 17, 2024. Mrs. O'Donnell will continue to serve a 12-month probationary period which began on November 27, 2023 (provisional appointment) and will end on November 27, 2024.
- f. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Karin Hager as a Mentor for first year LPN's hired at ECS for the 2023-2024 school year per the ETA CBA.
- g. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Laura Whitmer to the position of Part-Time Cafeteria Worker at a rate of \$15.00 per hour effective April 17, 2024. This position carries a one year probationary period which will begin on April 17, 2024 and end on April 17, 2025.

17. Policy

18. CSE/CPSE Recommendations

- a. Moved by _____, seconded by _____, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, 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 (#900501634, 900501445, 900501632, 900501410, 900501261, 900501315, 900501428) at its meeting on April 16, 2024, and approves all necessary arrangements as the most reasonable and appropriate special service(s) and/or program(s) for the implementation of those recommendations March 21 - 28, 2024.

20. Executive Session

The New York Public Officers Law states a board may enter into executive session to discuss:

1. Matters which will imperil the public safety if disclosed.
2. Any matter which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer.
3. Information relating to current or future investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed.
4. Proposed, pending or current litigation.
5. Collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law).
6. The medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.
7. The preparation, grading or administration of examinations.
8. The proposed acquisition, sale, or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value of the property.

Adjournment of meeting