

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Ellicottville Central School**

**Regular Meeting  
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**Sht. No. 1828  
January 26, 2016**

**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), Tim DeChane, Glenn Hall, John Zerfas, Matt Hansen, Stephanie Hansen, Tim Zerfas, Becky Nannen, Lindsey Robinson, Ande Wilson, Kourtney Robinson, Aiden Rozler, Jenna Aldrich, Madison Harris, Shelby Imhoff, Sydney Smith, Madison Swalcy

**Call to order of meeting**

President Calarco called the regular meeting of January 26, 2016 of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 7:35 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:**

- 6c. Senior Class Trip (Lindsey Robinson)
- 13a. Pittsburgh (Choice #2) two days/one night
- 14c. Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval to form a Board Budget Committee consisting of board members: Carl Calarco, Connie Hellwig and William Murphy.
- 14d. Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Jenna O'Connell to the position of long-term substitute as an English teacher effective retroactive to January 25, 2016 at a rate of \$130 per day.
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**Deletions:**

- 11a. Technology Committee

**Public Comment**

None

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**Approve Agenda**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Klein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the agenda of the January 26, 2016 Board of Education Meeting with additions and deletions as noted.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

**Presentations & Reports**

Junior Class (Senior Class of 2017 trip presentation): Jenna Aldrich, President of the class of 2017 made a presentation to the Board and Administration regarding the Class of 2017 Senior Trip. Miss Aldrich showed a power point outlining the possible choices. The class is suggesting four possible choices, New Orleans, Miami, San Antonio or New York City. The first three trips would be three days and two nights. The class would travel by charter bus to the airport and fly to the chosen location. The cost for each student is estimated to be around \$1,200. The trip to New York City will be by coach bus and would be around \$700 per student. The class would partly fund the trip. The class is looking to travel in March of 2017. Students wishing to go on the trip would make a deposit of \$50 per month in an account and at the end would have \$700 for the trip. The class currently has around six thousand dollars in its treasury and would give each student \$100 towards the trip. Superintendent Ward stated that the drawback is the cost and that the proposal will be a hard sell with the Board and Administration. Mr. Miller stated that he is not against them going, but they need to have dialogue.

Music Association/Drama Club: New York City Trip, June 27-30, 2016: Ande Wilson and Kourtney Robinson present a proposal for the Music Association/Drama Club Trip to New York City in June 2016. They stated that students currently in grades 9-12 will be invited to participate. The cost of the trip based on 50 students traveling will be \$550 per student with the Music Association giving each student \$50 towards the trip. The Club is hoping to defray some of the costs associated with the trip with BOCES Cosers. Mr. Miller is working with the students on this part of the trip. Superintendent Ward stated that Mrs. Wilder has run the trip before and that any traveling the students can do is a wonderful opportunity for them to see the world.

Class of 2016 Senior Trip: Lindsey Robinson, Sr. Class President, presented Board Members with a revised itinerary for a trip to Pittsburgh in May 2016. The class re-voted on four possible choices including Pittsburgh and Cleveland. The class voted on a shorter, closer, and more reasonable trip. She stated that right now 29 are interested at a cost of around \$375 for a 2 day, one night trip. The trip includes motorcoach travel to and from Pittsburgh. The students would go to the Pittsburgh Zoo and Aquarium, go on a Gateway Clipper Empress Dinner Cruise and then on the Dusquesne Incline (a old cable car tour of downtown Pittsburgh). The second day the students would go white water rafting on the Ohioople River. After white water rafting, the students will depart for home.

**Communications, Commendations**

- a. NYSSBA – Board Excellence Awards  
Roger Spell – Level 2 Leadership Development  
Carl Calarco – Level 3 Leadership Development

**Informational Items**

Public Hearing – February 29, 2016 @ 3:15 pm (HS Library) regarding Smart Schools Bond Act. Superintendent Ward stated that the district will be targeting about \$300,000 of \$344,000. The money will be used to purchase 50 Touch Screens (one for every classroom – eliminating projectors, tv's and whiteboards). The other part of the Bond Act money will be used to update indoor and outdoor security. Superintendent Ward stated that the items would have to be purchased up front by the district and then be reimbursed.

**Superintendent's Report**

- a. State Aid proposal received from governor fell a bit short for Ellicottville. 1.9% new money. Will be lobbying Young & Giglio to raise amount received. He stated that some of the school funding for the current year was based on how much was spent in the previous school year. A recent report released by the State Comptroller states the District is in good fiscal shape showing steady improvement over the past three years.
- b. Area 8 CA BOCES School Board seat – ECS nominated Steve Crowley. A letter will be sent to all board presidents in the CA BOCES (from Carl Calarco and Connie Hellwig) asking their districts to support Steve Crowley and vote for him.

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- c. Capital Project – winding down. Lockers will be in mid-March. There is a problem with the bleachers (moving them back and forth). If you are off just a slight bit, they do not move back in correctly. The other day the mats on the walls were torn while moving the bleachers back. The district will have to pay to fix them. A thought would be to reduce the amount of padding, leaving a bit more room to move the bleachers back. The display case (clock and bells) will be installed in the main hs foyer on Friday.
- d. Banners in HS Gym – Thank you to the Sports Boosters they did a magnificent job getting the banners. A special thank you to Deb Golley and Todd Palmatier who spear headed the project.
- e. Teachers and students visited from Brazil last Friday. A Brazilian flag greeted the visitors as they entered the main foyer. Another visit is planned for April. In April the visitors will be presented with an American Flag. ECS may have an opportunity to be in an exchange program with St. Bonaventure, for administrators, teachers and students from the US and Brazil. A great opportunity for our students and staff.
- f. In the midst of scheduling a meeting with the West Valley Board and Administration to talk about annexation or whatever else they have on their minds. The meeting has not been schedule to date, but it is being worked on.

**Consent Items**

Moved by Hellwig, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools:

- a. That the board approve the minutes of the meetings of January 12, 2016
- b. Acknowledgement of the January 13, 2016 Claims Auditor Report
- c. Approval of December 2015 Treasurer's Report

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

**Committee Reports**

None

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

Moved by Spell, seconded by Wiley, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the Senior Class of 2016 trip to Pittsburgh in May 2016.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the Smart Schools Bond Investment Plans (Security & Classroom Technology).

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Klein, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the Music Association/Drama Club trip to New York City (the last week of June 27-30, 2016).

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Hellwig, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, accept a donation of banners (athletic achievement) from the Sports Boosters.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

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**Personnel**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Sherry Krytus to the substitute cafeteria worker list at a rate of \$9.00 per hour. 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 Christina Grant as a homework club substitute advisor (retroactive to January 1, 2016) for the 2015-2016 school year.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

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**Principals Reports**

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

Absent – no report

**Robert Miller – MS/HS Principal**

- a. Comprehensive School Counseling Program – Newly proposed Commissioners Regulations. Tammy Eddy and Dan LaCroix will be attending workshops to ensure compliance.
- b. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Moving Up – Skating in Franklinville, Ice Cream Social, Middle School Dance.
- c. Winter Weekend – Spirit throughout week starting with PTO Lip Synch on Monday evening. MS Dance on Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>. HS Dance on Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup>.
- d. Regents/Mid year SLO Exams – 33 students (duplicated count) signed up for 10 exams. Non-vested interest scoring in-house due to “small” numbers. 5 classes taking final SLO exams.
- e. APPR/SLO’s – Stay tuned... “automatic waivers” through July 1, at which time we need to submit proposal to be in place for September 1, 2016. Can use 3-8 NYS assessments for teacher scores...basically just ignore the scores and use the average of observation score and local (SMART goals) assessment.
- f. CCMTA Scholarship – Kaleigh Hunt has won the Cattaraugus County Music Teachers Association scholarship. Kaleigh will receive \$300 a year for 4 years. Congratulations Kaleigh!
- g. Helena Brierton, 7<sup>th</sup> grade class advisor, took 4 seventh grade students to a Middle School Leadership Conference.
- h. Roger Spell asked how many students are on the Raspberry Pi Team. Mr. Miller stated that he will have that information for the next board meeting.

**Policies**

Moved by Klein, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and approval of the following policy: 7521 Opioid Overdose Prevention.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Discussion Items:**

Tim DeChane asked to address the board regarding youth basketball and alumni basketball. Mr. DeChane stated that he coaches two teams and is the Vice President of the youth basketball organization. He stated that he received funding from a few businesses in Ellicottville to purchase youth size basketball hoops for the organization. He is requesting storage area within the school to store the hoops. Also, he requested a key for the storage area. He also requested the high school gym on Saturday, February 20, 2016 for the youth basketball “big game”. Superintendent Ward stated that these were not unreasonable requests and the district would be able to work with the league. He added that the use of the high school gym on February 21<sup>st</sup> would work as long as it is available. Mr. DeChane also requested that the Alumni Basketball Team be able to practice and have games at ECS. Superintendent Ward stated that this is different, and the alumni team would need insurance, adding that it is board policy. He stated that a school employee must be present at the alumni practices and games. He assured Mr. DeChane that the district will try and work with the alumni.

**CSE/CPSE Recommendations:**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Wile, 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 (#900500348, 900500953, 900500758, 900500085, 900500905, 900347688) at its meeting on January 26, 2016 and approves all necessary arrangements as the most reasonable and appropriate special service(s) and/or program(s) for the implementation of those recommendations (December 1-31, 2015).

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

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**Adjournment of Meeting**

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Spell, to adjourn the regular meeting of January 26, 2016 at 9:00 p.m.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

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District Clerk

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Deputy District Clerk