

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
Ellicottville Central School**

**Regular Meeting
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**Sht. No. 1665
July 29, 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, Robert Miller, Connie Poulin, Melissa Sawicki

Staff Absent: Sharon Morton

Others Present: Chris Michel (Salamanca Press)
April Preston (Administrative Intern - West Valley Central School)

Call to order of meeting

President McAndrew called the regular meeting of July 29, 2009 of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 7:34 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

Changes:

13c. Approval of Elizabeth Weber as a 7th grade advisor for the 2009/2010 school year at a salary of \$183.

Additions:

11d. The Ellicottville Central School District Board of Education does hereby authorize Superintendent Mark J. Ward to enter into a three year contract with Pupil Benefits Plan, Inc. for student accident insurance for the 2009-2010, 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years.

13d. The Ellicottville Central School District Board of Education does hereby appoint, on an emergency conditional basis, Crystal Wilder, to the position of Music Teacher. Crystal Wilder, who holds a permanent certificate in NYS public schools in the certification area of Music will be appointed for a probationary period of two years commencing on September 1, 2009 and ending on September 1, 2011. Furthermore, Mrs. Wilder will be placed on Step 10 of the ETA salary schedule at a base salary of \$45,050 with additional salary credit for a Master's Degree and 42 graduate hours as provided for in the ETA contract.

13e. The Ellicottville Central School District Board of Education does hereby appoint, Nicholas Smith to the position of Elementary Teacher. Nicholas Smith, who holds an initial certificate in NYS public schools in the certification area of Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) will be appointed for a probationary period of three years commencing on September 1, 2009 and ending on September 1, 2012. Furthermore, Mr. Smith will be placed on Step 1 of the ETA salary schedule at a base salary of \$37,000 with additional salary credit for 12 graduate hours as provided for in the ETA contract.

13f. Approval of Sandy Olson to the position of Girl's Junior Varsity Volleyball Coach for the 2009-2010 season. Salary shall be \$2,590.

13g. Approval of Reann Ehman to the position of Girl's Modified Volleyball Coach for the 2009-2010 season. Salary shall be 2,960.

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Statements and questions from the audience

None

Approve Agenda

Moved by Spell, seconded by S. Ward to approve the agenda for the July 29, 2009 board meeting with additions.

Yes - 6

No - 0

Carried

Presentations & Reports

Strategic Planning - Connie Poulin outlined the Strategic Plan as presented to the public on July 14, 2009. Superintendent Ward asked board members to review the information and suggested that it be approved at the August 25th board meeting. Superintendent Ward stated that he will put an article in the September District newsletter regarding Strategic Planning and then specific information will be in the October issue. Superintendent Ward stated that the information will be presented to the staff and students and another presentation for community members will be scheduled in the fall. He added that the new tag line will begin to be used starting with the September newsletter.

Communications, Commendations

None

Informational Items

- a. Comprehensive Student Attendance Policy
- b. Code of Conduct - Regulation

Superintendent's Report

- 1. Summer Projects
- 2. Executive Session needed at end of meeting to discuss negotiations
- 3. New Computer Labs
- 4. Press Box - still in planning stage
- 5. Bus Driver position
- 6. School Boards Convention - NYC October 15-18, 2009
- 7. "Get Motivated" at HSBC Arena August 18, 2009
- 8. Student Accident Insurance
- 9. Hiring (finished up - appointments on tonight's agenda)
- 10. New sign will be installed August 28th, Rick Howard doing Stone Work
- 11. Blacktop and patching
- 12. Athletic Scoreboards - board consensus to purchase one or two portable scoreboards (can be used for soccer, baseball and softball) around \$3,500 each (money put aside in this years budget).

Consent Items:

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Crowley, 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 reorganizational and regular meeting of July 7, 2009
- b. Acknowledgment of Claims Auditor Report dated July 22, 2009
- c. Approval of a donation of \$3,132.12 to the Cassetta Endowment Fund from Arts for Ellicottville.

Yes - 6

No - 0

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New Business

Moved by Wiley, seconded by Crowley, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of donating obsolete teaching materials to the general public. Materials may be reviewed and picked-up on Monday, August 3, 2009 from 10 am - 2pm in the elementary foyer.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Moved by S. Ward, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of ECS transportation to Darien Lake for Holy Name of Mary Church. The bus driver will donate his time to drive the bus and Holy Name of Mary Church will pay ECS for the mileage.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education nominating Delores Ackerman to run for the seat of NYSSBA Area 3 Director.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Moved by S. Ward, seconded by S. Crowley, that the Ellicottville Central School District Board of Education does hereby authorize Superintendent Mark J. Ward to enter into a three year contract with Pupil Benefits Plan, Inc. for student accident insurance for the 2009-2010, 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Old Business

None

Personnel:

Moved by Wiley, seconded by Campbell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve Lynne Nuthall as Scholastic Challenge Advisor for the 2009/2010 school year at a salary of \$356.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

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**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Moved by Crowley, seconded by S. Ward, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent, to approve Elizabeth Weber as an 7th grade advisor for the 2009/2010 school year at a salary of \$183.

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No - 0
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Discussion: Mrs. Poulin reviewed the interview process for this position explaining that the district received in excess of 130 applications for the position. She stated that there were nine people on the interview committee. Nine candidates were given an initial interview with the committee. 19 Candidates were given an initial interview with Mrs. Poulin or Mr. Ward prior to meeting with the committee. Three finalists names were given to Mr. Ward for a third and final interview.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
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No - 0
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No - 0
Carried**

Principal's Reports

Connie Poulin (Elementary Principal/Director of Curriculum):

None

Robert Miller (Middle School/High School Principal):

1. Class of 2009 Information
2. June 2009 Regents/RCT Exam Results
3. College Level Courses at ECS
4. Athletic Policy
5. Alternative Options for Earning PE Credit
6. Proposal to Change Policy #7224 Class Rank
7. HSNF Conference

Policies:

Moved by S. Ward, seconded by Campbell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve changes to the Student Athletic Policy.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

The Class Rank Policy and Alternative Grading for Physical Education Credit Policy were reviewed by board members. The policies will be placed on the August 25, 2009 board meeting agenda for reading and approval.

Committee Reports:

None

Discussion Items:

None

Executive Session:

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Spell, to enter into executive session at 9:30 pm to discuss negotiations.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

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Moved by S. Ward, seconded by Spell, to come out of executive session and return to the regular meeting at 10:02 p.m.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

Adjournment of Meeting:

Moved by Wiley, seconded by Crowley to adjourn the regular meeting of July 29, 2009 at 10:03 pm.

**Yes - 6
No - 0
Carried**

District Clerk

Deputy District Clerk