

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Ellicottville Central School**

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**Sht. No. 1685  
June 8, 2010**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

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

**Members Absent:** None

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

**Staff Absent:** Sharon Morton

**Others Present:** Daniel LaCroix, Connie Hellwig, Justine Stephan, Deb Golley, Becca Golley

**Call to order of meeting**

President McAndrew called the regular meeting of June 8, 2010 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**

Steve Ward arrived at 7:37 pm

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

**Additions:**

**New Business:**

**11c.** Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve a resolution with other public school districts in Cattaraugus and Allegany Counties to bid jointly for various supplies, commodities, and/or services in the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

**Personnel:**

**13d.** Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to appoint Kevin Blendinger as a Maintenance Mechanic effective July 1, 2010. This position carries a three-month probationary period.

**Statements and questions from the audience**

None

**Approve Agenda**

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Crowley to approve the agenda for the June 8, 2010 board meeting with additions.

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Steve Ward arrived 7:37 pm**

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**Presentations & Reports**

**8th Grade Trip - Washington, D.C.** - Debbie Golley thanked the Board and Administration for supporting the 8th grade trip to Washington, D.C. Mrs. Golley stated that the students saw so many things and it was very educational. She added that the students were very well behaved. Mrs. Golley stated that Miss Opferbeck and Mrs. Hart did a great job organizing the trip. Mrs. Golley stated that she collected over 2,000 pictures that students had taken on the trip and made a DVD for each student as a keepsake. Becca Golley stated that she had a lot of fun on the trip and that other classes should be allowed to go in the future. She thanked the Board and Administration. The Board viewed a shortened version of the DVD Mrs. Golley produced for the 8th grade students.

Superintendent Ward thanked Mrs. Golley for making the DVD for the kids and for chaperoning the trip.

Mrs. Golley stated that she would like to compliment Chris Edwards in regards to the district web-site. She stated that Mr. Edwards has done a wonderful job with it this year. She added that she sent him pictures and they were streaming on the web-site while the 8th graders were still on the trip in D.C.

**Elementary Guidance (Dan LaCroix)**- Dan LaCroix stated that he was at the meeting to give the Board and Administration another update on what is going on with Elementary Guidance. Mr. LaCroix reviewed his duties as an elementary guidance counselor and the amount of time dedicated to each duty. He stated that he is working with John Dedrick from Salamanca and thanked Superintendent Ward for putting him in touch with him. Mr. LaCroix stated that Mr. Dedrick is a wonderful resource. Mr. LaCroix explained some of the programs he uses with his students including Magic 1,2,3 and Virtues: The Gifts of Character (a card system and program). Mr. LaCroix stated that he is finishing up Career Zone for the year with 6th, 7th and 8th graders. Mr. LaCroix stated that in the 2010-2011 school year he will be initiating a Student Skillstreaming Checklist. President McAndrew and Superintendent Ward thanked Dan for his presentation and complimented him on the wonderful job that he is doing.

**Special Education (Justine Stephan)** - Miss Stephan thanked the Board and Administration for the opportunity to work in such a wonderful district. Miss Stephan thanked them as well for their support and the resources they have provided her this year. Miss Stephan stated that she has attended the New York State Special Education Chair training and that most of the "Chairs" are pretty new to the position. She stated that they are working on a Special Education Manual. Miss Stephan stated that one of her goals for 2010-2011 is to have more Special Education Faculty Meetings with the staff (on a voluntary basis). She stated that staff training's and New York State Performance Indicators are another goal of hers. She added that Performance Indicator #8 and #14 are almost complete and will be completed by the end of the 2009-2010 school year. Miss Stephan stated that a few of her goals for the 2010-2011 school year will be more spec. ed. faculty meetings, state forms and to create a spec. ed. link on the ECS web-site. Superintendent Ward asked Miss Stephan how many students are receiving services. Miss Stephan replied 80 with IEP's and 25 with 504's. Miss Stephan stated that she met with the District's Internal Auditor and that the previous CSE Chair made sure all psych evals were up to date. The external auditors pulled 20 folders and noted that the folders need to be kept up to date. Steve Crowley asked Miss Stephan how much time she spends meeting and talking with parents. Miss Stephan stated that she is in phone contact with parents, but most contact is made at meetings. Mr. Crowley asked Miss Stephan what kind of office hours she keeps. Miss Stephan stated Mondays, Thursdays and 1/2 days on Fridays at ECS. She added that she is always available by telephone and that parents are given her ECS, West Valley and personal cell number to contact her. Miss Stephan stated that she feels like she has a better handle on next year, after getting one year under her belt. Miss Stephan stated that she would like to come to a board meeting over the summer and present to the board. Superintendent Ward stated that the district is lucky to have Miss Stephan.

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**Communications, Commendations**

- a. Business First Ranking are streaming out this week, with Newspaper coming out on Friday. Superintendent Ward stated that ECS Elementary is 41 in WNY out of 300. He stated that in ELA ECS was 70th out of 300. In Math ECS will be specially recognized as one of the Top 20.
- b. Yearbook - very nice. Students have their copy.
- c. 80 Superintendent's visited ECS on June 3rd. He stated they were at a conference @ Holiday Valley which was hosted by the WNY Superintendents. Mr. Ward stated that the students were very well behaved and the staff was very accommodating. Mr. Ward stated that Shawne Hunt was outstanding in accommodating all of the needs of the program held that day at ECS. He added that the attendees were impressed by ECS, its staff and students.

**Informational Items**

- a. Proposed 2010-2011 Cafeteria Prices - Superintendent Ward asked Board Members to look over the prices and let him know of any changes at the next board meeting. He stated that price changes will be approved at the board's reorganizational meeting on July 6th. The Board asked Superintendent Ward to provide them with information on how many staff lunch are sold on average as well as second lunches for students.
- b. May 2010 Cafeteria Report
- c. 2010 Internal Audit - Superintendent Ward stated that the Internal Audit has been completed and the auditor would like to come to a future board meeting to present it to the board. Superintendent Ward will provide Board Members with a copy and try to have the auditor present at the June 29th Board Meeting.

**Superintendent's Report**

Information already reviewed under Communications and Informational Items.

**Consent Items:**

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Spell, 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 May 18, 2010.
- b. Acknowledgment of Claims Auditor Reports dated June 3, 2010.
- c. Approval of April 2010 Treasurer's Report.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**New Business**

Moved by S. Ward, seconded by Eddy, to table the following motion pending further explanation about swim dates and locations until the June 29, 2010 board meeting. The Board would also like to know if the Great Valley Summer Youth Program will be requesting transportation.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of transportation by ECS for the Ellicottville Recreation Program (Summer of 2010). **TABLED**

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Moved by Campbell, seconded by Crowley, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of MOU with Healthy Families Allegany/Cattaraugus for the 2010-2011 school year.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Crowley, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve a resolution with other public school districts in Cattaraugus and Allegany Counties to bid jointly for various supplies, commodities, and/or services in the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Old Business**  
None

**Personnel**

Moved by Spell, seconded by Campbell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools it is hereby recommended to recall from the preferred eligibility list David McCann, who is a probationary teacher (who will receive tenure in the Social Studies tenure area as of September 1, 2010), and place in a full-time Social Studies position effective July 1, 2010. This position is presently staffed by Theresa Hart who will be resigning effective June 30, 2010.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

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Moved by Wiley, seconded by Eddy, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve the following advisors for the 2010-2011 school year.

Class of 2011 (Seniors)	Jaye Zelko & Deb McGowan
Class of 2012 (Juniors)	Jackie James & Suzana Baker
Class of 2013 (Sophomores)	Jaye Zelko & Pat Waldron
Class of 2014 (Freshmen)	Melissa Reedy & Lisa Pawlowski
Class of 2015 (8th Grade)	
Class of 2016 (7th Grade)	Elizabeth Weber
Class of 2017 (6th Grade)	Lynette Sexton
Drama Club	Jaye Zelko, Pat Waldron, Crystal Wilder
Ecology Club	Glenn Hall
ESPRA	
Foreign Language Club	Dolores Whistler
Jazz Band	Crystal Wilder
Jazz Chorus	Pat Waldron
National Honor Society	Suzana Baker
Quiz Bowl	Lynne Nuthall
Student Council	Jaye Zelko, Pat Waldron & Elizabeth Weber
Varsity Club	Mary Neilon & Tim Bergan
Music Association	Kathy Weller, Pat Waldron & Crystal Wilder
Ski Club	Glenn Hall
Yearbook	Carrie Bauer & Chris Edwards
Computer Lab Monitor (Afterschool)	Pamela Illig
SEE Studyhalls	Glenn Hall & Deb McGowan
Detention (afterschool)	
AV/ETV	

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve Aron Cole as a tutor.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve Kevin Blendinger to the position of Maintenance Mechanic effective July 1, 2010. This position carries a three month probationary period.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Principal's Reports**

**Connie Poulin (Elementary Principal/Director of Curriculum): no written report**

1. Mrs. Poulin passed around the 2009-2010 Elementary Yearbook.

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**Robert Miller (Middle School/High School Principal): no written report**

- 1. MS Band took 2nd place at Darien Lake MS Band Competition
- 2. Course enrollment for next year (working with Superintendent Ward)
- 3. 8th grade field trip to D.C. went very well. (Mr. Miller chaperoned). Very well received by kids.
- 4. 6 seniors on fence for not graduating. Communicating with parents.

**Policies**

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, reading and approval of proposed changes to the Code of Conduct administrative regulation as presented in the public hearing on June 8, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Wiley, seconded by Campbell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, reading and approval of proposed changes to the Comprehensive Student Attendance Policy as presented in the public hearing on June 8, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Committee Reports**

None

**Discussion Items**

None

**Executive Session**

Moved by S. Ward, seconded by Spell, 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 (# 900500140, 900500133, 900500080, 900423395, 900500062, 900500061, 900303402, 900500153, 900199923, 900500153, 900303402, 900126588, 900297536, 900500101, 900384149, 900500071, 900384261, 900303930, 900398409, 900500080, 900500241, 900355476) at its meeting on June 8, 2010 and approves all necessary arrangements as the most reasonable and appropriate special service(s) and/or program(s) for the implementation of those recommendations (May 1-31, 2010).

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

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Moved by S. Ward, seconded by Crowley to enter into executive session at 9:50 pm to discuss legal and contractual items.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Wiley, seconded by Eddy to come out of executive session and return to the regular meeting at 10:28 pm.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Adjournment of Meeting**

Moved by Spell, seconded by Campbell to adjourn the regular meeting of June 8, 2010 at 10:29 pm.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

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District Clerk

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Deputy District Clerk