

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Ellicottville Central School**

**Regular Meeting  
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**Sht. No. 1661  
May 19, 2009**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

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

**Members Absent:** None

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

**Staff Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Dolores Whistler, Chris Michel (Salamanca Press)

**Call to order of meeting**

President McAndrew called the regular meeting of May 19, 2009 of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 7:38 p.m. The pledge to the flag of the United States was recited.

**Roll Call**

All present

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

- 11f. Approval of Allyson Day (Keuka College) to do a field experience with Patricia Waldron (140 hours)
- 11g. Approval of memorandum of agreement between the Ellicottville Central School District and the Ellicottville Teachers Association
- 11h. Approval of proposed trip to France in Spring 2010 (in concept)

**Statements and questions from the audience**

None

**Approve Agenda**

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Spell to approve the agenda for the May 19, 2009 board meeting with additions.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Presentations & Reports**

Dolores Whistler (Language Club trip proposal): Mrs. Whistler addressed the board regarding a trip to France she would like to take students and parents on the week of February 13, 2010. Mrs. Whistler stated that by taking the students the week in February (with them missing three days of school) as opposed to going in April during Easter Break, the students will save around \$300. Mrs. Whistler explained that students will receive an additional discount if they book prior to June 30, 2009. Mrs. Whistler stated that she will propose two plans of the trip to parents. She stated that she will not know until closer to the end of June which trip they will be taking as they need to be grouped with another school. She stated that a tour group consists of 25 students. Superintendent Ward stated he thought it was a great thing that Mrs. Whistler does, going on these trips. He stated that he and Mrs. Whistler discussed the students getting out of school for three days and the discount they would receive on the trip by doing so. The board will put the trip on for approval in concept and vote on it later in the meeting.

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**Vice-President Mary Ellen Campbell took over the meeting in the absence of President Linda McAndrew who left the meeting with District Clerk Melissa Sawicki to obtain the results of the Budget Vote and Board Member Election.**

**Communications, Commendations**

None

**Informational Items**

- a. April 2009 Cafeteria Report
- b. Policies on pink paper for maroon policy book:
  - 1) Students Records: Access and Challenges
  - 2) Student Directory Information
  - 3) Idling School Buses on School Grounds

**Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Ward discussed proposed changes to the sixth grade next year and stated that a meeting has been held with the teachers. Superintendent Ward also discussed changes in the Technology area for the 2009/2010 school year with the announced retirement of Mrs. Sharon Coolidge (CAI Teacher Assistant).

**Consent Items:**

Moved by Crowley, second by Wiley, 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 April 28, 2009 and the budget hearing/regular meeting of May 12, 2009
- b. Acknowledgment of Claims Auditor Report dated May 14, 2009
- c. Approval of March 2009 Treasurer's Report

**Discussion:** The board asked for a typo to be fixed in the May 12, 2009 budget hearing minutes. Also, in the March 2009 Treasurer's Report they asked for the Class of 2008 account to be closed.

Moved by Crowley, second by Wiley upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to adopt the above Consent Agenda items as corrected:

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**President McAndrew and District Clerk Sawicki returned to the meeting. President McAndrew took the meeting over.**

**Superintendent Ward read the results of the Budget Vote and Board Member Election.**

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**New Business**

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve the ECS Envirothon Team going to the New York State Envirothon Competition at Keuka College May 27th & 28th, 2009.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Crowley, seconded by Wiley to approve the results of the Ellicottville Central School Budget Vote Proposition #1: **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 \$10,448,530** for the 2009/2010 school year budget.

**YES 243                      NO 59                      PASSED**

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Spell to approve the results of the Ellicottville Central School Budget Vote Proposition #2: **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Ellicottville Central School District (the "District") is hereby authorized to establish a capital reserve fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law of the State of New York (the "Fund"); that the Fund shall be known as the "Capital Reserve Fund" of the District; that the Fund shall be established for the purpose of funding the construction, reconstruction, addition to, renovation, alteration and improvement of District buildings, facilities, grounds and real property, including the acquisition of original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection therewith; that the ultimate amount of such Fund shall be not greater than \$3,000,000 plus interest earned thereon; that the probable term of the Fund shall be not longer than 10 years; and that the source of the monies for the Fund shall be (a) the unappropriated fund balance of the District, (b) state aid received as reimbursement for expenditures by the District in connection with District capital improvements and for expenditures from the Fund, and (c) such other sources as the Board or the voters of the District may direct.

**YES 211                      NO 88                      PASSED**

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Spell, seconded by S. Ward to approve the results of the Ellicottville Central School Budget Vote Proposition #3: **RESOLVED**, that in all subsequent elections, pursuant to Education Law Section 2018(b), vacancies upon the Board of Education shall not be considered separate specific offices and that nominating petitions shall not describe any specific vacancy upon the Board of Education for which the candidate is nominated.

**YES 226                      NO 63                      PASSED**

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

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Moved by Campbell, seconded by Eddy to approve the results of the Ellicottville Central School Board  
Member Election: **Vote to fill the two expiring five-year terms on the Board of Education**

**Seat #1**

257 Steve Crowley

1 Larry Mack (*Write-in Candidate*)

**Seat #2**

63 Catherine (Katie) Ambuski

179 James H. Wiley

98 Dennis Hintz

**STEVE CROWLEY AND JAMES H. WILEY WILL EACH SERVE A FIVE YEAR TERM  
BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2009 AND ENDING ON JUNE 30, 2014.**

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Crowley, second by Eddy, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools approval of Allyson Day (Keuka College) to do a field experience with Patricia Waldron (140 hours).

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Crowley, second by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools approval of a memorandum of agreement between the Ellicottville Central School District and the Ellicottville Teachers Association.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Crowley, second by Campbell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools approval of a proposed trip to France in Spring 2010 (in concept).

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Old Business**

None

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**Personnel:**

Moved by S. Ward, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve Susan Blesy to the substitute cafeteria worker list on an emergency conditional basis. This position is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Wiley, seconded by Crowley, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve Jamie Baldwin to the substitute teacher aide and substitute office aide lists.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Spell seconded by Wiley, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to accept a letter of resignation for retirement purposes from Sharon Coolidge effective March 31, 2009.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Principal's Reports**

**Connie Poulin (Elementary Principal/Director of Curriculum):**

No Report

**Robert Miller (Middle School/High School Principal):**

No Report

**Policies:**

None

**Committee Reports:**

Superintendent Ward stated that the Buildings, Grounds and Transportation Committee met before the board meeting this evening. He stated that they discussed several proposed projects. He stated that among them are a new sign out in front of the school. He stated that he hoped to have the specs out to bid within the next 10 days and that he has already spoken with Rick Howard in regards to helping with the base work. He added that a widened driveway along the south entrance is being planned with turning lanes. He stated that the elementary section of the u-drive must also be addressed in regards to the slope and drainage. Another project discussed was a new press box. Superintendent Ward stated that the current one is just simply not safe. He stated that he has spoken with Jerry Musall and he said that he would help with the project. He stated that he hoped to get back to the board at the June 9th meeting with more specs on the project. Superintendent Ward stated that Vicky Williams is working with John Karrasick on purchasing kitchen equipment at a fair price. He stated that she has been researching prices and has done an excellent job. Superintendent Ward stated that Dave Pelton obtained a inventory software system at no cost to the district (\$4,000 estimated value). He stated that Mr. Pelton has inventoried all of the bus garage supplies (parts, etc.). Superintendent Ward stated that the district will be selling two cars and one truck.

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**Discussion Items:**  
None

**Executive Session:**

Motion by Campbell, second by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve the following CSE/CPSE recommendations dated April 1-30, 2009: 900440340, 900500066, 900303649, 900303500, 900438629, 900256868, 900433750, 900256841, 900500062, 900500061, 900303368, 900399339, 900384160, 900303402, 900500153.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Adjournment of Meeting:**

Moved by Crowley, second by Spell to adjourn the regular meeting of May 19, 2009 at 8:52 pm.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

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District Clerk