

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Ellicottville Central School**

**Special Meeting  
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**Sht. No. 1648  
November 12, 2008**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

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

**Members Absent:** Stephen Ward

**Staff Present:** Mark Ward, Connie Pound, Robert Miller

**Staff Absent:** Melissa Sawicki, Sharon Morton

**Others Present:** Melissa Foster

**Call to order of meeting**

President McAndrew called the special meeting of November 12, 2008 of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 7:37 p.m. The pledge to the flag of the United States was recited.

**Roll Call**

Steve Ward - absent

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

None

**Statements and questions from the audience**

None

**Approve Agenda**

Moved by Crowley, second by Spell to approve the agenda for the November 12, 2008 special board meeting.

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Discussion Items**

Strategic Planning

The Board discussed the company Advisory Solutions which could help the district proceed with Strategic Planning. Board members were provided with information about the company. The board had a lengthy discussion regarding the proposed process and scope of work. Superintendent Ward was asked by the board to get clarification on some of the items in the process.

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Traffic

Superintendent Ward discussed proposed changes to the traffic pattern in front of the school building.

Proposed changes may include the following:

- The north entrance (near the playground) will only be used as an entrance
- Reduce speed to 5 mph while on school grounds
- Parents dropping off students will come in the north entrance and exit in the loop nearest Route 219. This roadway will be two way with buses using it in the AM and PM.
- The loop nearest the school will be one-way only with no cars allowed in that area in the AM (7:45-8:05 AM) and PM (2:45-3:05)
- Cars that park in the elementary parking lot must enter the north entrance
- Cars exiting the elementary parking lot will use either loop once buses are clear of the area

The board endorsed the plan and it will be initiated the week of November 17, 2008. Superintendent Ward, Principal's Miller and Pound and Mark Duerr will monitor the changes and traffic patterns, helping parents through the changes. Superintendent Ward and President McAndrew will work with Cattaraugus County to obtain new signs. Superintendent Ward will take care of meeting with the County and the ordering of new signs.

**Old Business**

None

**Committee Reports:**

Buildings, Grounds & Transportation Committees will have reports for the November 18th board meeting.

**Executive Session:**

Moved by Campbell, second by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent, to enter into executive session at 8:40 pm to discuss two personnel items.

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

Moved by Spell, second by Campbell to come out of executive session at 9:00 pm and return to the regular meeting.

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

**Adjournment of Meeting:**

Moved by Spell, second by Crowley to adjourn the special meeting of November 12, 2008 at 9:02 pm.

**Yes - 6  
No - 0  
Carried**

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Deputy District Clerk