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OFFICIAL MINUTES

Members Present: William Murphy, Debra Golley, Shana Chudy, Erin Cornelius,

Karl Northrup, Kristen Pearl, Robert Van Wicklin

Members Absent: None

Robert Miller, Melissa Sawicki, Aimee Kilby, Katie Mendell, Erich Ploetz **Staff Present:**

Staff Absent: None

Others Present: Leah Farnum, Caitlin Keller, Kathleen Weller, Dave McCann, Alice Alessi

Call to order of meeting

President Murphy called the regular meeting of April 18, 2023, of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 6:03 p.m. The Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

Roll Call

Debra Golley arrived at 6:05 pm

Changes, Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

Changes:

15. New Business

PROPOSITION NO. 2 - School Bus Lease

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District in the County of Cattaraugus, State of New York, is authorized to levy an additional (not to exceed) 62,675 to lease two one (1) 66 passenger IC/CE3102 school bus and

		one (1) 60+OWC passenger IC/CE3102 for each of the next five years (five annual
		payments) commencing with the 2023-2024 school year.
Additi	ons:	
15.	New 1	Business
	1.	Moved by, upon the recommendation
		of Robert Miller, Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the terms of the
		Memorandum of Agreement between the Ellicottville Central School District and the Ellicottville
		Teacher's Association, as presented to the board, which clarifies that references to "school nurse"
		in the CBA refer to RN's hired to fill RN positions and that nurses hired for LPN positions are
		properly placed in the Ellicottville Central School Related Personnel Association.
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		Teacher's Association, as presented to the Board which provides for compensation of Karl
		Schwartz and Melissa Reedy to teach an additional class period in accordance with the terms of
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		Memorandum of Agreement between the Ellicottville Central School District and the Ellicottville
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		teach classes in accordance with the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement.
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		Memorandum of Agreement between the Ellicottville Central School District and the Ellicottville
		Teacher's Association, as presented to the Board which provides for creation of SAT Prep Class
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		Agreement

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q.	Moved by, up of Robert Miller, Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby create the Assistant Principal in the tenure area of Assistant Principal.	on the recommendation position of K-12
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n.	Moved by, seconded by, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Benatovich to the substitute teacher list (certified) at a rate of \$125 per day April 19, 2023.	Katherine effective
0.	April 19, 2023. Moved by	ng, who is Initially ne Administrative – enure area for a 023 and end on 0 plus benefits ing Conditions
	rsonalized engraved wooden cell phone holders provided to Board Mem lby and Mrs. Sawicki by Ms. Deb McGowan and the creative crafts class	
	la by Pearl, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller t the agenda of the April 18, 2023, Board of Education Meeting with additio	

Debra Golley arrived at 6:05 pm

Public Comment

None

Presentations & Reports

Dave McCann, Athletic Director – thanked the Board of Education for approving the donation of softball dugouts from Sports Boosters. Mr. McCann stated that construction began this past weekend on the dugouts. Mr. McCann provided handouts of Section VI Classification Numbers for the 2023-2024 school year (based on BEDS Numbers). He stated that NYSPHSAA is adding a sixth classification AAA, which will consist of the 75 largest schools in New York State and then leaving the 100 smallest schools as Class D. Classification numbers change by sport. Mr. McCann stated that for next year, Ellicottville will be in Class D except for two sports, Boys and Girls Basketball. Shana Chudy stated that she felt this info should have been shared with the public when discussion were held regarding combining sports with Franklinville. She said that it would have made a difference in how she felt and how others felt about combining of sports. She stated that by combining with another school you widen the pool of athletes. Karl Northrup stated that maybe discussions need to be held for next year. Deb Golley stated that she did not feel the public would have felt differently as they expressed things were moving too fast. Erin Cornelius stated that it seems that discussions regarding combining need to happen before next January. President Murphy stated that discussions need to be held and decisions need to be made this summer.

Carried

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Communications, Commendations

None

Informational Items

None

Superintendent's Report - Robert Miller

- Elementary Enrollment doing well with numbers. We have a few additional students moving into district before the end of the year and will be finishing out the year at ECS. There are a few applications (non-resident) for next year. The number of non-resident applications is down this year for various reasons. Superintendent Miller stated that we (ECS) are going to embrace accepting students. There will be 2 less sections in the elementary (K-6 next year). Discussions have been held and one teacher will move to prek and one to a special ed classroom. We are holding our breath about the prek grant. New York State has not passed a budget and we are unsure where they are going with it.
- Working with Stark Technologies on emergency drills. Now that we have everything hooked up, we will have our last two lockdown drills. There will be a Tech here for the next drill to make sure everything is working correctly. Things may look a bit different. Superintendent Miller will make a to let parents know. He will also have teachers talk to students. Looking at the week of April 28th. We also have one fire drill left to complete.
- Caring Closet plans for a new room are on hold for a bit. Marc Waters is leaving, and we are also trying to fill a vacant cleaner position. Advisors are going on a fieldtrip to purchase totes and Tammy Peters will have items in her room just in case we hit a snag.
- Capital Project Fuel tanks have been installed. Still need lighting and electronics hooked up. The canopy framework over the cafeteria entrance is up. The exterior lower-level elementary doors have been ordered, but there is a six-month delay. The cost of the doors is \$18,000. The doors will be installed this summer.
- Flashing lights on 219 (Beacon Lights). We were working with a company in Buffalo but then switched to a local company. By working with the local company, we will be saving about \$4,000. We are still working on if we have to pay prevailing wage for the work on the lights.

Principals Reports:

Katie Mendell - Elementary Principal/Director of Curriculum

Mrs. Mendell stated that she did not have a formal report for the meeting.

- 1. Heavy focus for next year with a shift in staffing and moving of classrooms. We want to maximize
- Sensory Path (installed by CA BOCES) has been installed in the lower-level elementary hallway.
 Looking at next year and a shift in science. We did receive a shipment from Woz Ed and will
- intertwine with the BOCES kits.
- 4. State testing begins tomorrow (4/19/2023).

Erich Ploetz: MS/HS Principal - Absent

- 1. Wrapping up the 3rd quarter this week. 2 months to go until graduation.
- 2. May 20th Senior Prom @ EBC in Little Valley. June 7th Club Jazz.
- 3. Code of Conduct committee wrapping up work. In the next week or two suggestions will be given to board members regarding changes.
- 4. Regents Exams American History exam will begin on June 1st. Some students have been asking about grading and Regents Exams. The answer has been given that this is a standard year for Regent's exams, and they will count for 1/5 of the student's grade.
- 5. Spring Athletics have begun.
- 6. There is a good feeling in the building. We are in the home stretch.

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Consent Items:

Moved by Golley, seconded by Cornelius, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval to adopt the following Consent Agenda items:

- a. That the board approve the minutes of the meeting of March 28, 2023, and April 11, 2023
- b. Acknowledgement of the March 28, 2023 and April 11, 2023 Claims Auditor Reports
- c. Approval of the February 2023 Treasurers Reports

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Committee Reports:

None

Discussion Items:

Draft 2023/2024 School Year Calendar – a draft calendar was provided to Board Members. Superintendent Miller stated that the school year starts very early and ends very late. He stated that a draft of the calendar will be shared with the ETA and ECSRPA. The hope is to approve the calendar at the May 16, 2023 Board Meeting.

Draft Board Meeting Dates (2023-2024 School Year) –reviewed with the Board Members. If there are no concerns, the dates will be approved at the May 16, 2023 Board Meeting.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Moved by Van Wicklin, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the following resolution: to adopt the 2023-2024 Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming BOCES Administrative Budget.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Pearl, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the following resolution: The Ellicottville Central School District Board of Education casts its vote or votes in the annual election of members of the Board of Cooperative Education Services for the following persons indicated below:

Area 1 – Vacancy – 3 year term: Monica Acomb 1889 State Route 248A Whitesville, New York 14897

Area 4 – Vacancy – 3 year term: Candace Clemens 3523 Fortune Drive Allegany, New York 14706

Area 9 – Vacancy – 3 year term: Danielle O'Connor 2706 NY – 394 Ashville, New York 14710

<u>Discussion:</u> Debra Golley stated she asked Superintendent Miller to split the vote into 3 separate motions for the BOCES Board Vote. She stated that she questioned if it was legal for Danielle O'Connor to run for the Board. She stated that she did research and called NYSSBA and asked Bob Van Wicklin for his help and they learned it is legal for her to run, even though she does not live in the area that she would be representing. She stated that Ms. O'Connor is on the Randolph Academy Board which makes here eligible to be on the BOCES Board. Mrs. Golley stated that other School Boards will be having separate motions this evening when they vote. She stated that she really struggles with the fact that even though it is okay, is it right.

Motion by Golley, seconded by Chudy to split the vote into 3 separate motions.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

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Moved by Chudy, seconded by Van Wicklin, to cast a vote for:

Area 1 – Vacancy – 3 year term: Monica Acomb 1889 State Route 248A Whitesville, New York 14897

> Yes - 7No - 0Carried

Moved by Van Wicklin seconded by Golley, to cast a vote for:

Area 4 – Vacancy – 3 year term: Candace Clemens 3523 Fortune Drive Allegany, New York 14706

> Yes - 7No - 0Carried

Moved by Van Wicklin, seconded by Cornelius, to cast a vote for:

Area 9 – Vacancy – 3 year term: Danielle O'Connor 2706 NY - 394 Ashville, New York 14710

Yes – 2 (Van Wicklin, Murphy) No - 5 (Golley, Pearl, Cornelius, Chudy, Northrup) **Motion Failed**

Moved by Pearl, seconded by Golley, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the 2023-2024 School District budget notice to be mailed to district residents on May 10, 2023.

Yes - 7

No - 0

Carried

Moved by Van Wicklin, seconded by Golley, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of a transportation request to a non-public school (New Life Christian School - Olean, NY) for the 2023-2024 school year.

Yes - 7

No - 0

Carried

Moved by Pearl, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Ann Marie Fitzpatrick, Annie Fitzpatrick, Dlo Bickell and Eileen Hostuttler as inspectors for the May 16, 2023 Budget Vote & Board Member Election. Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Ms. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Bickell and Ms. Hotstuttler will each receive \$135 to serve as an inspector.

Yes - 7

No - 0

Carried

Moved by Golley, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Eileen Hostuttler as Chairperson for the May 16, 2023 Budget Vote & Board Member Election.

Yes - 7

No - 0

Carried

Moved by Chudy, seconded by Cornelius, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the revised (CAP) corrective action plan letters for the 2021-2022 External Audit and the 2021-2022 Student Activities Audit.

Yes - 7

No - 0

Carried

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Moved by Golley, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of an MOA with ECSRPA (Ellicottville Central School Related Professional Association) regarding Transportation for the Class of 2023 Senior Trip.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Pearl, seconded by Golley, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the following SEQRA Resolution: WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District will be considering a proposition to undertake the 2023-2024 Capital Outlay Project consisting of an exterior Loading Dock canopy at the School building; and WHEREAS, the proposed elements of the 2023-2024 Capital Outlay Project are routine activities of an educational institution for the purpose of maintenance or repair of existing structures and facilities; replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind; and/or routine activities of educational institutions including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 feet of gross floor area; and WHEREAS, such actions are deemed, pursuant to the regulations adopted by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, to be "Type II" actions and are not subject to the requirements of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act; Now Therefore It Is Resolved, that the proposed proposition is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c) and that review pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act is not necessary.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Golley, seconded by Cornelius, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of a transportation agreement for homeless children for \$831.20 commencing on April 19, 2023 and continuing through and including June 22, 2023.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the following propositions to be put before District Voters on Tuesday, May 16, 2023:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 - Basic Budget

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 \$14,906,437 for the 2023/2024 school year budget.

The Basic Budget will provide funds for all of the educationally related services and the maintenance of our school building.

PROPOSITION NO. 2 – School Bus Lease

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District in the County of Cattaraugus, State of New York, is authorized to levy an additional (not to exceed) \$62,675 to lease one (1) 66 passenger IC/CE3102 school bus and one (1) 60+OWC passenger IC/CE3102 for each of the next five years (five annual payments) commencing with the 2023-2024 school year.

Proposition NO. 3 - ELLICOTTVILLE MEMORIAL LIBRARY TAX

RESOLVED: Shall the proposition be approved authorizing the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District to levy taxes annually in the amount of \$75,000 and to pay over such monies to the trustees of the Ellicottville Memorial Library.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

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Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Golley, seconded by Chudy, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Ellicottville Central School District and the Ellicottville Central School Related Professionals' Association, as presented to the board, which clarifies that nurses hired for LPN positions are properly placed in the Ellicottville Central School Related Personnel Association.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Pearl, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Ellicottville Central School District and the Ellicottville Teacher's Association, as presented to the Board which provides for compensation of Karl Schwartz and Melissa Reedy to teach an additional class period in accordance with the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Golley, seconded by Van Wicklin, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Ellicottville Central School District and the Ellicottville Teacher's Association, as presented to the Board which provides for Principal Erich Ploetz to teach classes in accordance with the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Chudy, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Ellicottville Central School District and the Ellicottville Teacher's Association, as presented to the Board which provides for creation of SAT Prep Class teachers and The Caring Closet Advisor in accordance with the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Van Wicklin, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby create the position of K-12 Assistant Principal in the tenure area of Assistant Principal.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Personnel:

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Pearl, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval to accept a letter of resignation from Jaimee Hanner effective at the end of the day on April 13, 2023.

Yes – 7 No – 0 Carried

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Moved by Northrup, seconded by Golley, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Bryce Sherrard as a pitch count keeper for baseball for the 2022-2023 school year at \$37 per game.

Yes - 7 No - 0

Carried

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Golley, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Nakida Redeye to the position of Part-Time Teacher Assistant effective retroactive to April 11, 2023, at a pro-rated salary of \$3,717.00 plus benefits as outlined in the current ETA Contract for the 2022-2023 school year. This position carries a four-year probationary period which will begin on April 11, 2023, and end on April 11, 2027.

Yes - 7 No - 0

Carried

Moved by Golley, seconded by Van Wicklin, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval to terminate the employment of Sherry Harrington (p/t cafeteria worker) effective March 29, 2023.

Yes – 7

No - 0

Carried

Moved by Van Wicklin, seconded by Golley, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Mark J. Ward as an interim K-12 Assistant Principal for 20 days beginning approximately 4/24/23 and ending on approximately 6/2/2023.

Yes - 7

No - 0

Carried

Moved by Chudy, seconded by Golley, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Michaela Pierce to the substitute teacher list (non-certified) at a rate of \$105 per day. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

Yes - 7

No - 0

Carried

Moved by Golley, seconded by Pearl, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Harley Ficek to the substitute teacher aide list at a rate of \$15.00 per hour. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

Yes - 7

No – 0 Carried

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Pearl, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Chelsey Nelson to the substitute cafeteria worker list at a rate of \$15.00 per hour effective retroactive to April 17, 2023.

Yes - 7

No - 0

Carried

Moved by Pearl, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Harley Ficek as a volunteer for softball for the 2022-2023 school year (pending SAVE completion).

Yes - 7

No - 0

Carried

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Moved by Golley, seconded by Cornelius, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval to accept a letter of resignation from Marc Waters (Sr. Maintenance Mechanic) effective at the end of the day on May 7, 2023.

No - 0 Carried

Moved by Chudy, seconded by Van Wicklin, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Jaimee Hanner to the substitute cleaner list effective retroactive to April 17, 2023 at a rate of \$15.02 per hour.

No – 0 Carried

Moved by Golley, seconded by Chudy, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Hannah Aiello to the substitute teacher list (non-certified) at a rate of \$105 per day. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Peggy Peffer to the position of part-time cafeteria worker effective tentatively May 1, 2023 at a rate of \$15.00 per hour. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Golley, seconded by Pearl, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Katherine Benatovich to the substitute teacher list (certified) at a rate of \$125 per day effective April 19, 2023.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Moved by Chudy, seconded by Van Wicklin, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, the Ellicottville Central School District Board of Education does hereby appoint Karl Gesing, who is Initially certified in the Administrative – SBL area and Professionally certified in the Administrative – SDL area, to the position of Assistant Principal in the Assistant Principal tenure area for a probationary term of four years to commence on approximately May 22, 2023 and end on approximately May 22, 2027. Mr. Gesing shall receive a salary of \$70,000 plus benefits (prorated for the 2022/2023 school year), as outlined in his Terms & Working Conditions Agreement. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

Yes – 7 No – 0 Carried

Policy

None

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CSE/CPSE Recommendations

Moved by Golley, seconded by Cornelius, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, 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 (#900501229, 900501362, 900501503, 900501344, 900501315, 900501229, 900501137, 900500101, 900500149, 900501515, 900501261, 900500463, 900501489, 900501483, 900501036) at its meeting on April 18, 2023, and approves all necessary arrangements as the most reasonable and appropriate special service(s) and/or program(s) for the implementation of those recommendations March 17 – April 11, 2023.

Yes - 7 No - 0 Carried

Deputy District Clerk

Executive Session

Adjournment of Meeting

Moved by Golley, seconded by Chudy, to adjourn the regular meeting of April 18, 2023, at 7:46 p.m.

Yes - 7
No - 0
Carried

District Clerk