

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Ellicottville Central School**

**Regular Meeting/Budget Worksession  
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**Sht. No. 1999  
March 12, 2024**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

<b>Members Present:</b>	Debra Golley, Kristen Pearl, Shana Chudy, William Murphy, Karl Northrup, Jenna O’Connell
<b>Members Absent:</b>	None
<b>Staff Present:</b>	Robert Miller, Aimee Kilby
<b>Staff Absent:</b>	Katie Mendell, Erich Ploetz, Melissa Sawicki
<b>Others Present:</b>	Schavon Byroads, William Benatovich

**Call to order of meeting**  
President Golley called the regular meeting/budget worksession of March 12, 2024, of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

**Roll Call**  
All present

**Changes, Additions and Deletions to the Agenda**  
None

**Approve Agenda**  
Moved by Pearl, seconded by O’Connell, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the agenda of March 12, 2024, Board of Education Meeting.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

- Public Comment**
- The Public Comment section is a time set aside for the community to speak directly to the Board of Education.
  - Please refer to Policy # 3220 – Public Expression at Meetings.
  - Any person may make a public comment by placing their name, address, and topic on the sign-in sheet.
  - When called, please stand up and state your name and address.
  - Please be respectful in your comments and do not divulge any personal or confidential information. The speaker will be stopped if any Board member or district employee is mentioned by name.
  - Please demonstrate respect by speaking to the issues, sharing ideas and opinions, but not engaging in personal attacks. At a public Board meeting, no person may orally initiate charges or complaints against individual District employees or Board members.
  - Board members, the superintendent and administrators will not answer specific questions or engage in dialogue.
  - The information shared will be carefully considered and the appropriate person may contact you.
  - Rest assured, we are listening carefully, and take seriously what you have to say.
  - The Board appreciates your willingness to share your concerns/celebrations.

**Public Comment:**  
None

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**Discussion Items:**

**2024-2025 School Year Budget:** Superintendent Miller and Mrs. Kilby have been working on the budget and looking at state aid numbers, expenditures and the tax levy. Superintendent Miller and Mrs. Kilby discussed the need to possibly go over the Tax Cap in the 2024-2025 budget.

**Executive Session**

The New York Public Officers Law states a board may enter into executive session to discuss:

1. Matters which will imperil the public safety if disclosed.
2. Any matter which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer.
3. Information relating to current or future investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed.
4. Proposed, pending or current litigation.
5. Collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law).
6. The medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.
7. The preparation, grading or administration of examinations.
8. The proposed acquisition, sale, or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value of the property.

**Executive Session**

Moved by Pearl, seconded by Northrup, to move into Executive Session at 6:54 p.m. for the purpose of:

5. Collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law).
6. The medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Pearl, to come out of Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. and return to the regular meeting.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

**Adjournment of Meeting**

Moved by Chudy, seconded by O’Connell, to adjourn the regular meeting/budget worksession of March 12, 2024, at 7:50 p.m.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

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District Clerk

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Deputy District Clerk