

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Ellicottville Central School**

**Regular Meeting  
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**Sht. No. 1970  
May 17, 2022**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Robert Van Wicklin, Leonard Zlockie, Erin Cornelius,  
Debra Golley, Karl Northrup, William Murphy

**Members Absent:** Shana Chudy

**Staff Present:** Robert Miller, Melissa Sawicki, Aimee Kilby, Maren Bush, Erich Ploetz

**Staff Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Lola Shaw, Mark Shaw

**Call to order of meeting**

President Van Wicklin called the regular meeting of May 17, 2022, of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 8:04 p.m. The Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

**Roll Call**

Shana Chudy - absent

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

Additions:

16. New Business
- c. Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of an MOA with the ETA (Ellicottville Teachers Association) regarding amending the donation of sick days for the 2021/2022 school year.
  - d. Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of an MOA with the ETA (Ellicottville Teachers Association) regarding amending substitute coverage for the 2021/2022 school year retroactive to May 5, 2022.
17. Personnel
- d. Add to motion: This position carries a one-year probationary period which will begin on May 9, 2022 and end on May 9, 2023.
  - l. Add to motion: Jody Maynard and Chery O'Brien (substitute bus monitors) at their regular hourly salary.
  - m. Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Tamra McKale to the substitute teacher list (non-certified) at a rate of \$115 per day. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.
  - n. Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Nathaniel Whitsell to the substitute cleaner list @ a rate of \$13.20 per hour. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.
  - o. Moved by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of a Paid Family Medical Leave of Absence (Intermittent) for Shannon Palmatier from May 5, 2022 – June 24, 2022.

**Approve Agenda**

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Golley, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the agenda of the May 17, 2022, Board of Education Meeting with additions.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

**Public Comment**

None

**Presentations & Reports**

None

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**Communications, Commendations**

None

**Informational Items**

None

**Superintendent's Report – Robert Miller**

1. SRO – talks continue with the Town of Ellicottville regarding an SRO. The hope is to have an SRO for the 10-month school year with hopes of the person starting in September 2022. The Board would like Superintendent Miller to be involved with the interview process to ensure that the person is a good fit.
2. ECS voted “No” to Section VI request to pay for appeals. ECS was in the minority, so will still have to pay for appeals.
3. APPR – not required this year, bill signed on Sunday night. Districts still have to report what has been completed. The Board suggested still doing evals on non-tenured staff.
4. CTLE – PDP must be approved by the end of the school year, will be done for June meeting. Filed waiver for ELL (English Language Learners).
5. Reports – new reports required for ARP funds due by July 1<sup>st</sup>.
6. Olean Times Herald article was not entirely correct (regarding budget vote).
7. End of School Year – ½ days will be Tuesday, June 21, 2022; Wednesday, June 22, 2022 and Thursday, June 23, 2022 for student's grades Prek-6<sup>th</sup>.
8. Shoutout to Maren & Erich for keeping the school open. On May 13<sup>th</sup> we had 31 staff out. They are extremely dedicated to ensuring the building is staffed and open each day.

**Principals Reports:**

Erich Ploetz: MS/HS Principal - excused

1. 5-week progress reports will be mailed this week.
2. Early administration of the U.S. History Regents Exam will be on Wednesday, June 1, 2022 in all Districts.
3. Middle School finals will be last few days of the year.
4. Remaining Regents exams will begin on Wednesday, June 15, 2022.
5. Congratulations to Elsa Woodarek – ECS Big 30 Nominee
6. Successful Senior Trip to Ocean City, Maryland
7. 5/24 Academic Banquet
- 6/1 Chorus Concert
- 6/2 Band Concert
- 6/3 Darien Lake Trip
- 6/6 Athletic Banquet
- 6/8 Club Jazz
- 6/18 Prom
- 6/24 Commencement

Maren Bush: Elementary Principal/Director of Curriculum

1. Curriculum and Instruction Update: Phonographix Training, Mosaic of Thought Training, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Performance Assessment
2. Upcoming Events:

A King and Princess Ball	Friday, May 20, 2022
Dime Carnival	Friday, June 10, 2022
Book Fair	Thursday, June 9, 2022 – Friday, June 10, 2022
Field Day	Tuesday, June 21, 2022 (8:30 – 10:15 am)

**School Business Executive Report: Aimee Kilby**

No Report

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**Consent Items:**

Moved by Northrup, seconded by Murphy, 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 April 19, 2022 and May 10, 2022
- b. Acknowledgement of the April 26, 2022 and May 12, 2022 Claims Auditor Reports
- c. Approval of the February 2022 and March 2022 Treasurer's Reports

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

**Committee Reports:**

Buildings, Grounds & Transportation: Capital Project Updates

Phase I just about wrapped up. Working on punch list for Phase I. 3<sup>rd</sup> party review done for elementary flooring. Waiting to hear from New York State. Anticipate elementary flooring will be installed in July. Rest of Phase II includes new playground surface, gas tanks and canopy over the loading dock.

**Discussion Items:**

None

**Old Business:**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Golley, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of the 2022-2023 School District Calendar.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

**New Business:**

Moved by Northrup, seconded by Cornelius, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Courtney Sexton (Keuka College) to do a Field Period of Observation (140 hours) with Mrs. Reedy (Math) beginning tentatively May 18, 2022.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Golley, seconded by Cornelius, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval to accept the results of the May 17, 2022, Budget Vote & Board Member Election results:

***BASIC BUDGET - 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 \$14,325,144 for the 2022/2023 school year budget.

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

**YES\_140\_      NO\_36\_**

***SCHOOL BUS LEASE - Proposition #2***

**RESOLVED:** This proposition will authorize the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District in the County of Cattaraugus, State of New York, to levy an additional (not to exceed) \$41,600 to lease 2 (two) 66 passenger IC school buses for each of the next five years (five annual payments) commencing with the 2022/2023 school year.

**YES\_150\_      NO\_27\_**

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***Proposition #3***

**PURCHASE OF SCHOOL BUSES AND RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR USE  
IN THE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (USING MONIES ALREADY  
ON HAND IN THE TRANSPORTATION RESERVE FUND)**

**RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District, Cattaraugus County, New York (the "District") be, and it hereby is, authorized to purchase one or more school buses and related equipment at a maximum aggregate cost of \$70,000 (utilizing funds that are currently on hand in the District's Transportation Reserve Fund), with the understanding that (i) the exact number and configuration(s) and cost(s) of such bus(es) are to be determined in light of the District's final transportation program requirements for the coming school year (which will not be known until after the necessary arrangements for special education students have been finalized) and (ii) if less than \$70,000 proves to be necessary, then the remaining authorized amount shall not be expended, but instead shall remain in the Transportation Reserve Fund for future use.

**YES 157 NO 22**

***BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER ELECTION***

The candidate receiving the highest number of votes will serve a five-year term, beginning on July 1, 2022 and expiring on June 30, 2027.

**Vote for ONE (1) (Please check):**

**108 Kristen Pearl**

**59 Mark Shaw**

**Ed Doherty (1) (*Write-in Candidate*)  
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**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of an MOA with the ETA (Ellicottville Teachers Association) regarding amending the donation of sick days for the 2021/2022 school year.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of an MOA with the ETA (Ellicottville Teachers Association) regarding amending substitute coverage for the 2021/2022 school year retroactive to May 5, 2022.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

**Personnel:**

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Wendy Regan as the Jazz Chorus advisor for the 2021-2022 school year (retroactive to January 4, 2022).

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Golley, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Brooke Eddy to the substitute teacher list (non-certified) at a rate of \$95.00 per day retroactive to May 2, 2022. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

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Moved by Murphy, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval to accept a letter of resignation from Tabitha Fisher as a P/T LPN (bus run) effective May 11, 2022.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Golley, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of John Ireland to the position of full-time cleaner effective retroactive to May 9, 2022 at a rate of \$13.20 per hour. This position is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State. This position carries a one-year probationary period which will begin on May 9, 2022 and end on May 9, 2023.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of John Ireland to the substitute bus monitor list effective retroactive to May 4, 2022 at a rate of \$13.20 per hour. This position is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Golley, seconded by Murphy, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of an MOA with the ETA regarding chaperones for Track for the 2021-2022 school year retroactive to May 5, 2022.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Andrew Kruszka to the substitute teacher list (certified) at a rate of \$115.00 per day effective retroactive to May 9, 2022.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Andrew Kruszka as a long-substitute teacher at a rate of \$150.00 per day effective retroactive to May 16, 2022.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Golley, seconded by Cornelius, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Lacey Johnson to the substitute teacher list (non-certified) effective retroactive to May 13, 2022 at a rate of \$95.00 per day. This position is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Murphy, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Abaigeal Donoghue to the substitute teacher list (non-certified) effective retroactive to May 13, 2022 at a rate of \$95.00 per day. This position is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

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Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Golley, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Danielle Dallas to the substitute cleaner list @ a rate of \$13.20 per hour. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Brooke Eddy, Courtney Sexton, Lacey Johnson and Abaigeal Donoghue as substitute bus monitors at a rate of \$13.20 per hour, and Jody Maynard & Cheryl O'Brien at their regular hourly rate, effective retroactive to May 13, 2022.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Golley, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Tamra McKale to the substitute teacher list (non-certified) at a rate of \$115 per day. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Cornelius, seconded by Murphy, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Nathaniel Whitsell to the substitute cleaner list @ a rate of \$13.20 per hour. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Northrup, upon the recommendation of Robert Miller, Superintendent of Schools, approval of a Paid Family Medical Leave of Absence (Intermittent) for Shannon Palmatier from May 5, 2022 – June 24, 2022.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

**Policy**

None

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**Executive Session**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Northrup, to move into Executive Session at 8:37 pm to discuss collective bargaining pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

Moved by Golley, seconded by Northrup, 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 Murphy, seconded by Zlockie, to adjourn the regular meeting May 17, 2022, at 9:00 p.m.

**Yes – 6  
No – 0  
Carried**

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District Clerk

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Deputy District Clerk