

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
Ellicottville Central School**

**Regular Meeting
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**Sht. No. 1821
September 8, 2015**

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Members Present: Carl Calarco, Connie Hellwig, Nicole Klein, William Murphy, Roger Spell, James Wiley, Leonard Zlockie

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Mark Ward, Melissa Sawicki, Aimee Kilby, Robert Miller, Connie Poulin

Staff Absent: None

Others Present: Jann Wiswall (Eville Times), Sharon Turano (The Villager)

Call to order of meeting

President Calarco called the regular meeting of September 8, 2015 of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 7:32 p.m. The pledge to the flag of the United States was recited.

Roll Call

All Present

Changes, Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

None

Statements and questions from the audience (Public Comment)

None

Approve Agenda

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Murphy, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve the agenda for the September 8, 2015 Board of Education meeting with the addition of an executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss a personnel matter.

**Yes – 7
No – 0
Carried**

Presentations & Reports

None

Communications, Commendations

- a. Capital Project Update – A lot of little things going on. Display cases in hallway – trim has been changed to oak to match the other cases. The installation of the gym wall pads will begin tomorrow. Superintendent Ward stated that he authorized the purchase of pads to go along the chairs (bleachers) when they are pushed back. This will both protect the students and the chairs when they are not in use. The estimated cost of the padding is \$5,000-\$6,000. Superintendent Ward stated that the wood around the stage area is not solid cherry and should have protection in some way from gym classes, basketballs, softballs, baseballs, etc. He stated that an estimated cost (which is just a ballpark figure would be around \$15,000). He stated that the curtain would be heavy enough to absorb a hit. Superintendent Ward will email board members with more information and cost figures. He asked board members to email him back as to whether or not they are in favor of the purchase (once they receive the information). Installation will begin on the weight room floor tomorrow. The machines will be installed on Monday – Wednesday of next week. The flooring people will begin installing the eagles at the entrances of the gym. This will be done during an evening shift. The glass sides will be installed on the new back parking lot entrance. The new lights have been installed in the foyer with smaller matching ones in the stairwells to the stage. The last seal of the gym floor will be completed on Friday (allowing it time to dry over the weekend).

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Informational Items

- a. APPR Negotiations – Superintendent Ward stated that he has spoken with Kim Woodarek, ETA President and they are keeping an eye on the language. He stated that ultimately the district may ask for a waiver. He added that the district needs to address APPR regarding Bob and Connie. He stated that the district needs to make sure they handle them fairly as well.

Superintendent's Report

- a. NYSSBA Conference (October 17-20 in New York City) – will be making a presentation on “Key to Combining Athletic Programs.”
- b. Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – Sunday, September 20, 2015 @ 2 pm. Bills game will be on the big screen in gym (multi use facility). Light refreshments will be served. There will be guest speakers.
- c. Opening Day of School 2015 handout: Discussed Strategic Planning, Curriculum & Development, Explore & Appreciate New Facilities
- d. Technology
- e. Smart School Grant

Consent Items

Moved by Klein, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools:

- a. That the board approve the minutes of the meetings of August 25, 2015
- b. Acknowledgement of the August 26, 2015 Claims Auditor Report

**Yes – 7
No – 0
Carried**

Committee Reports

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Moved by Hellwig, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of New Perspectives Microsoft Office 2013 Enhanced Edition for the Business Computer Applications Course.

Discussion: Superintendent Ward stated that he would like to have a discussion regarding the district paying for students to take college courses and paying for their books. Bob Miller will compile information for the board regarding the number of courses offered, the cost of each course, the cost of books and the number of students currently enrolled in each course. This information will be given to board members at the September 22, 2015 board meeting.

**Yes – 7
No – 0
Carried**

Personnel

Moved by Spell, seconded by Zlockie, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, approval of Kimberly Bliss to the full-time position of cleaner effective retroactive to August 31, 2015. Mrs. Bliss shall receive a salary of \$10.00 per hour for the 2015-2016 school year. This position carries a one year probationary period beginning on August 31, 2015 and ending on August 30, 2016. This appointment is contingent upon a successful fingerprint clearance from New York State.

**Yes – 7
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Principals Reports

Connie Poulin – Elementary Principal/CSE-CPSE Chairperson

1. Copies of letters teachers sent home to students
2. Strategic Planning Update (Community Survey, Staff Survey, Student Survey)
3. Elementary Faculty Meeting Agenda (September 2, 2015)

Robert Miller – MS/HS Principal

1. 2015-2016 School Year off to a great start
2. Opening of School Assembly (Wednesday, September 9, 2015 for MS students at 12:30 pm and HS students at 8:15 am).
3. National Merit Scholarship (based on PSAT) – Kaleigh Hunt has been named a semi-finalist. Only 16,000 students (approximately 1/3 of 50,000 high scorers qualify as semifinalists).
4. Senior Class Leadership
5. 2015-2016 APPR
6. 8 or 9 students taking JCC US History with Allegany/Limestone for college credit.
7. Cathie Nason and Dan LaCroix collaborating on Home & Careers keyboarding for 8th graders. This will build on what Dan teaches to 6th graders.
8. Football team beat Randolph 32-12 last Friday night.

Policies

None

Discussion Items:

None

Executive Session

Moved by Spell, seconded by Zlockie to enter into executive session at 9:25 pm to discuss a personnel matter.

**Yes - 7
No - 0
Carried**

Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Murphy to come out of executive session at 11:01 pm and return to the regular meeting.

**Yes - 7
No - 0
Carried**

Adjournment of Meeting

Moved by Hellwig, seconded by Klein, to adjourn the regular meeting of September 8, 2015 at 11:02 p.m.

**Yes - 7
No - 0
Carried**

District Clerk

Deputy District Clerk