

**ELMIRA HEIGHTS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ELMIRA HEIGHTS, NEW YORK**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Education Meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by President, Harry Blish, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Harry Blish, Christopher Callas, Harvey Harris, Joseph Sullivan, Andrew Willard, Kristen Wolowitz(7:15pm)

**MEMBERS ABSENT** Michael Lepak,

**OTHERS PRESENT** Mary Beth Fiore, Jason Rosno, Sandy Ruffo(NYSSBA Area 4 Director), Tom Boyanowski, Carina Ball, Ronald Ball

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES**

**Agenda:**

A motion was made by Joseph Sullivan seconded by Christopher Callas and carried 5-0 to approve the March 26, 2015 Board of Education Meeting Agenda.

**Minutes:**

March 19, 2015 Regular Meeting- A motion was made by Joseph Sullivan seconded by Harvey Harris and carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2015 Regular Meeting.

**Order of Business:**

A motion was made by Joseph Sullivan, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 5-0 to suspend the regular order of business to accommodate guests, special discussion topics and presentations in an order of business as deemed appropriate.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND STAFF**

Mary Beth Fiore - Superintendent ♦Welcome to our guest Sandy Ruffo, NYSSBA Area 4 Director ♦State Budget – lots of rumors and rumblings coming out of Albany - it is a Waiting Game

Tom Boyanowski – High School Principal ♦Busy time of year – continue to work on scheduling, scholarship options and summer school ♦Graduation – there are 8-10 students on the “watch list” ♦Spring Sports – athletes are looking forward to getting outside

Jason Rosno – Business Manager ♦will defer to the Budget Development section of the meeting

Guest – Sandy Ruffo, NYSSBA Area 4 Director ♦Ms. Ruffo thanked Ms. Fiore and the Board for welcoming her. ♦She is trying to make herself visible in the Districts she represents and to inform them that there many services NYSSBA offers that she hopes the Board will take advantage of ♦In response to the Board’s concern of the weekday dates of the NYSSBA conference in NYC, she stated that she understood and that after this fall in NYC, the conference will be in Buffalo the next year and Lake Placid the following

Staff/Public Comments – ♦Carina Ball had some comments and questions regarding the consolidation study

**PERSONNEL**

A motion was made by Andrew Willard seconded by Kristen Wolowitz and carried 6-0 to approve the following consent personnel items F-1a through F1b. Be it further resolved that upon receipt of final clearance from the State Education Department, any conditional appointments shall be changed to regular appointments, reflecting the effective date of said Board meeting.

**F-1 Appointments**

**a. Substitutes – for the 2014-15 school – approved**

**Substitute Teachers** Bryan Gilbert

**Substitute Support Staff** Bryan Gilbert

**b. Student Teacher - acknowledged**

The Board acknowledged Elmira College Student, Ms. Stephanie Tock as a student teacher under the direction and cooperation of Ms. Kerry Johnson, an Elementary Teacher in the subject area of math at Cohen Middle School, for the period of April 21, 2015 through May 27, 2015.

**FINANCIAL**

**G-1 Budget Status Report - as of March 19, 2015- acknowledged**

A motion was made by Joseph Sullivan, seconded by Harvey Harris and carried 6-0 to acknowledge the budget status report as of March 19, 2015.

**G-2 Treasurer’s Report (January 2015) - acknowledged**

A motion was made by Andrew Willard, seconded by Kristen Wolowitz and carried 6-0 to acknowledge the Treasurer’s report for January 2015.

**G-3 Investment Report**

No Report

**G-4 Claims Auditor Report (January 2015) - acknowledged**

A motion was made by Andrew Willard, seconded by Joseph Sullivan and carried 6-0 to acknowledge the Claims Auditor Report for January 2015.

**G-5 Extra-Classroom Report (January 2015) - acknowledged**

A motion was made by Christopher Callas, seconded by Harvey Harris and carried 6-0 to acknowledge the Extra-Classroom Report for January 2015.

**FACILITIES**

No Report

**OLD BUSINESS**

No Items

**NEW BUSINESS**

***Polling Hours***

See action under discussion

**CONSENT**

A motion was made by Harvey Harris, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 6-0 to approve the following consent agenda items K-1 through K-2.

**K-1 Lunch Price Increase 2015-16 - approved**

Approved the recommendation to increase the 2015-16 Lunch/Breakfast prices by \$.10/meal in accordance with Paid Lunch Equity Guidelines as follows:

	2014-15	2015-16
Cohen Lunch Price	\$1.40	<b>\$1.50</b>
TAE Lunch Price	\$1.60	<b>\$1.70</b>
Breakfast Price - All Levels	\$1.25	<b>\$1.35</b>
A la carte snacks	\$ .75	<b>\$ .75</b>

**K-2 Donation – Class of 2010 \$3,309.45 (for athletics - accepted)**

The Board, accepted with thanks and appreciation, a donation of \$3,309.45 from the Class of 2010 to support various athletic needs in the District.

**DISCUSSION**

**N-1 2015-16 Budget Development** - Presentation by Jason Rosno and Superintendent Fiore

**N1a - Polling Hours – change – new hours 7am – 8pm**

A motion was made by Joseph Sullivan, seconded by Harvey Harris and carried 6-0 to set the polling hours for the Annual Meeting and Election for the Elmira Heights Central School District from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm.

**N-2 Feasibility Study Update:** Community Forums to be scheduled

Current information is posted on the website. Committee is definitely struggling with the use/disuse of TAE

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 8:09pm a motion was made by Andrew Willard, seconded by Joseph Sullivan and carried 6-0 to enter executive session to discuss personnel, and negotiations.

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 8:28pm a motion was made by Harvey Harris, seconded by Christopher Callas and carried 6-0 to adjourn executive session

**DISCUSSION - continued**

**Sports** - Board inquired about progress of spring sports and update on track participation.

**NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday April 7, 2015	GST BOCES Annual Meeting	Coopers Campus
Thursday April 9, 2015	7:00 pm Budget Adoption (if completed)	TAE Community Room

**ADJOURNMENT** – At 8:39pm a motion was made Christopher Callas, seconded by Joseph Sullivan and carried 6-0 to adjourn the meeting.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk