

**Board of Education  
Regular Meeting**

**Minutes April 9, 2015**

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

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Education Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, Harry Blish, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Harry Blish, Christopher Callas, Michael Lepak, Joseph Sullivan, Andrew Willard, Kristen Wolowitz

**MEMBERS ABSENT** Harvey Harris

**OTHERS PRESENT** Mary Beth Fiore, Jason Rosno, Tom Boyanowski, Dawn Hanrahan, Andy Lutz, Mike Coghlan, Dave Adams, Barb Day, Carol Sullivan, Colleen Dengler

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES**

**Agenda:**

A motion was made by Michael Lepak seconded by Christopher Callas and carried 6-0 to approve the April 9, 2015 Board of Education Meeting Agenda.

**Minutes:**

March 26, 2015 Regular Meeting- A motion was made by Kristen Wolowitz seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 6-0 to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2015 Regular Meeting.

**Order of Business:**

A motion was made by Andrew Willard, seconded by Joseph Sullivan and carried 6-0 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 ♦Budget will be finalized tonight – State Budget has some tie ins and changes that will impact areas such as APPR and Tenure ♦State Testing – several opt-out requests have been received – policy and laws will be followed relative to procedure. ♦Mapping discrepancy – the School District Line in one area of Big Flats Town will remain as originally mapped – discrepancy was a result of maps being digitized.

Andy Lutz, Elementary Principal ♦State Testing coming up – it consumes a great deal of time to prepare ♦April 28 is Family Literacy Night – Subject revolves around bees ♦3<sup>rd</sup> marking period ends next week ♦April 30 is parent/teacher conferences

Dawn Hanrahan, Middle School Principal/CSE Chair ♦Preparing to State Testing ♦Special Education Audit. –exit interview complete with recommendations and have met with BOCES to update behavior education plan used by all districts

Tom Boyanowski – High School Principal ♦Spartan PBIS – weekly Bingo card – some students have already become eligible for awards ♦Next year – met to plan for special education needs at TAE ♦Summer School – there will not be an area ceremony so hope to have a special event for our students that complete requirements for graduation

Jason Rosno – Business Manager ♦Finally received figures from the State, so we will see that impacts the budget in the presentation later

**PERSONNEL**

A motion was made by Andrew Willard seconded by Kristen Wolowitz and carried 6-0 to approve the following consent item F-1a:

**Appointment**

**a. Poll Workers & Substitute Workers– for the May 19, 2015 Annual Meeting/Budget Vote - approved**

The Board approved the following poll workers and substitute poll workers for the May 19, 2015 Annual Meeting:

**Chairman:** Kenneth Erickson **Chief Inspector –** Kris Manns

**Inspectors and Clerks-** Sue Blish, Bonnie Campbell, Wendy Carroll, Millie Cheplick, Charles Clemens, Jan Clemens, Fran Juriga, Gail Legge, Mary Moore, Liz O'Brien, Marian Oldroyd, Bonnie Perry, Peg Ridosh, Lola Sherman, Sharon Shutt, Beverly Spencer

**FINANCIAL**

No Items

**FACILITIES**

No Report

**OLD BUSINESS**

No Items

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Capital Outlay Project Bid –Award**

A motion was made by Joseph Sullivan, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 6-0 to award John Mills Electric, Inc. as the successful contract bidder for the Elmira Heights Central School District Capital Outlay Project for a base bid amount of \$106,400.

### **Proposition Number 1 – (Budget)**

A motion was made by Joseph Sullivan, and seconded by Christopher Callas to approve the following budget resolution and the corresponding property tax report card.

Shall the following proposition be adopted, to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed budget of \$20,613,622. of the Elmira Heights Central School District for 2015-2016 be approved in accordance with Section 2022 of the Education Law and that the balance of said budget after applying available public moneys thereto be raised by a tax upon the taxable property of said District.

**After a thorough presentation and discussion - the vote was 6-0 to approve the motion.**

## **CONSENT**

A motion was made by Andrew Willard, seconded by Joseph Sullivan and carried 6-0 to approve the following consent agenda item K-1.

### **K-1 CSE Recommendations and Funding - approved**

Approved recommendations and funds to support placements for determinations made at the March 20, 23, 24, 2015 CSE meetings.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **2015-16 Budget Development –**

Presentation by Business Manager, Jason Rosno and Superintendent Fiore and discussion was done under new business Proposition item.

### **Changes in Education Law:**

Will have much work to do with the changes that the state included with the passing of the budget.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 7:42pm a motion was made by Andrew Willard, seconded by Kristen Wolowitz and carried 6-0 to enter executive session to discuss personnel, negotiations, legal matter and student issue.

## **ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 8:30pm a motion was made by Christopher Callas, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 6-0 to adjourn executive session.

## **NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday April 22, 2015 7:00 pm TAE Community Room Regular Meeting – BOCES Administrative Budget Vote –

**ADJOURNMENT** – At 8:30pm a motion was made Joseph Sullivan, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 6-0 to adjourn the meeting.

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Clerk