

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

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:04 p.m. on March 11, 2026, by President Joseph Sullivan followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Members Present: Christopher Callas, Terry Day, Michael Lepak, Dominic Lucarelli, Joseph Sullivan, Mikki Yesesky, Jordan Elliott (Student)

Member Absent:

Others Present: Michael Gill, Martha Clark

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

Agenda – A motion was made by Chris Callas, seconded by Mike Lepak, and carried 6-0 to approve the agenda of the March 11, 2026 Board of Education Regular meeting.

Minutes – A motion was made by Terry Day, seconded Dominic Lucarelli, and carried 6-0 to approve the minutes of the following Board of Education Meetings: March 4, 2026 Board of Education Regular Meeting

Order of Business

A motion was made by Dominic Lucarelli, seconded by Chris Callas, 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

Mike Gill - Superintendent ♦ Spring Sports season started this week. ♦ Last weekend—congrats to cast, crew, and directors for CAMP ROCK production. ♦ 17 new students were inducted into National Honor Society at last night’s ceremony. ♦ NYSPHSAA looking at open boarder schools ♦ STEPS program meeting regarding teacher evaluation changes before we open negotiations next year. ♦ Jordan was outstanding in the play!
Krissy McNamara – District Admin ♦ Play season is up and running at Cohen this month, Mother Goose. ♦ AP Nicole Rosno created “Behavior Solutions Toolbox” being shared at faculty meetings. ♦ Behavior referrals are down 62% from this time last year. Having the social worker in the office helps reach the kids and keep referrals down. ♦ Social Emotional Support – added 2x support capacity with counseling services with Mrs. Gilbert and Ms. Evans has joined the Elementary School, and PE/Health Teacher Mr. Perfetti educating on mental, physical health.

Martha Clark – Business Manager ♦ Save comments for budget presentation.

Jordan Elliott – Ex Officio Student Member ♦ MP5 is over, only 3 months left of school year. ♦ Junior Rotarians project created a Book Drive, over a 1000 donations. ♦ Spring Sports tryouts started this week. High enrollment in Tennis (30) and Track (60). ♦ Two wrestlers went off to States and One track star last weekend. ♦ Play last weekend was a great turnout, very high attendance, 3 standout performers – Krissy McNamara, Tom Boyanowski and Mr. Kraeger. ♦ NHS inductions last night, most juniors selected. ♦ Cell Phone policy – no one really complains and everyone is surprised how

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Chris Callas, seconded by Dominic Lucarelli, and carried 6-0 to approve the following recommended personnel items F-1 through F-2, and being 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 Resignation/Retirement/ Termination:j

a. Resignation:

	NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE	notes
1.	Richard Stone	Bus Driver	03/06/26	

F-2 Appointments:

a. 25-26 Athletic Volunteers:

	NAME	POSITION:
1.	Michael Welch	Baseball
2.	Joshua Tryon	Baseball

FACILITIES

The updates below were reviewed by Superintendent Gill and Business Manager Martha Clark.

H-1 Capital Project 2025 – Transportation Facility Update –Efface work has begun, it’s going across the front of TAE. It’s a lighter color, but the budget only includes the front of the building. But we will need to do the south side of the building in a later project. New windows are going in and they have are brightening up classrooms. Not much to update on Transportation.

H-2 Capital Outlay 2026– TAE Classroom renovation – nothing new to update.

CONSENT

A motion was made by Terry Day, seconded by Mike Lepak, and carried 6-0 to approve the following consent agenda item K-1.

K-1 2026-27 School Calendar – approved

The Board approved the 2026-27 School Calendar as presented at the March 4, 2026 meeting.

DISCUSSION:

N-1 BOCES Board Member Nominees – The Board did not have any nominations for BOCES Board Member.

N-2 2026-27 Budget Presentation - Business Manager Martha Clark reviewed budget projections with updated revenue and expenditures, also comparing a plan between asking for 2.69% vs 2.0% tax increase with plans to not fill instructional staff through attrition to fill the gap. There were various questions and answers. The Board would like to move forward with 2.0%.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday	March 25, 2026	Regular BOE Mtg 7:00 pm	Comm Rm
Wednesday	April 1, 2026	Regular BOE Mtg 7:00 pm	Comm Rm

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:19pm a motion was made by Terry Day, seconded by Mikki Yesesky, and carried 6-0 to enter executive session discuss/review individual employment history and evaluations.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:59pm a motion was made by Chris Callas, seconded by Dominic Lucarelli, and carried 6-0 to adjourn executive session.

ADJOURNMENT – At 9:00pm motion was made by Mike Lepak, seconded by Mikki Yesesky, and carried 6-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Clerk