

**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 Lisa Benedict, Harry Blish, William Brewer, Christopher Callas, Harvey Harris (arrived 7:12pm), Joseph Sullivan, Andrew Willard

OTHERS PRESENT Mary Beth Fiore, Debra Palmer, Tom Boyanowski, Dawn Hanrahan, Andy Lutz, Carol Cady, Barb Day, Jen Woodworth, Mr. Woodworth, WETM reporter,

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

Agenda:

A motion was made by William Brewer seconded by Lisa Benedict and carried 6-0 to approve the agenda of the April 17, 2013 Board of Education Meeting.

Minutes:

April 8, 2013 Regular Meeting- A motion was made by Joseph Sullivan seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 6-0 to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2013 Board of Education Regular Meeting.

Clerk Pro-Tem:

A motion was made by Christopher Callas seconded by Lisa Benedict and carried 6-0 to appoint Debra Palmer as Clerk Pro-Tem for tonight's meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND STAFF

Andy Lutz –Elementary School Principal ♦Testing – Kudos to Sara Day - an excellent job coordinating – no Opt Outs in our District – test is rigorous in both content and time allotment - SAANYS Survey supports same issues ♦Brad Sanford Run – 1st Sunday in June

Tom Boyanowski – High School Principal ♦Safe Driving Week – drinking/texting etc – Mock crash simulation is Friday there will be article in the 4/21 Star Gazette

Debra Palmer – Business Manager ♦Audit RFP – received 4 ♦Pension smoothing webinar – SED has no answers ♦ASBO meeting – different focus & support of other organization

PERSONNEL

No Items

FINANCIAL

No Items

FACILITIES

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

BOCES Administrative Budget - approved

A motion was made by Lisa Benedict, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 6-0 to approve the following resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED that the Elmira Heights Central School District Board of Education approve the 2013-2014 Schuyler-Steuben-Chemung Tioga-Allegany BOCES Board of Cooperative Educational Services Administrative Budget in the amount of \$7,068,863.

BOCES Election of Board Members - approved

A motion was made by William Brewer, seconded by Joseph Sullivan and carried 7-0 to approve the following resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED that the Elmira Heights Central School District Board of Education cast one ballot for each of the following candidates for membership on the Schuyler-Steuben-Chemung-Tioga-Allegany BOCES Board of Cooperative Educational Services: Rose Apgar, Neil Bulkley, Mark Lemmon, J. Harold McConnell, Gloria Moss.

Poll Workers

A motion was made by Christopher Callas, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 7-0 to approve the following additional poll workers for the May 21, 2013 Annual Meeting/Budget Vote:

Chief Inspectors – Maria Turic **Inspectors / Clerks-** Linda Bolden, Pat Huffman, Laura VanHouten, Pam Coghlan, Lindsay Hostrander, Caroline Vaughn.

CONSENT

A motion was made by Joseph Sullivan, seconded by Christopher Callas and carried 7-0 to approve the following consent agenda items K-1 through K-2.

K-1 Donation \$300.00 – Walter J Kent, Inc. - accepted

Accepted with thanks and appreciation, a donation of \$300.00 from Walter J Kent, Inc. to be used to support the Spring College Fair.

K-2 Cafeteria Supplies – Joint Bidding

Approved the following resolution for joint bidding of cafeteria supplies for the 2013-14 school year:

CAFETERIA SUPPLY BIDSSCHOOL YEAR 2013-2014

WHEREAS, It is a plan of a number of public school districts in the Greater Southern Tier (GST) BOCES Area in New York, to bid jointly, Cafeteria Supplies including the following items on the following dates:

Meat and Grocery – July 10, 2013, September 4, 2013, November 20, 2013, January 29, 2014, April 2, 2014 and April 2, 2014 (for summer prime vendor award) - **Equipment** – February 12, 2014 - **Produce** – weekly throughout the school year - **Paper** – July 10, 2013, October 30, 2013, February 26, 2014 - **Ice Cream** – May 7, 2014 - **Milk** – May 7, 2014 - **Bread** – June 4, 2014 for 14-15 SY

WHEREAS, The School District named below is desirous of participating with other districts in the GST BOCES area in the joint bidding of the commodities mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o, and

WHEREAS, The School District named below wishes to appoint a committee made up of participating schools to assume responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, awarding bids to the lowest bidder who meets the specifications and reporting the results to the schools; therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the School District listed below hereby appoints the GST BOCES to represent it in all matters relating above, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the School District listed below authorizes the above committee to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned commodities, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the Board of Education of the School District listed below agrees to (1) assume its equitable share of the costs of Cooperative Bidding; (2) abide by majority decisions of the participating districts on quality standards; (3) that it will award contracts according to the recommendation of the committee.

COMMUNICATIONS

- ◆ No Items

DISCUSSION

- ◆ Budget Development – Final Review -

After review and much discussion which included retiree insurance changes, the Board decided to propose a budget increase under 4% which reflects a 6.9% tax levy increase. Final proposition will be voted on at the next meeting on Monday night.

- ◆ Mileage limitation extension -

The Board agreed to add a proposition to the May 21 ballot that would extend the bus mileage limitation effective July 2014

- ◆ Bus Purchase

It was determined not to purchase any additional buses at this time

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:09pm a motion was made by Christopher Callas, seconded by William Brewer and carried 7-0 to enter executive session to discuss legal issue

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:35pm a motion was made by Joseph Sullivan, seconded by Harvey Harris and carried 7-0 to adjourn executive session

DISCUSSION - continued

- ◆ Chamber of Commerce Survey

Funding education questionnaire

NEXT MEETING

Mon	April 22, 2013	6:30 pm	-Audit Committee Meeting	TAE Community Rm
Mon	April 22, 2013	7:00 pm	-Regular Meeting – Budget Adoption	TAE Community Rm
Mon	May 13, 2013	7:00 pm	Budget Public Hearing/Regular Meeting	TAE Community Rm

ADJOURNMENT – At 8:52pm a motion was made Christopher Callas, seconded by William Brewer and carried 7-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Clerk