

**Board of Education  
Regular Meeting**

**Minutes February 25, 2016**

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

Prior to the Board meeting, there was a Capital Project Presentation from 6:30pm to 7:00pm

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Education Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Harry Blish, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Harry Blish, Michael Lepak, Joseph Sullivan, Andrew Willard,

**MEMBERS ABSENT** Christopher Callas, Harvey Harris, Kristen Wolowitz

**OTHERS PRESENT** Mary Beth Fiore, Jason Rosno, Tom Boyanowski, Dawn Hanrahan, Andy Lutz, Michael Coghlan, Jeff Robbins (HUNT), Carol Sullivan, Carol Cady, Barb Day, Allison Newkirk, Colleen Dengler, Edward Gaylord Taylor, Family and Friends of Mr. Taylor, multiple media to cover the awards and meeting.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES**

**Agenda:**

A motion was made by mll, seconded by aww and carried 4-0 to approve the Agenda for the February 25, 2016 Board of Education Meeting.

**Minutes:**

February 11, 2016 Regular Meeting- A motion was made by jss seconded by aww and carried 4-0 to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2016 Regular Meeting.

**Order of Business:**

A motion was made by aww, seconded by mll and carried 4-0 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 ♦there was not better way to start our meeting tonight than with the awards portion of the meeting

Andy Lutz – Elementary School Principal ♦Family Literacy Night was last night – theme was Passport Around the World – Elmira Height Rotary took an active part in the evening with 50 or so families in attendance. ♦Hosting a guest author/illustrator next week – Lindsay Barret George ♦Math & Movement night is 3/15 – this is a very exciting program

Dawn Hanrahan – Middle School Principal/CSE Chair ♦Special Education Audit – now that it is final we are moving on to the next phase/implementation ♦Upcoming college visits will be to Mansfield University and Geneseo

Tom Boyanowski – High School Principal ♦Again – Congratulations to Megan on her Art Award ♦Junior/Senior Banquet was well attended and a very nice affair ♦After exams in January we have had 8 students move up in grade ♦Spring Sports parent meeting is 3/1 ♦Drama production of Oliver is next weekend

Jason Rosno – Business Manager ♦deferred comments to the budget discussion later in the meeting.

**PERSONNEL**

A motion was made by aww, seconded by mll and carried 4-0 to approve the following consent personnel items F-1a through F2b. 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

**F1 - Appointments**

**a. Substitutes – for the 2015-16 school – approved**

**Substitute Teachers** Laura Webber

**Substitute Support Staff** Laura Webber

**b. Coach - approved**

The Board of Education approved the following coach for the 2015-16 school year:

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Coach</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Modified Track	Ron Hoodak	3	2	\$1,989.30

**c. Volunteers- Drama - approved**

The following volunteers were approved to work with our drama program for the 2015-16 school year:

Kelly Smith Ashely Hockenberry Tammy Crowe

**d. Volunteers- Athletics - approved**

The following volunteers were approved to work with our athletic program for the 2015-16 school year:

Tennis: Tom Menechella - Abel Menechella

**F-3 Resignation/Retirement - accepted****a. Teacher - Elementary - retirement**Debra Wright

The Board accepted the resignation for the purposes of retirement, of Ms. Debra Wright as Elementary teacher, effective May 3, 2016, with thanks and appreciation of 14 years of service to the Elmira Heights CSD. Ms. Wright shall receive retirement benefits that she is eligible for, as outlined in the current EHTA contract.

**b. Secretary I - resignation- accepted**Teresa Dean

The Board of Education with best wishes, the resignation of Ms. Teresa Dean as Secretary, effective February 29, 2016. . It shall be noted that insufficient notice was given to resign in good standing in accordance with the EHESSA contract. .

**FINANCIAL****G-1 Budget Status Report as of February 18, 2016, 2015- acknowledged**

A motion was made by jss, seconded by aww and carried 4-0 to acknowledge the budget status report as of February 18.

**G-2 Treasurer's Report (December 2015) - acknowledged**

A motion was made by aww, seconded by jss and carried 4-0 to acknowledge the Treasurer's report for December 2015.

**G-3 Investment Report**

No - Report

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

A motion was made by mll, seconded by aww and carried 4-0 to acknowledge the Claims Auditor Report for December 2015.

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

A motion was made by aww, seconded by jss and carried 4-0 to acknowledge the Extra-Classroom Report for December 2015.

**FACILITIES**

Mike Coghlan reported.

**Capital Outlay** – Mr. Coghlan reported that the bids have been reviewed and will be presented later in the agenda for Board approval

**OLD BUSINESS****I-1 Policy 6170: Safety of Students (Fingerprinting Clearance of New Hires )– revised - approved**

A motion was made by jss, seconded by mll and carried 4-0 to approve revised Board Policy 6170: Safety of Students (Fingerprinting Clearance of New Hires) which was formerly known as Policy 6170 Fingerprint of Prospective School Employees as presented at the February 11, 2016 Board of Education meeting

**I-1 Policy 5675: Student Grading Information Systems – new - approved**

A motion was made by mll, seconded by aww and carried 4-0 to approve new Board Policy 5675: Student Grading Information Systems as presented at the February 11, 2016 Board of Education meeting

**NEW BUSINESS****J-1 – Bid Award - to Elmira Structures - for Capital Outlay Project - awarded**

A motion was made by jss, seconded by hbb and carried 4-0 to award Elmira Structures as the successful contract bidder for the Elmira Heights Central School District Capital Outlay Project for a base bid amount of \$64,900 with alternate number 1, \$13,000 and alternate number 2, \$5,800 for a total bid cost of \$83,700.

**CONSENT**

A motion was made by aww, seconded by mll and carried 4-0 to approve the following consent agenda items K-1 through K-6.

**K-1 CPSE Recommendations and Funding - approved**

The Board of Education approved recommendations and funds to support placements for determinations made at the February 9, 2016 CPSE meetings.

**K-2 CSE Recommendations and Funding - approved**

The Board of Education approved recommendations and funds to support placements for determinations made at the February 2, 9, 11, 2016 CSE meetings.

**K-3 Five Year Capital Facilities Plan - accepted**

The Board of Education accepted the Five Year Capital Facilities Plan as presented at the February 11, 2016 Board of Education meeting

**K-4 Donation - \$88.09 - Target** – middle school field trips - accepted

The Board accepted with thanks and appreciation, a donation from the *Target Take Charge of Education Program*, to Cohen Middle School, in the amount of \$88.09 to be used to support field trips.

**K-5 Donation –\$185.40 – Target** - elementary - accepted

The Board accepted with thanks and appreciation, a donation from the *Target Take Charge of Education Program*, to Cohen Elementary School, in the amount of \$185.40 to be used for miscellaneous building and supplies.

**K-6 Donation - \$10.00 - JUSTGIVE** - middle school field trips - accepted

The Board accepted with thanks and appreciation, a donation from JUSTGIVE, to Cohen Middle School, in the amount of \$10.00 to be used to support field trips.

**L. Awards/Honors/Achievement**

**Megan Taylor – National Scholastic Art Award** – presented by Allison Newkirk and Mr. Boyanowski

Congratulations – of over 800 entries only 200 were considered for display.

**Edward Gaylord Taylor – Veteran Graduate**

Superintendent Fiore, High School Principal Boyanowski and Board President Blish presented Mr. Taylor with a long overdue High School Diploma under the Operation Recognition program as a result of his service to country interrupting his high school education. In attendance were his family and friends. It was a proud event for all. Congratulations

**M. Communications**

No Items

**DISCUSSION**

**N-1 Brockport Cohort Presentation of Findings:** Carol Cady

Teacher Perceptions of Factors that Impact Student Achievement

**N-2 Budget Development**

There were some questions regarding transportation and costs. Will ask Mr. VanHouten to clarify at a future meeting

**N-3 BOCES Leadership Academy** – Communicating Across the Poverty Barrier

Thur March 10 5:45 – 8:00 pm

**N-4 Special Meeting:** Vote Certification March 1, 2016 at conclusion of vote

This is necessary so we can meet a very tight deadline to proceed with the project if the vote is successful

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 8:09pm a motion was made by aww, seconded by mll and carried 4-0 to enter executive session to discuss personnel and negotiations.

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 8:30pm a motion was made by jss, seconded by aww and carried 4-0 to adjourn executive session.

**NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday	March 1, 2016	Capital Project Vote	7:00am-8:00pm	TAE Gym
Tuesday	March 1, 2016	Special Meeting	8:15pm(or following vote)	TAE Gym
Thursday	March 10, 2016	Regular Meeting (if needed)	7:00pm	Community Rm
Thursday	March 24, 2016	Regular Meeting	7:00pm	Community Rm

**ADJOURNMENT** – At 8:31pm a motion was made by jss, seconded by mll and carried 4-0 to adjourn the meeting.

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Clerk