

**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 7:02 p.m. on February 1, 2023 by Board President Joseph Sullivan followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Members Present: Jody Buckley, Christopher Callas, John Cole, Terry Day, Michael Lepak, Joseph Sullivan, Andrew Willard

Member Absent:

Others Present: Michael Gill, Martha Clark, Brandon Foley, Alyssa Hoobler, Andy Lutz, CMS Student Council students: Jordan Elliott, Olivia Vinsek, Eliana Kadar, Claire Elston, and families.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

Agenda -

A motion was made by Jody Buckley, seconded by Michael Lepak and carried 7-0 to approve the agenda of the February 1, 2023 Board of Education Regular meeting.

Minutes –

A motion was made by John Cole, seconded Christopher Callas and carried 7-0 to approve the minutes of the following Board of Education Meetings:

<u>January 4, 2023</u>	Board of Education Regular Meeting
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Order of Business:

A motion was made by Terrance Day, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 7-0 to suspend the regular order of business to accommodate guests, special discussion topics and presentations in an order of business as deemed appropriate.

The President jumped to M-1

COMMUNICATION

M-1 Youth in Government Field Trip Presentation

Middle School Counselor, Alyssa Hoobler with CMS Student Council: Jordan Elliott, Olivia Vinsek, Eliana Kadar, and Claire Elston reviewed a power point presentation recapping their experiences from the Annual Youth and Government trip to the Capitol in the November. Then the President of the Board and Superintendent presented them with "Reach New Heights" awards for their exemplary actions that embody the ideals our slogan "Reach New Heights"

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND STAFF

Michael Gill - Superintendent ♦ Introduced new rotating webcam technology - OWL ♦ Started the light replacement process, brought out dumpsters, working second shift ♦ Half way through the year, TAE started new semester in collegiate style block schedule. ♦ Conference Day – state required "Suicide Awareness" training completed. ♦ Mr. Callas shared College Fair is May 10th 6-8pm, at Elmira Elks; Watkins Glen is hosting one the next day with trade schools and nursing programs. ♦ Continuing to foster grant prospects to offset costs and enhance opportunities for our students.

Andy Lutz – Elementary School Principal ♦ Partnering with Elmira College for pre-student teaching hours at Cohen / student volunteers. ♦ Planning for next school year is underway. The number of incoming students (preschool to K levels (early stages)) are presenting with much higher needs than previous year, this will be challenging. This is most likely due to screenings/services not available during covid. ♦ NYSED has a new focus on "Science Investigations". Before sitting for science tests at 5th and 8th grade levels, students must complete 5 investigations. BOCES will be training staff on Feb 3 on how to perform the first investigation called "Light it Up".

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

PERSONNEL:

A motion was made by John Cole, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 7-0 to approve the following recommended personnel items F-1a thru F-2d, 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 Resignations / Terminations / Retirements:

Resignation

- a. Kelley Groome, TIES Coordinator

The Board accepted the resignation of Kelley Groome as TIES Coordinator immediately. Mrs. Groome's last day with the district was December 21, 2022.

F-2 Appointments

The Board approved the following personnel. 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.

- a. The Board approved the following substitute(s) for the 2022-2023 school year:
 Substitute Teacher: Kyla Sotomayer
 Substitute Support Staff: Michael Murdough Kyla Sotomayer Marissa Collson* Lorraine Smith*
 *pending fingerprint clearance

- b. Probationary appointments:

Shanna Glover

Tenure Area: Teaching Assistant

Effective: January 5, 2023 (*certificate reissued*)

**Probationary Period: three (3) years effective January 5, 2023, through January 4, 2026.

Certification Area: Teaching Assistant Level Three

Total Compensation per EHESSA Contract: \$19.10 per hour (Step 6)

**To the extent required by the applicable provisions of Education law §§2509, 2573, 3212 and 3014, in order to be granted tenure the classroom teacher or building principal shall have received composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education law §3012-c and/or 3012d of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years. If the classroom teacher or building principal receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time. For purposes of this subdivision, classroom teacher and building principal mean a classroom teacher or building principal as such terms are defined in Sections 30-2.2 and 30-3.2 of this part.

Bobby King

Cleaner

Effective: February 2, 2023

Probationary Period: February 2, 2023 through February 1, 2024/Civil Service Regulations

Compensation per EHESSA Contract: \$14.90 per hour (Step 1)

- c. Tutoring

The Board approved the following tutor for the Cohen Elementary School after school tutoring program at a rate of \$30.00 per hour:

Laurie Reimel

- d. Coaching

The Board approved the following coaches to work with our athletic program for the 2022-23 school year.

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Coach</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Varsity Baseball	Chris Bennett	1	1	\$ 4,351.25
JV Baseball	Jared Slaven	2	3	\$ 2,988.74

FINANCIAL

G-1 Reports - acknowledged

A motion was made by Andrew Willard, seconded by Terrance Day, and carried 7-0 to acknowledge the following consent financial reports G1a through G1f.

- Budget Status Report as of January 25, 2023
- Revenue Status Report as of January 25, 2023
- Budget Transfer Report as of January 25, 2023
- Treasurer's Reports for December 2022
- Claims Auditor Report for December 2022
- Extra Classroom Report for December 2022

FACILITIES

H-1 2022 Capital Outlay / Annual Project Update – Done! Doors are in, all completed!

H-2 2023 Capital Outlay Project – waiting for quotes on two (2) new cameras with unused contingency money.

H-3 Capital Project 2021 / Energy Performance Contract (EPC) Update – Dates are rolling. EPC work is starting on second shift (changing out lights). Met with construction team on Jan 31, reviewed the budget, and approval has been received. Late April begins track and boiler work. Bid opening, Feb 9 walkthrough, Feb 28- March 9, will make recommendation to award bid at the March 15 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

J-1 Energy Performance Contract (EPC) - approved

A motion was made by Andrew Willard, seconded by Christopher Callas and carried 7-0 to approve the following resolution to enter Tax-Exempt Lease Financing for the energy project:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELMIRA HEIGHTS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO THE ACQUISITION, PURCHASE, FINANCING AND LEASING OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS

REQUIRED IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF ALL OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO THE CONSUMMATION OF THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, the Elmira Heights Central School District, New York, a body politic and corporate duly organized and existing as a political subdivision of the State of New York ("Lessee"), is authorized by the laws of the State of New York to purchase, acquire and lease personal property for the benefit of Lessee and to enter into contracts with respect thereto; and

WHEREAS, Lessee desires to purchase, acquire, finance and lease certain equipment with an estimated maximum cost of \$975,089 constituting personal property necessary for Lessee to perform essential governmental functions (the "Equipment"); and

WHEREAS, Lessee proposes to enter into a lease purchase agreement (the "Agreement"), with TD Equipment Finance, Inc. or its affiliate or designee ("Lessor"), the form and contents of which shall be approved by the Board President of the Lessee or by the Vice President of the Board in the event of the absence or unavailability of the President; and

WHEREAS, the funds made available by Lessor under the Agreement will be deposited pursuant to the terms of that certain Escrow Agreement, among Lessee, the Lessor, and an escrow agent satisfactory to the Lessor and the Lessee (the "Escrow Agreement," and, together with the Agreement, the "Financing Documents") and will be applied to the acquisition of Equipment in accordance with the Escrow Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Equipment is essential for Lessee to perform its governmental functions; and

WHEREAS, the board of education of Lessee deems it for the benefit of Lessee and for the efficient and effective administration thereof to enter into the Financing Documents and any other documentation necessary, convenient or appropriate for the purpose of the financing the Equipment on the terms and conditions described therein; and

WHEREAS, the Lessee proposes through such installment purchase contract or lease purchase agreement to finance the acquisition of certain equipment, machinery or apparatus, as described in the Agreement, by and between the Lessor and the Lessee and as set forth in the Project Descriptions and Application for Examination and Approval of Final Plans and Specifications submitted to the New York State Education Department and all as described, or to be described, in the Agreement, and it is in the public interest and for the public benefit that the Lessee authorize and award an installment purchase contract and/or lease purchase agreement on the terms set forth in a request for proposal process to solicit alternative financing quotations, and authorize and direct execution of an installment purchase contract or lease purchase agreement and certain other documents in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Lessee has determined that it is in the Lessee's best interest to acquire the Equipment described in the Agreement, and to finance such acquisition under the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Lessee hereby determines and finds that the proposed action hereinafter described constitutes a "type II" action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act of the State of New York and the applicable regulations thereunder ("SEQRA") which will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts in that the purpose consists of routine activities of educational institutions, and such purpose is not subject to any further environmental review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Request for Proposals for Installment Purchase Contract Lease/Purchase Financing for "Energy Performance Contract" (the "Request for Proposals") the Lessee received a proposal for the lease purchase financing described in said Request for Proposals on December 29, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Lessee has satisfied the legal requirements, including those relating to any applicable public bidding requirements, to arrange for the acquisition and financing of the Equipment and the execution and delivery of the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Lessee proposes to enter into the Agreement with the Lessor and the Escrow Agreement with Lessor and Escrow Agent; and

WHEREAS, nothing contained in this resolution, the Agreement nor any other instrument shall be construed with respect to Lessee as incurring a pecuniary liability or charge upon the general credit of Lessee or against its taxing power, nor shall the breach of any agreement contained in this resolution, the Agreement or any other instrument or document executed in connection therewith impose any pecuniary liability upon Lessee or any charge upon its general credit or against its taxing power, except to the extent that the rental payments payable under the Agreement are subject to annual appropriation obligations of Lessee as provided in the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, if any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution; now therefor

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELMIRA HEIGHTS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK (by the favorable vote of at least two-thirds of all the members of the voting strength of said Board of Education), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The President of the Board of Education of said Lessee, the chief fiscal officer (the "Board President"), or the Vice President in the event of the absence or unavailability of the Board President, is hereby authorized and directed to execute, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized (but not required) to attest and countersign, the Agreement and any related Exhibits attached thereto and to deliver the Agreement (including such Exhibits) to the respective parties thereto pursuant to the requirements of Section 109-b of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York when the Agreement shall have been prepared for execution and the Board President or District Clerk is authorized (but not required) to attest the seal of the Lessee on the Agreement.

Section 2. The Agreement shall be for a term of approximately sixteen (16) years but not to exceed eighteen (18) years, beginning with the earlier of (x) the time of receipt of possession of the Equipment, and (y) the execution and delivery of the Agreement, or such lesser term permitted by law or by regulation of the State Education Department, the aggregate principal amount of the installment lease/purchase payments pursuant to the Agreement shall be approximately \$975,089 plus the interest portion accruing thereon, and the total amount of installment lease/purchase payments in any fiscal year shall not exceed an amount necessary to comply with Section 109-b of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York and the Agreement shall otherwise comply with the requirements of said Section 109-b, to the extent applicable thereto, except for certain competitive bidding, and referendum requirements which, pursuant to the Energy Law shall not apply to the Agreement. It is hereby found and determined that the Agreement and the Escrow Agreement (collectively, the "Financing Documents") are in the best interests of the Lessee for the acquisition of the Equipment. The Financing Documents shall be subsequently in the form approved by the Board President with all necessary and appropriate

variations, omissions and insertions as approved, permitted or required by such Board President (or the Vice President in the event of the absence or unavailability of the Board President) and the execution and delivery thereof by such Board President or Vice President shall be conclusive evidence of such approval. Subject to the express limitations as set forth above the installment lease/purchase payments under the Agreement shall be a sum necessary to pay the sum required to lease and acquire the Equipment in accordance with the Agreement at the interest rate or rates applicable therein, such debt service reserve fund and/or lease/purchase payment fund as shall be necessary or desirable to be capitalized with respect to any financing in connection with the Agreement, and a sum sufficient to pay the costs and expenses allocable to any financing respecting the Agreement including the costs of credit enhancement, insurance, or municipal credit rating, if any.

Section 3. The Board of Education hereby determines and finds that execution and delivery of the Agreement is in the best financial interests of the Lessee based on due consideration of the other available acquisition and financing alternatives, other administrative and management considerations with respect to the location and utilization of the Equipment and the successful timely utilization of the Equipment and considering the successful timely utilization of such installment lease/purchase financing by other school districts with respect to other capital projects. An evaluation of financing alternatives pursuant to, and in accordance with, the regulations of the State Comptroller, is attached hereto. As set forth therein, the financing alternatives are: (1) borrowing pursuant to the Local Finance Law or borrowing through the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York; (2) lease/installment purchase financing pursuant to Section 109-b of the General Municipal Law and the Energy Law; (3) the creation and funding over time of a capital reserve fund or funds, and (4) current budgetary appropriations. Alternatives number 1, 3 and 4 are not presently authorized and would not meet the time and financial constraints for the energy project. Based on a review of the evaluation of financing alternatives, the Board of Education hereby determines that it is in the best interests of the Lessee to finance the Equipment pursuant to an installment purchase contract or lease purchase agreement.

Section 4. Nothing contained in this Resolution, the Agreement nor any other instrument shall be construed with respect to the Lessee as incurring a pecuniary liability or charge upon the general credit of the Lessee or against its taxing power, nor shall the breach of any agreement contained in this Resolution or in the Agreement impose any pecuniary liability upon the Lessee or any charge upon its general credit or against its taxing power, except to the extent that the lease/purchase payments payable under the Agreement are subject to annual appropriation obligations of the Lessee as provided in the Agreement.

Section 5. The Board President (or the Vice President in the event of absence or unavailability of the Board President) is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver (and may cause to be sealed and attested the seal of the Lessee) for and on behalf of the Lessee any and all instruments, affidavits, certificates, those portions of any offering materials referring particularly to the Lessee, financing statements, including specifically UCC- 1 financing statements and exhibits thereto to the extent, if any, deemed necessary or appropriate, Internal Revenue Service information returns, an arbitrage certificate and agreement, documents or other papers in connection therewith and to do and to perform or cause to be done any and all acts as such Board President or Vice President may deem necessary or appropriate or as Lessee's counsel or special legal counsel shall require or deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement and carry out this Resolution, the Financing Documents and the matters herein authorized including, without limitation, the power to cause certificates of participation to be sold pursuant to Section 39.6 or Section 39.7 of the State Comptroller Regulations and otherwise comply with such regulations and with the applicable provisions of General Municipal Law §109-b applicable thereto.

Section 6. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

Section 7. It is hereby determined and declared that the Elmira Heights Central School District reasonably expects to reimburse the general fund, or such other fund as may be utilized, not to exceed the maximum amount authorized herein, from the proceeds of the Agreement authorized hereby for expenditures, if any, from such fund that may be made for the purpose prior to the date of issuance of such Agreement. This is a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation §1.150-2.

Section 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Duly put to a vote as follows:

AYES
Jody Buckley
Christopher Callas
John Cole
Terrance Day
Michael Lepak
Joseph Sullivan
Andrew Willard

NAYS

EVALUATION OF FINANCING ALTERNATIVES (NYS Comptroller Reg. §39.2)

- (a) a statement indicating the estimated cost of each capital improvement to be financed, exclusive of the cost of financing:
\$975,089
- (b) a statement indicating whether the proposed capital improvements may be financed with indebtedness issued under the Local Financing Law and if not, the specific reasons why such financing is not authorized:

[Financing under the Local Finance Law or through the auspices of the NYS Dormitory Authority ("DASNY") would require an additional authorizing referendum and may not be assured in as timely a manner as installment lease/purchase financing.]

- (c) if the capital improvements may be financed with indebtedness, a statement indicating the estimated total cost of the capital improvements, inclusive of the cost of financing, if financed pursuant to the Local Finance Law:
[Financing under the Local Finance Law or through DASNY has not been authorized.]
- (d) a statement indicating the estimated total cost of the proposed capital improvements, inclusive of the cost of financing, if financed pursuant to an installment purchase contract:
[EPC amount of \$975,089 + interest as set forth on the Lease Schedule]
- (e) a comparison of the estimated total costs required by subdivisions (c) and (d) above:
[Financing under the Local Finance Law or through DASNY is not authorized.]
- (f) a recommendation as to whether it is in the best interests of the School District to finance the capital improvements pursuant to the Local Finance Law, or pursuant to an installment purchase contract and the specific reasons for such recommendation:
[Installment Lease/Purchase financing is a board prerogative and the request for proposal process assures a market interest rate on the lease/purchase financing.]

J-2 PTSI Proposals for Transportation Studies - approved

A motion was made by Terrance Day, seconded by John Cole and following a brief discussion reviewing cost breakdown per study and project timeline, carried 7-0 to approve both proposals from PTSI for Comprehensive Transportation and Child Safety Zone studies at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.00 and to authorize the Superintendent to sign and execute the contracts.

J-3 Request for Proposals – Audit Services- approved

A motion was made by Andrew Willard, seconded by Terrance Day, and carried 7-0 to approve the RFP (request for proposals) for audit services beginning June 30, 2023. The business manager, Martha Clark reminded the Board that this is required every 5 years and the Audit Committee will need to meet to review proposals in April.

J-4 Cost Allocation Methodology – approved

A motion was made by John Cole, seconded by Michael Lepak, and carried 7-0 to approve the Cost Allocation Methodology for COSERS to be offered by the GST BOCES for the 2023-24 school year.

J-5 SEQRA 2023-24 Capital Outlay Project - approved

A motion was made by Christopher Callas, seconded by Terrance Day, and carried 7-0 to approve the following resolution designating the Elmira Heights Central School District as lead agency and determining that the Capital Outlay Project is a Type II action and not subject to SEQRA: WHEREAS, the Elmira Heights Central School District has agreed to undertake a Capital Outlay Project at Thomas A Edison High School and WHEREAS, prior to commencement of any action on the project, the District must comply with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Environmental Quality Review Act, and WHEREAS, The School District Architect has recommended that the Board determine that the project is a Type II action within the meaning of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and its enabling regulations because 1) the scope of the work is maintenance, repair or replacement to existing structures, 2) the work involves replacement, rehabilitation, or reconstruction of a structure or facility on the same site, and does not exceed the thresholds of 617.4 of the regulations, and 3), is a routine activity of an educational institution within the meaning of 617.5(8), all of which fall within the definition of a Type II action requiring no further action or review under the SEQR process. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Elmira Heights Central School District Board of Education that:
1) Elmira Heights Central School District shall act as Lead Agency in the SEQR process. 2) That the scope of the work is maintenance, repair or replacement to existing structures which fall within the definition of a Type II action requiring no further action or review under the SEQR process.

CONSENT

A motion was made by John Cole, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 7-0 to approve the following consent agenda items **K-1 through K7**.

K-1 CSE Recommendations and Funding - approved

The Board of Education approved the student placement determinations from the January 6, 10, 13, 20, 23, 24, and 25, 2023, CSE/504 meeting(s) and the funds to support such recommendations.

K-2 CPSE Recommendations and Funding - approved

The Board of Education approved the student placement determinations from the January 6, 20, 27, and 31, 2023, CPSE meeting(s) and the funds to support such recommendations.

K-3 Health & Welfare Services contract - Horseheads – approved

The Board approved the Health and Welfare Services contract with the Horseheads Central School District, to provide services to twenty-four (24) Elmira Heights students attending non-public schools located in the Horseheads Central School District, at a rate of \$445.79 per student for the 2022-23 school year, at a cost of \$10,698.96.

K-4 Auctions International contract – approved

The Board of Education approved the contract with Auctions International, for the purpose of selling District surplus and unused property.

K-5 Donation – TAE Comfort Corner - accepted

The Board of Education accepted with thanks and appreciation, donation of \$100.00 from Elmira Heights alumna, Gail Legge, to be used to purchase items for the "Comfort Corner" at Thomas A. Edison High School.

K-6 Donation – Wegmans - accepted

The Board of Education accepted with thanks and appreciation, donation of \$500.00 of Wegman's products to support the Cohen Middle School Health class for their week of nutritional cooking.

K-7 Donation – Community Fund - accepted

The Board of Education accepted with thanks and appreciation, donation of \$550.00 from Community Fund to be used for the TAE Spanish Class field experience to the Rockwell Museum – Frida Kahlo exhibit including transportation and lunch.

COMMUNICATION

M-1 Youth in Government Field Trip Presentation *moved to beginning of meeting*

M-2 Notice of Termination of Rental and Maintenance Agreement with Horseheads CSD – June 30, 2026.

The Superintendent shared a letter received from Horseheads CSD that will terminate the transportation arrangement at the bus garage June 30, 2026. This is where the PTSI studies will come into play to determine next steps. Jason Johnson and Todd VanHouten are working together to gather information and will present at a meeting in March.

DISCUSSION

N-1 2023-24 Budget

Business Manager, Martha Clark reviewed some slides discussing the priorities surrounding possible budget projections 23-24 school year.

N-2 Annual Legislative Event (ZOOM) – March 2, 2023 5:30-6:30pm

The Superintendent will share the link to this meeting to those Board members that are interested.

N-3 Internal Audit Service Selection

After reviewing possible options and recent audits done, the Board is in agreement with the business manager that "governance" should be done this year.

N-4 BOCES Board Member Nominations

The district clerk shared requirements for candidates for BOCES Board member.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday	February 15, 2023	Regular BOE Meeting (if needed)	7:00 pm	Community Rm
Wednesday	March 1, 2023	Regular BOE Meeting	7:00 pm	Community Rm
Wednesday	March 8, 2023	Regular BOE Meeting (if needed)	7:00 pm	Community Rm
Wednesday	March 15, 2023	Regular BOE Meeting	7:00 pm	Community Rm

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:56pm a motion was made by Jody Buckley, seconded by Michael Lepak, and carried 7-0 to enter executive session to discuss employment histories of particular persons, the Board invited Elementary Principal Andy Lutz to join for part of the session.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 10:02pm a motion was made by Terrance Day, seconded by Jody Buckley, and carried 7-0 to adjourn executive session.

ADJOURNMENT – At 10:03pm motion was made by Andrew Willard, seconded by Michael Lepak, and carried 7-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Clerk

YMCA Youth and Government Trip, November 2021

New York State Capitol Building
Visit and Surrounding Area

Jordan Elliott, President

Olivia Vinsek, Secretary

Eliana Kadar, Treasurer

Claire Elston, Representative

Ms. Hoobler, CMS school counselor

Our trip to Albany was...**AWESOME!**

NY Youth and Government is an
alliance of the YMCA



Day 1

Day 1, 11/20/22
Ready to go!!!



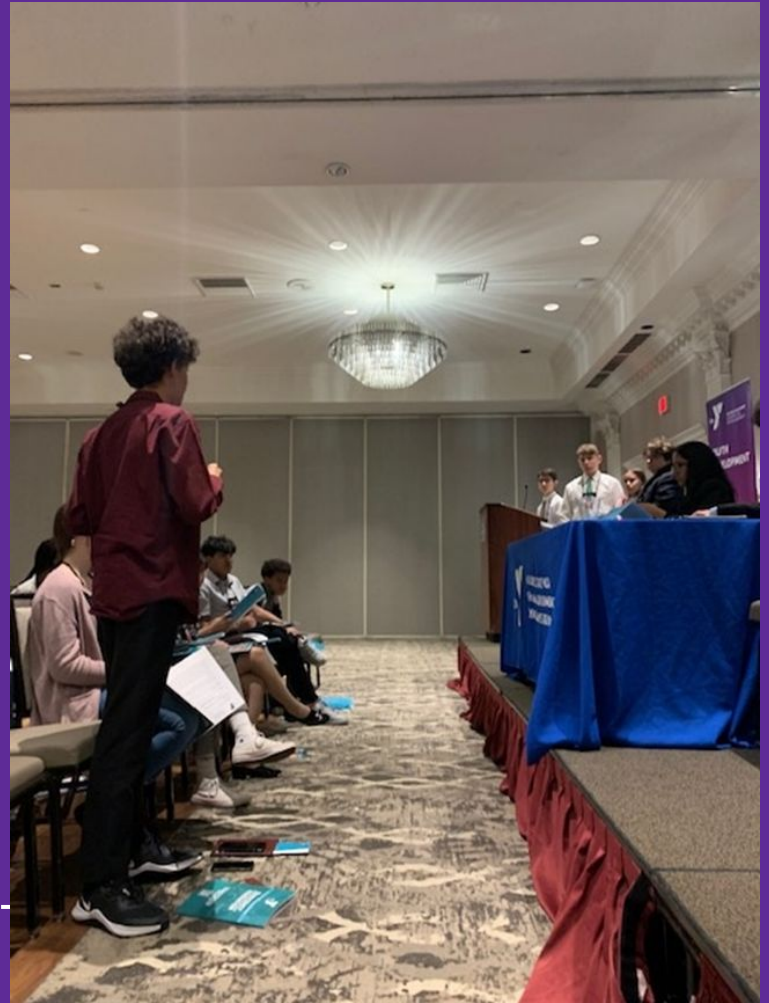
The Great Room

Where we had large group meetings and received whole group information :-)



Practice Delegation Sessions

Evening of Day 1 (after a yummy
dinner!)



Our turn to practice!

Jordan, Olivia, Ellie and Claire all took turns speaking about our Bill and answering Delegate questions



The Morning of Day 2.....

11/21/22

Our day at the Capitol Building!



Day 2...

We presented our Bill!

And what we learned from it...



Day 3

Time to go home with our new found skills!

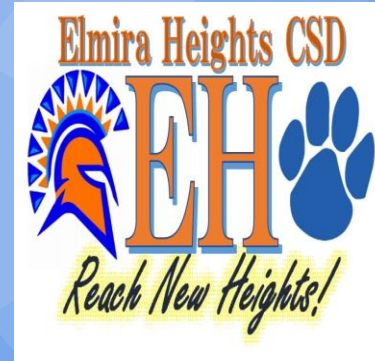


All in all... It was a GREAT trip!!! Thank you!!!



2023-2024 Elmira Heights CSD Budget Overview & Assumptions

February 1, 2023





BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS

- Maintaining current academic and extracurricular programming
Addressing academic challenges - COVID impact continues
Maintain current staffing levels
- Reduction in reliance on Appropriated Fund Balance
- Maintain School Bus Replacement Schedule
Type C 65 passenger

Wheelchair Accessible
- Vehicle and Equipment replacement schedule
- Continue to implement Technology Plan



BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS - CONT'D

- Contractual Salary increase of average of 3.0%
- Health Insurance - preliminary increase of 16%
- GST BOCES - Budget meeting scheduled for 2/3/2023, anticipated increase of 5%
- TRS Employer Contribution Rate tentative decrease from 10.29% to 9.76%
- ERS Employer Contribution Rate tentative increase from 11.6% to 13.1%



Executive Budget Proposal Highlights

- The final phase-in of Foundation Aid
- Additional UPK Funding
- A set aside within Foundation Aid for “high impact tutoring”
- Additional funding for early college high school & P-TECH grants
- Funding over 2 years for Districts & BOCES to partner with local industry on strategic workforce plans
- Expanded mental health services for school age children



FOUNDATION AID PHASE IN

Total Foundation Aid	\$	10,666,980.00
22-23 Foundation Aid Base	\$	(8,429,854.00)
Under Funderd	\$	2,237,126.00
50% Phase In	x	.50
Foundation Aid Increase 22-23	\$	1,118,563.00
Balance due 23-24	\$	1,118,563.00



Executive Budget Proposed State Aid

Foundation Aid	\$	12,351,577.00
BOCES Aid	\$	2,002,898.00
High Cost Excess Cost	\$	383,651.00
IMA - Hardware &Technology	\$	19,953.00
IMA - Software, Library, & Textbook	\$	79,358.00
Transportation Aid	\$	668,942.00
Building Aid	\$	1,897,255.00
Total - 29.35% Increase	\$	17,403,634.00



PRELIMINARY TAX CAP CALCULATION

Elmira Heights Central School District	
Tax Levy Limit Determination (Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011)	
2023-2024 Fiscal Year	
Tax Levy Cap - Calculations and Totals	
Tax Levy Limit (Cap) Before Exclusions	
Tax Levy Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 06/30/2023	\$8,124,805
Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount from FYE 06/30/2023	\$0
Tax Base Growth Factor**	1.0032
PILOTS receivable FYE 06/30/2023	\$81,873
Capital Tax Levy for FYE 06/30/2023	360,884
Allowable levy growth factor***	1.0200
PILOTS receivable FYE 06/30/2024	\$82,985
Available Carryover from FYE 06/30/2023	\$0
Total Levy Limit Before Exclusions	\$7,956,591
** As determined by the NYS Office of Real Property Tax Services (ORPTS)	
*** As determined by the NYS Office of the State Comptroller	

PRELIMINARY TAX CAP CALCULATION-CONT'D

Exclusions	
Tax levy necessary for expenditures resulting from tort orders/judgments over 5% FYE 06/30/2023 tax levy	\$0
Capital Tax Levy for FYE 06/30/2024	\$311,838
Tax levy necessary for pension contribution expenditures caused by growth in the system average actuarial contribution rate (ERS) or normal contribution rate (TRS) in excess of 2 percentage points:	
ERS	\$0
TRS	\$0
Total Exclusions	\$ 311,838
Tax Levy Limit, Plus Exclusions	\$ 8,268,429
Tax Levy Limit, Plus Exclusions %	1.77%
Proposed Levy for FYE 06/30/2024	\$8,268,429
Difference Between Tax Levy Limit Plus Exclusions and Proposed Levy	\$0
Do you plan to override the cap in 2024?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

