

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

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Minutes

Board of Education Meeting

September 17, 2012

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, Joseph Sullivan, Andrew Willard

MEMBERS ABSENT Harvey Harris

OTHERS PRESENT Mary Beth Fiore, Debra Palmer, Andy Lutz, Lisa Kelly, Carol Sullivan, Joan Whiting, Barb Day, Carol Cady, Marie Polovick, Bridget Murphy, Varsity Senior Cheerleaders

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

Agenda:

A motion was made by William Brewer, seconded by Harry Blish and carried 6-0 to approve the September 17, 2012 agenda.

Minutes:

September 10, 2012 Regular Meeting- A motion was made by Andrew Willard seconded by Lisa Benedict and carried 6-0 to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2012 Regular Meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:02pm a motion was made by Christopher Callas, seconded by Joseph Sullivan and carried 6-0 to enter executive session to discuss personnel.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:14pm a motion was made by Joseph Sullivan, seconded by William Brewer and carried 6-0 to adjourn executive session

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND STAFF

Mary Beth Fiore - Superintendent ♦Football - decision to cancel for the remainder of the year is safety of students (this is first priority) ♦Homecoming will still occur – just no football game ♦Cheerleading will attend some competitions since they will not have games to participate at ♦Classroom evaluations are occurring ♦Superintendent Fiore will be updating website with a video and advocacy information

Andy Lutz –Elementary School Principal ♦Professional Development occurring – 3rd & 5th grade Foss/Stem training ♦all Courses mapped and linked to the SED codes ♦Observation training is this week ♦Open House October 11

Lisa Kelly –Interim High School Principal ♦Open House is Wed 6:30-7:30 – parents will have their student(s) schedule ♦Sophomore class meeting ♦EMM – students are accessing help that is needed ♦class/club meetings – looking into idea of having them on a rotating basis during EMM ♦Key Club is this Friday

Debra Palmer – Business Manager ♦Fallen Tree at Cohen - \$2,500-\$3,500 cost to remove and o repairs ♦NYSMEC Refund \$12,600 ♦Medicaid training tomorrow on more procedures for processing

Other Staff Comments ♦Mike Bennett – Thank you Superintendent Fiore, Mr. Lutz and Ms. Kelly for your support and guidance over the last couple of weeks.

Public Comments ♦Bridget Murphy – read letter requesting opportunity for the team to attend a Cheerleading Competition

PERSONNEL

A motion was made by Andrew Willard seconded by William Brewer and carried 6-0 to approve the following recommended personnel items F-1a through F-4a as presented, 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 Appointments

a. Substitutes – for the 2012-13 school year - approved

Substitute Teachers Donna Swarthout Beverly Swartout Joyce Winton

Substitute Support Staff Beverly Swartout Joyce Winton

b. Extra-Curricular Advisors – for the 2012-13 school year - approved

Class of 2016 advisor Aimee Badger yr 7 level 1 Stipend \$1,510.11

c. Tutors - approved

The Board approved the following tutors for the 2012-13 school year to be paid at a rate of \$22.50 per hour:

Kerry Johnson	Laurel Strobel	Missy Lutz- earth science only
Andy Rice	Aimee Badger	Callie Black
Mary Ann Sheets	Kirsten Southard	Anne Caruana
Patti Pautz	Sherry Moore	
Nancy Monks	Jason Howe	

F-2 Retirement -accepted

- a. Physical Education Teacher

Susan Zahorian

The Board accepted the retirement notification, with thanks and appreciation of 30 years of service to the Elmira Heights CSD, of Ms. Susan Zahorian, effective January 2, 2013. Ms. Zahorian shall be entitled to all retirement benefits as outlined in the current EHTA contract.

F-3 Resignation -accepted

- b. Football Coach

Tom Hughes

The Board accepted the resignation of Mr. Tom Hughes, with thanks and appreciation, as Head Football Coach, effective September 13, 2012. Mr. Hughes last day of coaching was September 12, 2012 and he will be paid a prorated stipend of \$1,789.32 for 31 days.

F-4 Change in Appointment Status - approve

- a. Football Coach

Kyle Erickson

The Board approved the recommendation to acknowledge that due to the termination of the Varsity Football season, Kyle Erickson's last day of coaching was September 13, 2012. Mr. Erickson will be paid a prorated stipend of \$1,165.76 for 32 days.

FINANCIAL

No Report

FACILITIES

No report

OLD BUSINESS

none

NEW BUSINESS

Policy 8212 Animals in the School(including Animals on school premises) – 1st reading – revised - accepted

A motion was made by Christopher Callas, seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 6-0 to approve the first reading of revised Board of Education Policy 8212: Animals in the School (including Animals on school premises):

Policy 7440 Musical Instruments– first reading – revised - approved

A motion was made by Joseph Sullivan, seconded by Lisa Benedict and carried 6-0 to approve the first reading of revised Board of Education Policy 7440: Musical Instruments.

CONSENT

A motion was made by Christopher Callas seconded by Andrew Willard and carried 6-0 to approve the following consent agenda items K-1 through K2

K-1 CSE Recommendations and Funding - approved

Approved recommendations and funds to support placements for determinations made at the September 4 & 10, 2012 CSE meetings.

K-2 Donation – The Leader – 4 subscriptions accepted

Accepted with thanks and appreciation the donation of four free daily newspaper subscription for the 2012-13 school year to the TAE High School Library from the Leader in Corning.

Awards/Honors/Achievement

- ♦ Career Development Grant \$650.00 received

COMMUNICATIONS

none

DISCUSSION

- ♦ Voting Delegate for the 2012 NYSSBA Annual Meeting – A motion was made by Lisa Benedict, seconded by Joseph Sullivan and carried 6-0 to appoint William Brewer and the voting delegate and Christopher Callas as the alternate
- ♦ NYSSBA Annual Convention, Rochester – plans and arrangements being finalized
- ♦ Problems to Solutions Recap - Turnout was good – received good feedback
- ♦ Advocacy Plan Development – continue to update
- ♦ Functional Consolidation Exploration Plan Development – Board will need to offer some direction
- ♦ General e-mail for Board/Superintendent –looking at general e-mail box that Superintendent Fiore and the Board can all access.

NEXT MEETING

Monday October 29, 2012

7:00 pm -Regular Meeting

TAE Community Room

ADJOURNMENT – At 7:58pm a motion was made Joseph Sullivan, seconded by William Brewer and carried 6-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Clerk