



**Regular Board Meeting**

Members Present: Bruce Ellis - President, David Caccamise, Sylvester Cleary, Amy Drozdziel, Michael LoManto, Stacey Mierzwa, Carol Woodward

Administration: Renee Garrett – Superintendent, Daniel Grande – MS/HS Principal, Lindsay Marcinelli – Elementary, Meaghan Matuszak – Business Executive

District Clerk: June Prince

Other: Justin Ernst, Bonnie Gajewski, Michael Gajewski, Karen Giardina, Mary Gunther, Michelle Helmer, John Hertlein, Jon LeBaron, James LoManto, Sarah LoManto, Joanne Moss, Anita Stewart, Jeremy Izzio - Observer

**1. Call to Order**

Bruce Ellis opened the meeting in the high school library at 6:00 pm.

**2. Pledge to the Flag**

**3. Presentations**

Mr. Ellis reminded everyone of the goals the Board of Education set for this year.

Sarah LoManto, representing the Transportation Department, described the recent donations they have made to several areas of our school community.

Transportation Department Donation
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Renee Garrett presented the NYSSBA Board Achievement Award to Amy Drozdziel and the NYSSBA Board Mastery Award to Bruce Ellis.

A Drozdziel, B. Ellis NYSSBA Recognition Award
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John Hertlein - Elementary Principal, Anita Stewart – Floater Monitor Aide and, Justin Ernst – Bus Driver were introduced as new staff members this year and were welcomed by the Board.

New Employees Introduced
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**4. Approval of Agenda**

Sylvester Cleary made the motion, seconded by Amy Drozdziel to approve the agenda.

Agenda Approved
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All voted yes.

**5. Public Comment (Please limit comments to five minutes per person)**

None

**6. Supervisory Reports**

Supervisory Reports
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Lindsay Marcinelli announced that Mrs. Faxlanger's class, after being inspired by a story, creatively provided the Forestville community with two Little Free Libraries, which were built by parents Mike Press and Bruce Lyon.

Daniel Grande praised the custodial department on the work they have been doing. He also reported on the recent blood drive and Regents Week.

Karen Giardina, Cafeteria Manager, gave a power point presentation which included participation information, new menu items, administrative review results, and changes in requirements, staffing and equipment.

Michelle Helmer, Director of Curriculum, gave a power point presentation on how to read the different type charts of data from ELA, Math, Regents that is Common Core aligned and traditional Regents. In addition she gave an overview of the 2015-16 action plan.

Written reports were received from the Athletics, Buildings and Grounds, Technology, and Transportation departments.

Board Reports
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## **7. Board Reports**

Bruce Ellis reported that copies are available of the Erie 2 BOCES 2016-17 Services Guide.

Bruce Ellis appointed Carol Woodward as the NYSSBA Liaison.

Mr. Ellis reminded the Board of upcoming dates and thanked them for their engaged level of participation at the Board Retreat. Mr. Cleary then spoke about the importance of providing equity for all students.

The next Budget Committee Meeting is February 25, 2016 at 6:00 pm in the high school library.

Amy Drozdziel reported on the Policy Committee and reminded the Board of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Policy readings.

The next Audit Committee meeting is February 9, 2016.

Renee Garrett reported that we would be going out to bid for the two Capital Projects with the opening of bids on February 16<sup>th</sup> and that the elementary parking lot construction would begin in May.

## **8. Discussion Items**

None

## **9. Old Business**

None



**10. New Business Consent Agenda**

Carol Woodward made the motion, seconded by David Caccamise, upon recommendation from Superintendent to approve agenda items 10A-D.

**A. Meeting Minutes**

- 1) Approve the Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of January 7, 2016.
- 2) Approve the Board Retreat Minutes of January 21, 2016.
- 3) Approve the Budget Committee Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2016.

January Regular,  
Retreat, and Budget  
Committee Meeting  
Minutes Approved

**B. Financial Items**

- 1) Warrant Summary Report and Claims Auditor Report – January 2016
- 2) Budget Transfers

Warrant & Claims  
Auditor Report  
Approved

Budget Transfers  
Approved

Transfer From		Transfer To		Amount	Reason
A2250-470-00-40	Tuition	A2250-472-00-40	Tuition-Other	27,282	Special Education Tuition

**3) Purchases**

Insight Video          cameras          \$6,660.90

Purchases Approved

**C. Personnel**

1. Extend the appointment, made at the November 5, 2015 Board of Education meeting, of Susan Egan as a long term substitute for Mrs. Kristen Marvin through March 3, 2016.
2. Approve the request of Rachel Elersic-Henry for an unpaid child rearing leave January 16, 2016 – May 1, 2016.
3. Remove Ann Hagmier as a floater monitor aide substitute effective January 8, 2016.
4. Establish a 10 month cleaner position for 4 hours per day.

S. Egan, LTS  
Appointment  
Extended Through  
3/3/2016

R. Elersic-Henry  
Unpaid Child  
Rearing Leave  
Approved 1/16/16 –  
5/1/16

A. Hagmier ,  
Substitute Aide  
Resignation  
Approved Effective  
1/8/2016

10 Month 4 Hour Per  
Day Cleaner Position  
Established

**D. Other**



- 1) Approve IEP Recommendations #1340, 6261, 6295, 7082, 7080, 6463, 1269, 1307, 6424.
- 2) Approve payment of \$500 to Class of 2016 toward the cost of caps and gowns.
- 3) Approve the Class of 2016 Senior Trip to New York City for May 5-7 with Stephanie Kubera and Alyssa Brosius as the chaperones.

IEP  
Recommendations  
Approved

\$500 Toward Senior  
Cap and Gowns  
Approved

Class of 2016 Trip to  
New York City 5/5 –  
7/2016 And  
Chaperones  
Approved

- 4) Accept the following donations:

Donations Accepted

Mark and Brenda Pawlak	John Polvino Scholarship	\$ 25.00
St. Peter's Christian Church	Character Initiative Project	\$550.00
FCS Transportation Dept	MS/HS Library Books	\$ 80.00
FCS Transportation Dept	Elem Library Books	\$ 91.00

- 5) The following Policy (2<sup>nd</sup> reading) was reviewed by the Policy Committee, and is being recommended to the Board of Education for approval on March 3, 2016.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Policy  
#5511

#5511 – Maintenance of Fund Balance

- 6) The following Policies (1<sup>st</sup> reading) were reviewed by the Policy Committee and are being recommended to the Board of Education for approval on April 7, 2016. Policy #'s:

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Policy  
#'s 1220, 1240,  
1321, 6181, 7420

1220 - Board of Education Members: Nomination and Election  
1240 – Resignation and Dismissal  
1321 – Duties of the President of the Board of Education  
6181 – Resignation  
7420 – Sports and the Athletic Program

- 7) Approve the Superintendent entering into an agreement with Pine Valley School District to share our Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant (COTA) through June 30, 2016.

Shared COTA  
Shared with Pine  
Valley Approved  
through 6/30/2016

- 8) Approve combining 2016-17 Modified, JV, and Varsity Football programs with Silver Creek as the Host School for Section 6.

Approve Combining  
Football 2016 with  
Silver Creek for  
Section 6

- 9) Adopt the Board Handbook.

All voted yes.

## **11. Additional Personnel Item**



Bruce Ellis turned the meeting over to Amy Drozdziel, Vice President.

Michael LoManto made the motion, seconded by Sylvester Cleary, upon recommendation of the Superintendent to approve Matthew Ellis, who has successfully completed his 6 month probationary period, to a permanent building maintenance mechanic position effective January 13, 2016.

Appoint M. Ellis Permanent Building Maintenance Mechanic Effective 1/13/2016
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Yes: David Caccamise, Sylvester Cleary, Amy Drozdziel, Michael LoManto, Stacey Mierzwa, Carol Woodward

Abstained: Bruce Ellis

Amy Drozdziel turned the meeting over to Bruce Ellis, President.

## **12. Proposed Executive Session**

David Caccamise made the motion, seconded by Stacey Mierzwa to enter into executive session to discuss collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law, also the employment history of particular persons or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of particular persons at 6:47 pm.

All voted yes.

Sylvester Cleary made the motion, seconded by Stacey Mierzwa to return to regular session at 7:40 pm

All voted yes.

## **13. Adjournment**

Carol Woodward made the motion, seconded by David Caccamise to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 pm.

All voted yes.

## **14. Correspondence/Information**

Club Advisor Mid-Year Reports  
Thank you – Wade and Janet Arnold



District Clerk