

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL
GREENE, NY
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, July 20, 2005**

A Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, Christopher Cox, in the Board Conference Room, High School/Middle School complex, South Canal Street, Greene, NY.

CALL TO ORDER

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Christopher Cox, President
Mr. Richard Boeltz, Vice-President
Mr. Christopher Austin
Mrs. June Cooper
Mr. Jim Strenkert
Mr. Robert Eldred
Mr. Craig Ketzak

ROLL CALL

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Gary Smith, Superintendent
Mrs. Judy Gorton, Middle School Principal
Mrs. Carole Stanbro, Primary School Principal
Mrs. Nancy Stiles, Business Manager/Treasurer
Mrs. Cynthia Ferguson, CSE Chairperson
Mrs. Helen Hunsinger, Transportation Supervisor
Mr. Marvin Ladner, Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds
Mr. John Girton, Technology Coordinator

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Donna Utter, District Clerk

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Strenkert to adjourn to Executive Session for collective bargaining, legal issues and a personnel matter at 7:02 p.m.
Yes-7, No-0

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

- President Cox reconvened the meeting at 7:41 p.m.

RECONVENE

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

- VI. EDUCATION AND PERSONNEL
 - 6. Board Committees
- VII. BUSINESS AND FINANCE
 - 9. School Boards Convention Registration

**ADDITIONS/
DELETIONS TO
AGENDA**

MINUTES:

- Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Boeltz to approve the minutes of the Organization and Work Session meeting held on Wednesday, July 6, 2005 with the following corrections:
Page 1: *Mr. Marvin Ladner not present;*
Page 3: *Dr. Harry Werner as School Physicians.*
Page 9: Regional Advisory Council
Change school year to 2005-2006.
Page 9: Add the following substitute rates:
**GCS Retired LTA w/4 yr. Degree substituting for a Teacher - \$100/day;*

**MINUTES
6/6/05**

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- **GCS Retired Teacher or LTA substituting for a LTA - \$65/day;*

Page 9: Impartial Hearing Officer Rates:

"...hearing officers appointed after July 1, 2005 shall be \$80.00 until otherwise changed."

Yes-7, No-0

CALENDAR:

- August 3, 2005-7:00 p.m.-Board of Education

Work Session Meeting

- August 17, 2005-7:00 p.m.-Board of Education Meeting
- August 23 & 24, 2005- New Teacher Orientation

PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR:

MARVIN LADNER

MEMORIAL STONE-

NANCY BARROWS

- Mr. Marvin Ladner announced that the memorial marker for Nancy Barrows has been placed in the garden by the athletic office entry to building 2.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Gary Smith shared with the Board a letter received from Commissioner Richard Mills recognizing Greene Intermediate School as one of New York State's 574 "high performing/gap closing" schools. This designation is given if a school meets all applicable State standards for English language arts and math during the 2003-2004 school year and also made adequate yearly progress in English language arts, mathematics, science and graduation rate during both the 2002-2003 and 2003-2004 school years.

PRESENTATION:

ARTS IN EDUCATION

- Mrs. Mary Lake and several 1st grade students (Jacob Cook, Alex Mack, Maria Brown and Shauna Ayers) presented the past school year's Arts in Education project.

- The students explained that the project revolved around jazz music and history. Students took photographs, made personal history quilts, studied areas of community history, and worked with artist, Joe Wilder and the Monk Rowe Trio.

- The students shared examples of their personal history quilts, which they created themselves.

- Mrs. Lake explained that Greene received grant money through the NYS Council of the Arts to help show how the study/incorporation of arts in education helps children make better choices.

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- Mrs. Karen Muckstadt and John Stiles from Thomas Associates, presented an update on the current project.

**THOMAS ASSOC.
PROJECT UPDATE**

- Mrs. Muckstadt recapped the scope of the current project at each of the facilities.

- Roof replacement all campuses
- Paving all campuses

High School/Middle School Campus:

- Window replacement (during summer of 2006)
- New blinds
- 20'x40' enclosed storage bay on storage barn at high school
- Fire Alarm system update
- Two handicap lifts

Primary/Intermediate School Campus:

- Skylights

- Redesign of parking lot and bus loop at the Primary/Intermediate campus

Bus Garage

- Oil/Water separator
- Lift station connection to the village sewer
- New fire alarm system

- Structural inspections are ongoing. Recently installed access panels in the hard ceilings have aided in the detection of any corrosion or compromised integrity in the roof joists. To date, all indications are that any reinforcement to the joists can be done from below and will not require delaying the installation of the roofs.

- The completion date for the project is still set for August 27th, however, all contractors have indicated that they are on or ahead of schedule.

- Additional areas reported on by the architects included:

- Water retention sites at the Primary building;
- Replacement of heating/steam pipe between buildings 2 & 4 before top coat of blacktop goes down.
- Sidewalk damage during blacktopping will be replaced/repared by the contractor.
- Ceiling tiles and equipment damage caused by roof leak at the Intermediate school will be repaired by the contractor.
- Damage at bus garage caused by leak when roof work was being done. The contractor will make whatever replacements/repairs are needed.

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- Extra areas needing attention but which are covered through the allowance in the project and therefore no need for change orders are:

- Curb cut by auditorium and sidewalk in front of auditorium;
- Paving around the concession stand;
- Paving by building 4 tennis courts and improved draining by parking lot to building 4;
- Bulk heads along the road;
- New exhaust stacks at bus garage and ventilation hoods;

- Both Mrs. Muckstadt and Mr. Stiles are comfortable with where the project is at this point in time.

**TRANSPORTATION:
TRANSPORTATION
REQUEST-
GREENE CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE**

- Motion made by Eldred, seconded by Cooper, to approve the request from the Greater Greene Chamber of Commerce for a bus to provide shuttle service to and from the ball flats on July 23, 2005 for the Craft Fair.
Yes-7, No-0

**EDUCATION AND PERSONNEL:
SPECIAL EDUC.
PLACEMENTS**

- Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, a motion was made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz, to approve the following placements:

New Referral: #040548;
Entered Classified: #010226;
Annual Review: #000147; #040543;
Preschool-New Referral: #P040519;
#P040520;
Preschool-Annual Review: #P03044; #P03046;
#P030413; #P030417; #P030422; #P030420;
#P030423; #P030426; #P030427; #P030430;
#P04051; #P040515; #P040518;
Yes-5, No-2 (Austin, Ketzak)

APPOINTMENTS:

**SANDRA MARSHALL-
LTA**

- Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Eldred, seconded by Boeltz to make the following appointment:

Name of Appointee: Sandra Marshall
Tenure Area: Licensed Teaching Assistant

Date of Commencement of Appointment: September 1, 2005

Expiration Date of Appointment: August 31, 2008

Certification Status: Eligible for License

Yes-7, No-0

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APPOINTMENTS CONT'D:

- Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Cooper, seconded by Boeltz to move Melissa Viall from the approved substitute teacher roster to serve as a per-diem substitute teacher to fill in for a leave of absence for a period to begin September 1, 2005 not to exceed June 30, 2006.

**PER-DIEM
SUBSTITUTE-
MELISSA VIALL**

Yes-7, No-0

- Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent a motion was made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz to appoint Mr. Rocky Sherman as a custodial worker effective July 21, 2005 for a one-year probationary period ending July 20, 2006.

**ROCKY SHERMAN-
CUSTODIAL
WORKER**

Yes-7, No-0

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Strenkert, to appoint Brent Kim to the coaching roster for Fall 2005, as a JV Football Coach.

**BRENT KIM-
JV FOOTBALL
COACH**

Yes-6, No-1 (Ketzak)

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Strenkert, to approve the first reading of revised Policy #7431 *Law Enforcement Officials and Student Interrogations* as read.

**1ST READING
REVISED POLICY
#7431**

Yes-7, No-0

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Strenkert, to approve the first reading of revised Policy #8211 *Preventative Instruction* as read.

**1ST READING
REVISED POLICY
#8211**

Yes-7, No-0

- The Board agreed by consensus that Superintendent, Gary Smith, would contact Alan Pole at DCMO BOCES to arrange a date and time for the Board to meet with him to work on their summer planning of goals and objectives.

**BOARD SUMMER
PLANNING**

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Boeltz to structure the various Board Committees as has been done in the past. Board members will

**COMMITTEE
STRUCTURE**

let President Cox know what committees they would like to be on and assignments will be made at the August 3, 2005 meeting.

Yes-7, No-0

BUSINESS AND FINANCE:

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Cooper, to accept the Treasurer's Reports for June 2005.

Yes-7, No-0

TREASURER'S REPORTS

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**REVENUE & BUDGET
STATUS REPORTS**

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Cooper, to accept the Revenue and Budget Status Reports for June 2005 for the General Fund, Special Aid Fund and School Lunch Fund.

Yes-7, No-0

BUDGET TRANSFERS

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Cooper to approve the Budget Transfers for General Fund and School Lunch Fund for the month ending 6/30/05.

Yes-7, No-0

**MILK, ICE CREAM AND
BREAD BID AWARDS**

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Cooper to award the Milk bid for 2005-2006 to Ithaca Produce; to award the Ice Cream Bid for 2005-2006 to Huff's Ice Cream; and to award the Bread Bid for 2005-2006 to Freihofer's.

Yes-7, No-0

**BUILDING CONDITION
SURVEY AWARD**

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Cooper to award the proposal for the Building Condition Survey to EMG Corporation for a cost of \$15,607.04.

Yes-7, No-0

SURPLUS ITEMS

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Cooper to declare the items (books, videos and cassettes) on the attached list as Exhibit A surplus and to dispose of the same.

Yes-7, No-0

**SCHOOL LUNCH FUND
ANNUAL RENEWAL**

- A copy of the SFA Profile/Renewal form, which was submitted via the internet by Mrs. Corcoran, School Lunch Program Manager was noted.

**2ND READING & ADOPTION
REVISED POLICY #6340**

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Cooper to approve the second reading and adoption of Revised Policy #6304 *Non-Unit Employee Working Conditions*.

Yes-7, No-0

**SCHOOL BOARD
CONVENTION**

- Mrs. Stiles polled the Board to see who would be attending the School Boards Convention in October 2005.

Mr. Eldred, Mr. Austin and Mr. Ketzak Indicated that they would be attending.

**REPORTS:
DEPARTMENT CHAIR
REPORTS**

- The Board reviewed and noted the yearly reports received by the Department Chairs on each department's activities.

- The Enrollment Report through 6/24/05 was noted.

**ENROLLMENT
REPORT**

PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR:

- Board member Jim Strenkert reported that while driving through town, he noted that a bus that was parked in a South Chenango Street parking lot had one of its panels open. Mr. Strenkert stopped and closed the panel and did not observe any vandalism.

**PUBLIC COMMENT
JIM STRENKERT-
BUS TAMPERING**

- Mrs. Mary Lake announced that the annual Treasurers & Treats Craft Show will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2005 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Primary and Intermediate schools.

**MARY LAKE-
TREASURERS &
TREATS CRAFT
SHOW**

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Austin, to adjourn to Executive Session for a matter involving a particular student at 9:40 p.m. Yes-7, No-0

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

RECONVENE:

- President Cox reconvened the meeting at 9:48 p.m.

RECONVENE

ADJOURNMENT:

- Motion made by Eldred, seconded by Strenkert to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted

Donna Marie Utter
District Clerk

