

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL  
GREENE, NY  
BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2005**

A Work Session Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:05 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  
Mrs. June Cooper  
Mr. Jim Strenkert  
Mr. Robert Eldred  
Mr. Craig Ketzak

**ROLL CALL**

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

Mr. Gary P. Smith, Superintendent  
Mr. Gordon Daniels, High School Principal  
Mrs. Judy Gorton, Middle School Principal  
Mr. Vincent Coletta, Intermediate School Principal  
Mrs. Carole Stanbro, Primary School Principal  
Mrs. Cynthia Ferguson, CSE Chairperson  
Mrs. Nancy Stiles, Business Manager/Treasurer  
Mrs. Helen Hunsinger, Transportation Supervisor  
Mr. Marvin Ladner, Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

Mrs. Donna Utter, District Clerk

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz to adjourn to Executive Session for Special Education Placements, and the employment history of a particular person, 7:07 p.m.  
Yes-6, No-0

**EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

- Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, and after review by the Board, a motion was made by Boeltz, seconded by Strenkert, to approve the following placements:  
**Entered Classified:** #050618; #050619; #050620; #050622;  
**Requested Review:** #020320; #05065; #05069;  
Yes-6, No-0

**SPECIAL EDUCATION  
PLACEMENTS**

- Motion made by Ketzak, seconded by Strenkert, to adjourn Executive Session at 7:29 p.m.  
Yes-6, No-0

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

- President Cox reconvened the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA:**

- **IV. WORK SESSION**  
3. Discussion of Pet Guidelines/Policies in school buildings

**ADDITIONS/  
DELETIONS TO  
AGENDA**

**VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1. Medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person;  
2. Collective negotiations re: GESPA;

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MINUTES:

10/19/05

- Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Boeltz to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on Wednesday, October 19, 2005 as presented. Yes-6, No-0

CALENDAR:

- November 4,5,6 - Middle School Footlights
- November 4 - 6:30p.m.-Chenango County School Boards meeting @ The Silo
- November 7 -Half Day for K-5(Parent Conf.)
- November 9-Morning Program Salute to Veterans
- November 11- No School-Veterans' Day
- November 12-Treasures & Treats Craft Fair - Elementary Buildings (9:00-3:00p.m.)
- November 14- Half Day for K-12(Parent Conf.K-5)
- November 16 - 7:00p.m.-Board of Education Mtg.
- November 23-25 - Thanksgiving Recess

PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR:

CHRISTOPHER AUSTIN -  
SWIM MEET - POOL AREA

- Mr. Christopher Austin commented that the holding the swimming sections here with 10 other schools attending was wonderful. However, Mr. Austin commented on the pool area condition, i.e. missing ceiling tiles, use and location of electrical cords.

VINCENT COLETTA-  
ANNE BEACH EDUCATOR  
OF THE WEEK - WBNG

- Mr. Vincent Coletta, Intermediate School Principal, announced to the Board that Mrs. Anne Beach, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, was selected by WBNG Channel 12 as Educator of the Week and she will appear on Channel 12.

The Board congratulated Mrs. Beach on the recognition and requested that the Clerk send Mrs. Beach a letter of congratulations.

ACTION ITEMS:

RESIGNATIONS:

JODY DIAZ- ELEMENTARY  
TEACHER

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Cooper to accept the resignation to retire of Mrs. Jody Diaz from her position as an Elementary Teacher, effective June 30, 2006 with appreciation for her many years of dedicated service to the district. Yes-6, No-0

SANDEE UTTER- ELEMENTARY  
TEACHER

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Cooper to accept the resignation to retire of Mrs. Sandee Utter from her position as an Elementary Teacher, effective June 30, 2006 with appreciation for her many years of dedicated service to the district. Yes-6, No-0

VINCENT COLETTA-  
PRINCIPAL

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Cooper to accept the resignation to retire of Mr. Vincent Coletta from his position as Principal, effective June 30, 2006 with appreciation for his many years of dedicated service to the district. Yes-6, No-0

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- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Cooper to accept the resignation to retire of Mrs. Helen Hunsinger from her position as Transportation Director, effective June 30, 2006 with appreciation for her many years of dedicated service to the district.  
Yes-6, No-0

**RESIGNATIONS:  
HELEN HUNSINGER-  
TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR**

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Cooper to accept the resignation to retire of Mrs. Nancy Stiles from her position as Business Manager, effective June 30, 2006 with appreciation for her many years of dedicated service to the district.  
Yes-6, No-0

**NANCY STILES -  
BUSINESS MANAGER**

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Cooper to accept the resignation to retire of Mrs. Cheryl Sergi from her position as an Elementary Teacher, effective July 23, 2006 with appreciation for her many years of dedicated service to the district.  
Yes-6, No-0

**CHERYL SERGI -  
ELEMENTARY TEACHER**

- Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Cooper, seconded by Strenkert to make the following probationary Appointment:  
Name of Appointee: Ms. Mindy Glover  
Tenure Area: Education of Children with Handicapping Conditions-General  
Date of Commencement  
Of Probation Service: November 3, 2005  
Expiration Date of  
Appointment: November 2, 2008  
Certification Status: Initial  
Yes-6, No-0

**APPOINTMENTS:  
MINDY GLOVER- SPECIAL  
EDUCATION TEACHER**

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Strenkert to appoint Mrs. Sara Williamson as the Assistant Varsity Bowling Coach for the 2005-2006 season.  
Yes-6, No-0

**SARA WILLIAMSON-  
ASST. V. BOWLING  
COACH**

- Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Boeltz, seconded by Strenkert to approve the appointment of the following individuals to the approved Substitute Rosters for the 2005-2006 school year:
  - Andy Palmer - Substitute Teacher K-12;
  - Kathleen Rapp - Substitute Teacher K-12;
  - Mary Fazan - Substitute Teacher K-5
  - Vickie Lynne Mohr Ball - Substitute Teacher K-8;
  - Carol Langille - Substitute Teacher's AideYes-6, No-0

**SUBSTITUTE ROSTERS**

- The Clerk reported that no community members have volunteered to be on the Budget Advisory Committee. The article requesting volunteers will be published again in the Chenango American with a deadline of November 15, 2005.

**BUDGET ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE**

**WORKERS' COMP.  
AGREEMENT**

- Motion made by Ketzak, seconded by Strenkert to approve the 2005-2006 Agreement with the Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Alliance to supply the Alliance with the services of its duly appointed Clerk and authorize the President of the Board of Education to sign the Agreement.  
Yes-6, No-0

**SURPLUS ITEMS**

- Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Boeltz to declare the attached list of items (Exhibit "A") as surplus and to dispose of the same.

**BUS ROUTE CHANGE**

- Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Eldred, to approve the bus route extension to include Sherman Road.  
Yes-5, No-0, Abstain-1 (Strenkert)

**BOARD GOALS,  
OBJECTIVES &  
STRATEGIES**

- The Board reviewed the 2005-2006 Board Goals, Objectives and Strategies document. Superintendent, Gary Smith, reviewed the document with the Board. Board members made several suggestions for additions/changes to the document:

1. Include accomplishments for reference;
2. Brief summary of conference experiences by staff attending;
3. Include long-range plans or other budget issues for inclusion in strategies;

After revisions are made, the Board will review the document again.

**REVIEW BOARD  
OUTSTANDING  
ACTIONS LIST**

- The Board reviewed its Outstanding Actions list.  
- Mr. Marvin Ladner reviewed the Building Condition Survey. The survey is performed by an Architect and Engineering firm and gives a snapshot of the district's facilities. The survey sets forth the useful life and the remaining life on portions of the facilities i.e. roofing. The survey sets out areas of concern, which can then be addressed in future budgets or capital projects. The surveys are submitted to State Ed., which is then used to determine future capital project aid for school construction. It is a long-range planning tool for school facilities.  
- A full report on the Building Condition Survey will be given at the December 7, 2005 board meeting.

**SCHEDULE NEEDED  
COMMITTEE MTGS.**

- Mrs. Hunsinger, Transportation Supervisor, requested a Transportation Committee meeting prior to the next board meeting on November 16, 2005.

**PET POLICY/GUIDELINES  
FOR SCHOOLS:**

- Superintendent, Gary Smith, reviewed with the board the recommendations from the Department of Health regarding guidelines to be followed regarding pets in a school setting. Mr. Smith recommended that the Department of Health guidelines be followed and that the Principal at each building use their discretion regarding allowing or not allowing pets based on medical and other needs/concerns within their building/situation.

**PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR:**

- Mrs. Judy McHale, Kindergarten Teaching Assistant invited the Board to the Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast on November 18, 2005 at 11:30 a.m.

- Mrs. Barb Whitmore asked if you needed to be a resident of Greene to be on the Budget Advisory Committee?

- President Cox informed Mrs. Whitmore that you do need to be a resident of the Greene School District to serve on the committee.

- Mrs. Helen Hunsinger complimented Mr. Tim Crumb, BOCES Conservation Instructor, and the Greene students who worked under his direction on the Nature Trail behind the bus garage and elementary buildings. Mrs. Hunsinger stated that the students were very polite and cooperative, and did a beautiful job on the trails. The trails are very enjoyable to walk now. Mrs. Hunsinger suggested that an article be put in the newsletter and the Chenango American regarding the project.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**  
**JUDY MCHALE -**  
**THANKSGIVING FEAST**

**BARB WHITMORE- BUDGET**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**NATURE TRAIL - BOCES**  
**PROJECT**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz to adjourn to Executive Session for the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person;and collective negotiations re: GESPA; at 8:35 p.m.  
Yes-6, No-0

- Motion made by Eldred, seconded by Strenkert to adjourn Executive Session at 9:51 p.m.  
Yes-6, No-0

- President Cox reconvened the meeting at 9:53 p.m.

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Cooper to adjourn the meeting at 9:54 p.m.  
Yes-6, No-0

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**RECONVENE**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted

Donna Marie Utter  
District Clerk