

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL  
GREENE, NY  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2007**

A Board of Education meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by President, Christopher Cox, in the Board Conference Room, High School/Middle School complex, South Canal Street, Greene, NY.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Christopher Cox, President  
Mr. Richard Boeltz, Vice-President  
Mr. Craig Ketzak  
Mrs. June Cooper  
Mr. Robert Eldred  
Mr. Jim Strenkert (arrived @ 7:40 p.m.)  
Mr. Christopher Austin

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

Mr. Gary P. Smith, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. Mark Rubitski, Business Manager  
Mr. Terry Heller, High School Principal  
Mrs. Judy Gorton, Middle School Principal  
Mr. Bryan Ayres, Intermediate School Principal  
Mrs. Carole Stanbro, Primary School Principal  
Mr. John Girton, Technology Coordinator  
Mrs. Kathy Langley, CSE Chairperson  
Mr. Chris Fairbairn, Transportation Supervisor  
Mr. Marvin Ladner, Superintendent Buildings & Grounds

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

Mrs. Donna Utter, District Clerk

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Cooper, to adjourn to Executive Session for the following at 6:07 p.m.:
  - Matters Pertaining to Special Education Placements;
  - Employment Matters Related to Specific Individuals.Yes-6, No-0

- Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, and after review by the Board, a motion was made by Cooper, seconded by Boeltz, to approve the following placements:  
**Requested Review:** #710005402; #710022138; #710040174;  
**Annual Review:** #710019415; #710022018; #710022155; #710123446; #710123644; #710125297;  
**Triennial:** #710006297; #710125217;  
**New Referral:** #710123306; #710123624;  
Yes-6, No-0

- Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Boeltz, to adjourn Executive Session at 6:41 p.m.  
Yes- 6, No-0

- President Cox reconvened the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

- None.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**SPEC. EDUC. PLACEMENTS**

**ADJOURN EXEC. SESSION**

**RECONVENE**

**ADDITIONS/  
DEL. TO AGENDA**

- APPROVE MINUTES  
6/5/07** - Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Ketzak, to approve the minutes of the Board meeting held on June 5, 2007 as presented.  
Yes-6, No-0
- SENIOR TRIP REPORT** - Mr. Terry Heller, High School Principal, reported on the recent senior trip to Ocean City, MD. Mr. Heller reported that the kids were excellent and had a great time. He commended Mrs. Kathy Pruden, Senior Class Advisor, for the excellent planning of the trip and the chaperones for making the trip go so smoothly.
- GRADUATION** - Mr. Heller also polled the Board to determine who would be attending graduation:  
C. Austin – 2 seats  
J. Cooper  
C. Ketzak
- CALENDAR:**  
- June 22 – 6:00 p.m.-Senior Dinner Dance – Golf Course  
- June 23 – 10:00 a.m. - Graduation  
- July 3 – 6:30 p.m.-Board of Education Organizational Mtg.
- PUBLIC COMMENT:  
HOLLY MOHR-  
CHORUS CONCERT** - Mrs. Holly Mohr, a parent, commented on how outstanding the recent High School/Middle School Chorus Concert was.
- CHRIS AUSTIN-  
MORNING PROGRAM** - Board member, Christopher Austin, commented on how nice morning program was.
- CHASITY SMITH-  
"NO FLYER"  
PROCEDURE** - Chasity Smith requested that when the Board reviews the "no flyer" procedure that they take into consideration the benefits of distribution of information to parents and students allowing flyers provides. She also requested that the matter be resolved soon and that individuals' comments on the subject be taken into consideration.
- GARY SMITH** - Superintendent Gary Smith stated that the matter would be resolved by the start of the next school year.
- TIM CRUMB –  
CAPITAL PROJECT** - Tim Crumb, a parent, questioned whether or not the Board had considered moving all the sports teams and field to the elementary campus. He stated that the available acreage located at the elementary campus would allow for enlarging the track to a competitive size and would involve fewer drainage issues than the South Canal Street campus. He also stated that if medium turf were used on the football field all sports teams could use it.
- RANDY PORTER-  
CAPITAL PROJECT** - Randy Porter, a parent, requested that maintenance be taken into consideration when adding additional facilities. He stated that funds need to be allocated to be sure that all facilities are taken care of appropriately.

- Chris Wentlent, a parent, commented on the recent articles in the Chenango American regarding the coaching at Greene High School. Mr. Wentlent stated that he felt the coaching at Greene was superb and that the coaches had a positive impact on the students, which sticks with them throughout their lives after school. He also stated that Greene has won many sportsmanship awards, which speaks highly to the character of the coaches and students.

**CHRIS  
WENTLENT-  
COACHING**

- Tracy Gaylord, a former student, stated that she agreed with Mr. Wentlent. She stated that Greene is blessed to have such outstanding coaches.

**TRACY GAYLORD  
- COACHING**

- Board President, Christopher Cox, presented Board member Christopher Austin, with a plaque in appreciation of his 17 years of service to the district as a Board member.

**PRESENTATION:  
CHRISTOPHER  
AUSTIN-PLAQUE**

- Mr. Scott Duell and Mr. Jeff McKenna from Thomas Associates Associates reviewed the proposed capital project with the Board. They discussed:

**PROPOSED  
CAPITAL  
PROJECT  
OVERVIEW**

- Incidental costs (estimates based on SED recommendations)
- Reserves (22 ½% of bids);
- A & E costs based on construction costs;
- Scope of the project based on needs from the building maintenance five year plan;
- Conventional heating versus Geothermal:
  - \* advantage of being able to cool the entire building rather than just designated office areas;
  - \* cost savings of a more efficient system;
  - \* wells – size and number are based on square footage of building;
  - \* test well should be done before referendum to determine if ground is suitable for geothermal wells;
  - \* a visitation of Unadilla Valley to view they system was made;
- more information and comparisons of costs and maintenance are needed for further review of a new conventional system or going to a geothermal system;
- Sewer and water systems – infrastructure as well as outside connections;
- Asbestos – most has been eliminated through previous projects at the MS/HS campus; however, not as much work has been done at the elementary campus and that is where they are anticipating the most asbestos abatement to take place.
- Possibility of a field house and moving the fields and lighting, expanding the track, etc. to the elementary campus. Develop another model moving fields to the hill campus for comparison purposes.
- Transportation of teams to the hill – would this be an issue?
- Superintendent Gary Smith voiced concern regarding the project being for infrastructure versus sports complex and the perception to the voters.
- Drop off in front of the High School from South Canal Street- other alternatives – would this really alleviate any congestion, or just create more? After discussion, the consensus was that this drop-off loop would not really alleviate congestion and would take away from the appearance of the front of the school.
- Intermediate lobby by gym renovated to accommodate bus drop off of students.
- Time line – determine the date of the vote and then work backwards for deadlines. For a November or December vote, there is still time to finalize the scope of the project.
- Stage or platform like structure in the gym to be used when they hold special events?

**REPORTS:**

**TRANSPORTATION  
REPORT**

-The Transportation Report for May 2007 was noted.

**NYSSBA CONFERENCE**

- Superintendent Gary Smith polled board members to see who was planning on attending the NYSSBA conference October 25-28. Mr. Strenkert indicated that he would be attending.

**CSE WORK STUDY  
REPORT**

- Mrs. Kathy Langley, CSE Chairperson, shared a report prepared by the 12:1:1 Teacher and herself regarding the CSE work study program this past school year. The program proved to be very successful for the student.

**CSE YEAR END  
REPORT**

- The CSE End of the Year Report for special education student numbers by grade was noted.

**SPRING SPORTS  
REPORT**

- The Spring Sports Report prepared by Jeffrey Paske, Athletic Coordinator, was noted.

**EDUCATION AND PERSONNEL :**

- The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following Board actions:

**RESIGNATIONS:**

**JANICE MASON-  
TEACHER**

- Motion made by Ketzak, seconded by Boeltz, to accept the resignation to retire of Ms. Janice Mason, Elementary Teacher, effective June 30, 2007 with appreciation for her years of service to the district. Yes-7, No-0

**REBECCA UTTER-  
TEACHER**

- Motion made by Ketzak, seconded by Boeltz, to accept the resignation of Ms. Rebecca Utter from her Position as Social Studies Department Chair effective June 30, 2007. Yes-7, No-0

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**GERRY LOU  
WILLIAMS- BUS  
ATTENDANT**

- Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Boeltz, to appoint Gerry Lou Williams as a Bus Attendant required by a specific student's IEP, effective September 1, 2007. Yes-7, No-0

**COACHING ROSTER  
2007-2008**

- Motion made by Eldred, seconded by Cooper, to appoint the following individuals pursuant to the 2007-2008 Coaching Roster:

Football:	Varsity	Tim Paske
	V. Asst.	Jeff Paske
	V. Asst.	Kevin Clapper
	JV	David Gorton
	Modified	Tim Jenks
	Asst.	Mark Yeager
	Asst.	Zach Shearer
Fall Golf:	Varsity	Peter Flanagan
Boys Soccer:	Varsity	Rick Tallman
	V. Asst.	Ryan Starliper
	JV	Chris Rice

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**COACHES CONT'D**

Boys Soccer:	Modified	Jim deHaan
Girls Soccer:	Varsity	Randy Smith
	V. Asst.	Hal Kennedy
	JV	Brandy Stone
	Modified	Mary McBride
Field Hockey:	Varsity	Sue Carlin
	V. Asst.	Ruth Smith
	JV	Jessica Becker
	Modified	Sue Silvernail
Girls Swimming:	Varsity	Mike Platta
	Modified	Sara Williamson
Girls Tennis:	Varsity	Rich Karl
Boys Basketball:	Varsity	Jeff Paske
	JV	Tim Paske
	Modified 8 <sup>th</sup>	David Gorton
Girls Basketball:	Varsity	Bill Case
	JV	Steve Klumpp
	Modified 8 <sup>th</sup>	David Gorton
Wrestling:	Varsity	Tim Jenks
	JV	Tom Stanbro
	Modified	Mike Wilcox
Volleyball:	Varsity	Michelle Schieve
	JV	Angela Whitt
	Modified 8 <sup>th</sup>	Mary McBride
	Modified 7 <sup>th</sup>	Lindsey Braman
Boys Swimming:	Varsity	Mike Platta
	Modified	John Buck
Bowling:	Varsity	Hal Kennedy
	Asst.	Donna Utter
Baseball:	Varsity	David Gorton
	JV	Jim deHaan
	Modified 7 <sup>th</sup>	Brent Kim
Softball:	JV	Kimberly Huson
	Modified 7 <sup>th</sup>	Alisha Eggleston
Track:	Varsity	Sunnie Reardon
	Asst.	Rebecca Philippone
	Modified	Mary McBride
Boys Tennis:	Varsity	Rich Karl
Yes-6, No-1(Austin)		

- Motion made by Ketzak, seconded by Eldred, to approve the second reading and adoption of Policy #7750 *Independent Student Evaluations* as read.  
Yes-7, No-0

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING/  
ADOPTION  
POLICY #7750**

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Eldred, to adopt the following textbook Conceptual Physics, Prentice Hall 2006, to be used in 12<sup>th</sup> grade physics.  
Yes-7, No-0

**TEXTBOOK –  
PHYSICS**

- Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Strenkert, to approve the Transportation Request of the Joint Recreation Commission to run their summer program July 2, 2007 through July 25, 2007 using GCS buses for transportation to and from the Middle School/High School daily.  
Yes-7, No-0

**TRANS. REQUEST  
JRC SUMMER  
PROGRAM**

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- ADDENDUM TO Supt. Agreement 2008** - Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz, to approve the addendum to the Superintendent's 2005-Agreement.  
Yes-7, No-0
- ABOLISHMENT OF ELEMENTARY TEACHING POSITION** - Motion made by Eldred, seconded by Ketzak, to abolish an elementary teaching position effective June 30, 2007.  
Yes-7, No-0
- CREATE READING TEACHER POSITION** - Motion made by Eldred, seconded by Ketzak, to create a reading teacher position effective July 1, 2007.  
Yes-7, No-0
- LEAVE OF ABSENCE AMENDMENT- REBECCA UTTER** - Motion made by Austin, to amend a previously approved leave of absence request of Rebecca Utter, Teacher effective September 1, 2007.  
  
The motion failed to receive a second and therefore was dropped.
- FACILITIES USE REQUEST-SOUTHERN TIER CELEBRATES** - Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Cooper, to approve the Facilities Use Request submitted by Southern Tier Celebrates to use the ballflats for a free public concert on August 2, 2007 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. with the Auditorium as a rain location if needed.  
Yes-7, No-0
- BUSINESS & FINANCE: TREASURER'S REPORT** - Motion made by Eldred, seconded by Strenkert, to accept the Treasurer's Reports for May 2007 as presented.  
Yes-7, No-0
- REVENUE & BUDGET STATUS REPORT** - Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Strenkert, to accept the Budget Status Reports for May 2007 for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund, Federal Grants & Capital Budgets as presented.  
Yes-7, No-0
- INTERNAL CLAIMS AUDITOR REPORT** - Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Boeltz, to accept the Internal Claims Auditor's Report for May 2007 as presented.  
Yes-7, No-0
- SURPLUS ITEMS** - Motion made by Ketzak, seconded by Boeltz, to declare the attached items (Exhibit "A") as surplus and to dispose of the same.  
Yes-7, No-0
- TRANSPORTATION ROUTING SOFTWARE** - Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Ketzak, to approve the purchase and use of "Transfinder" a bus routing software program.  
Yes-7, No-0
- APPOINT SCHOOL PHYSICIAN- DR. MARTIN MASARECH** - Motion made by Austin, seconded by Ketzak, to accept the proposal and appoint Dr. Martin C. Masarech as the school physician for the 2007-2008 school year.  
Yes-7, No-0

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- Motion made by Eldred, seconded by Ketzak, to approve the District-Wide Safety Plan as presented.

**DISTRICT-WIDE  
SAFETY PLAN**

Yes-7, No-0

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Boeltz, to accept the generous gift from Lowes of 30 arborvitae trees and 90 bags of pine mulch with a retail value of \$1400 to the elementary schools for revamping the bus circle.

**ACCEPT GIFT-  
LOWES**

Yes-7, No-0

- The Board reviewed their Outstanding Actions List for updates.
  - Capital Project Scope – 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in August 2007;
  - Wellness Committee Activities Update – written 7/3/07;

**BOARD  
OUTSTANDING  
ACTIONS LIST**

- Mr. Tim Crumb thanked the Board for allowing discussion on the proposed capital project.

**PUBLIC  
COMMENT:  
TIM CRUMB**

- Mrs. Tracy Gaylord stated that in light of the number of CSE students in Greene and the varied medical issues, the geothermal heating system and environmental implications should also be reviewed.

**TRACY GAYLORD**

- Motion made by Austin, seconded by Boeltz, to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Yes-7, No-0

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Marie Utter  
District Clerk