

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL
GREENE, NY
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2006**

A Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:02 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. Craig Ketzak
Mrs. June Cooper
Mr. Jim Strenkert (arrived @ 7:05 p.m.)
Mr. Robert Eldred

ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Christopher Austin

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Gary P. Smith, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Mark Rubitski, Business Manager
Mrs. Judy Gorton, Middle School Principal
Mr. Bryan Ayres, Intermediate School Principal
Mr. John Girton, Technology Coordinator
Mrs. Kathy Langley, CSE Chairperson
Mr. Marvin Ladner, Superintendent Buildings & Grounds

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Donna Utter, District Clerk

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- Motion made by Ketzak, seconded by Cooper, to adjourn to Executive Session for the following at 7:04 p.m.:
 - Matters pertaining to Special Education Placements;
 - Employment matters pertaining to specific individuals;Yes-5, No-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, and after review by the Board, a motion was made by Ketzak, seconded by Boeltz, to approve the following placements:

SPEC. EDUCATION PLACEMENTS

Transfer/Intake: #710006147; #710022087;
Requested Review: #710007621; #710123637;
Triennial: #710123285;
New Referral: #710007787- not eligible; #710007810;
#710021927;

Yes-6, No-0

- Motion made by Ketzak, seconded by Boeltz, to refer the recommendation on #710125028 back to the Committee on Special Education for further review.

Yes-6, No-0

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Cooper, to adjourn Executive Session at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURN EXEC. SESSION

Yes-6, No-0

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- President Cox reconvened the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

**ADD/DELETIONS TO
AGENDA**

- None.

**APPROVE MINUTES
11/1/06**

- Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Ketzak, to approve the minutes of the Board meeting held on November 1, 2006 with the following change:

*Page 3: GESPA Agreement vote - Yes-6, No-0
Yes-6, No-0*

CALENDAR:

- November 22-24- Thanksgiving Recess
- November 28- Fiscal Oversight Training 5-9 p.m. @ DCMO BOCES
- **December 1- 3:00p.m.- State Comptroller's Exit Audit Mtg.**
- December 6- 7:00p.m.-Board of Education Mtg.
- December 7- 7:00p.m.-MS/HS Concert
- December 14- Fiscal Oversight Training 5-9 p.m. @ DCMO BOCES
- December 20- 7:00p.m.-Board of Education Mtg.
- December 21- 7:00p.m.-Intermediate School Concert-Auditorium
- December 22- 1:00p.m.-Middle School Winter Carnival
- December 25-29 - Holiday Recess
- January 1 - New Year's Day Holiday
- January 2- Classes Resume
- January 3- 7:00p.m.-Board of Education Mtg.

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

- Mrs. Judy McHale invited Board members to the Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast on Friday, November 17th at 11:30 a.m.

**JEFF DUNCKLE-
POOL FACILITY
CONCERNS**

- Mr. Jeff Dunckle read a statement on behalf of the Swim Booster Club members regarding their concerns with the pool facilities. Some of the concerns cited were: replacement of broken lane lines, repair of scoreboard/timing equipment, and maintenance of locker rooms and the need for an assistant coach. Mr. Dunckle stated that the Booster Club has helped with the costs of suits, trophies and a record board. Swimming is a life-long sport and with approximately 86 athletes involved, the upkeep of facilities is a safety issue as well as a means to positively support and recognize those athletes.

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JOHN BUCK-
POOL FACILITY
CONCERNS**

- Mr. John Buck addressed the Board as the parent of swimmers regarding his concerns. Mr. Buck stated that not only are these issues safety concerns, but also damage the pride these athletes have for their school/facilities.

- Mr. Don Paukett, a resident who works at Binghamton University, said they have had similar pool maintenance issues. Over time equipment needs to be replaced, and when there are so many students involved in the program as well as the community's use, it is a worthy cause.

**DON PAUKETT-
POOL CONCERNS**

- Mrs. Pamela Thorn, a parent, presented the Board with a letter expressing her concern with the current athletic policy regarding cuts. Mrs. Thorn was upset with the way her daughter and others were cut from the J.V. Girls Basketball team and the negative impact she felt it had on the girls cut. Mrs. Thorn stated that she would like parents to have an opportunity to evaluate the coaches.

**PAMELA THORN-
ATHLETIC CUTS**

- Mr. Kevin McCauley, a parent, stated that he felt an anonymous parent evaluation of coaches was a good idea.

**KEVIN MCCAULEY
COACH EVAL.**

- Mrs. Barbara Anderson, a parent, stated that she also did not agree with cuts being made to allow younger student athletes to be moved up.

**BARBARA
ANDERSON-
ATHLETIC CUTS**

- Mr. Randy Porter, a parent, also agreed that bringing up 7th graders to play at the J.V. level and cutting sophomores was not appropriate. Mr. Porter questioned the goal of the athletic programs - titles or giving students a chance to participate.

**RANDY PORTER-
ATHLETIC CUTS**

- Mrs. Holly Mohr, a parent, expressed her concerns regarding the pool facilities: water temperature, broken benches, and timing boards. Mrs. Mohr stated that the Swim Booster parents are very supportive and are proud of the facilities and their potential and are only requesting that they be maintained properly.

**HOLLY MOHR-
POOL FACILITY**

- The Enrollment Report for the period ending 10/27/06 was noted.

**REPORTS:
ENROLLMENT RPT**

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Eldred, to create a Bus Attendant position effective November 16, 2006 as required by a student's IEP.

**EDUCATION &
PERSONNEL:
CREATE BUS
ATTENDANT
POSITION**

Yes-6, No-0

- APPOINTMENTS:**
- NORMA LESTER-
TEACHER'S AIDE** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz, to appoint Norma Lester as a Teacher's Aide as required by a student's IEP to a one-year probationary appointment effective November 16, 2006 and ending November 15, 2007.
Yes-6, No-0
- ROXANNA MCGOVERN-
PART-TIME TYPIST** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz, to appoint Roxanna McGovern as a part-time typist Effective November 16, 2006 for a one-year probationary period ending November 15, 2007.
Yes-6, No-0
- MELISSA KARPOVICH-
CHEERLEADING
ADVISOR** - Upon the recommendation of the Athletic Coordinator and the Director of Physical Education and Athletics, a motion was made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz, to appoint Melissa Karpovich as the Cheerleading Advisor effective November 16, 2006 for the 2006-2007 winter season.
Yes-6, No-0
- LINDSAY MCCANDLESS-
ODYSSEY OF THE MIND
COACH** - Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz, to appoint Lindsay McCandless as an Odyssey of the Mind Coach effective November 16, 2006 for the 2006-2007 school year.
Yes-6, No-0
- SUBSTITUTE ROSTERS** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz to appoint the following individuals to the Substitute Rosters for the 2006-2007 school year effective November 16, 2006:
* Dawn Whitman - Substitute teacher's aide, bus monitor and cafeteria worker;
* Shirley Girton - Substitute typist, bus attendant and cafeteria worker;
* Mark Lewis - Substitute bus driver.
Yes-6, No-0
- OUTSTANDING BOARD
ACTIONS LIST** - The Board reviewed/discussed their Outstanding Actions List.
Changes: Due date 12/6/06 for Board Committee Duties/Process & Board Self-Evaluation Process/Document
Add: Pool Maintenance Report - Marvin Ladner, Mr. Platta, Bldg. & Grounds Committee and Mr. Rubitski - Report Back 12/6/05.

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- Board member, Robert Eldred, reported on The recent Health Insurance Consortium Meeting he attended. Mr. Eldred reported that the Consortium is anticipating a 12% increase next year, however each district's cost is based on their enrollment so Greene's may be lower than 12%. The yearly audit of the Consortium was a clean audit and indicated that the Consortium is in sound financial condition.

**HEALTH INS.
CONSORTIUM MTG**

- Superintendent, Gary Smith, reported on the recent Chenango County School Board Assn. meeting. Dr. Richard Timms from the State-wide School Finance Consortium was the speaker. Mr. Smith reported that the consortium is working on state legislators to change the school aid formula in an effort to obtain a more equitable distribution in state aid for upstate New York.

**CHENANGO CTY
SCHOOL BOARD
MEETING**

- Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Eldred, to approve nine high school Student Council members to attend the NYSCLSA Leadership Conference in Buffalo, NY November 19th through November 21, 2006 and to approve transportation to Waterville High School where they will share a bus provided by the Waterville School District to Buffalo.

**TRIP REQUEST-
STUDENT
COUNCIL-
NYSCLSA CONF.**

Yes-6, No-0

BUSINESS & FINANCE:

**TREASURER'S
REPORTS**

- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Cooper, to accept the Treasurer's Reports for October 2006 as presented.

Yes-6, No-0

- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Cooper, to accept the Budget Status Reports for October 2006 for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund, Federal Grants and Capital Budgets as presented.

**BUDGET STATUS
REPORTS**

Yes-6, No-0

- The Budget Committee presented projected 2007-2008 budget figures for the Administration portion of the budget for the Board to review.

**BUDGET CMTTE.
REPORT**

- Mr. John Buck, a parent, thanked the Board for adding a pool maintenance report to their Outstanding Actions Lists.

**PUBLIC
COMMENT:
JOHN BUCK-
POOL MAINT.**

- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz, to adjourn to Executive Session for employment matters related to specific individuals at 8:40 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

Yes-6, No-0

- Motion made by Cooper, seconded by Boeltz
to adjourn Executive Session at 9:35 p.m.
Yes-6, No-0

RECONVENE

- President Cox reconvened the meeting at
9:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by
Strenkert to adjourn the meeting at 9:36
p.m.
Yes-6, No-0

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Marie Utter
District Clerk