

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL
GREENE, NEW YORK
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2015**

A Board of Education meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President, Ethan G. Day, in the Board of Education conference room, High School/Middle School complex, 40 South Canal Street, Greene, N.Y.

CALL TO ORDER

- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Ethan G. Day, President
Mr. Timothy Crumb, Vice-President
Mrs. Helen Hunsinger
Mrs. Karen Hendershott
Mrs. Tammie McCauley
Mr. Brian Milk
Mr. Scott Youngs

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Jonathan Retz, Superintendent
Mr. Mark Rubitski, Business Manager
Mr. James B. Walters, High School Principal
Mr. Timothy Calice, Middle School Principal
Mrs. Shelly Richards, Primary School Principal
Mr. Jordon Lilley, Buildings & Grounds and Transportation Supervisor

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Donna Utter, District Clerk

- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

- Motion made by Crumb, seconded by Youngs, to adjourn to Executive Session for the following at 6:01 p.m.:
 - To review Special Education Placements for particular students and to consider them for approval.
 - To discuss the collective bargaining negotiations involving the Greene Administrators' Association.
 - To discuss the employment history of a particular person under consideration for tenure.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Yes-7, No-0

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Crumb, to adjourn Executive Session at 6:36 p.m.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE

Yes-7, No-0

- President Day reconvened the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

RECONVENE

- 5. EDUCATION AND PERSONNEL

ADD./DELETIONS

Add: 4. Tenure Appointment – Timothy Calice, Building Principal

TO AGENDA

- Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, a motion was made by Hunsinger, seconded by Youngs, to approve the following placement(s):
#710023429; #710023338; #710023353; #710023374;
#710022830; #710023338; #710123645; #710023346;
#710022352; #710023052.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION
PLACEMENTS**

Yes-7, No-0

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APPROVE MINUTES
10/7/15**

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- Motion made by Crumb, seconded by Milk, to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on October 7, 2015 with the following correction: *Page 4 – Bus Sale On Ebay: "...the district received \$11,600 (1 bus) and \$24,300 (2 buses) for a total of \$35,900 for the three buses recently...."*
Yes-7, No-0

CALENDAR

- October 23 – Early Dismissal Drill
- October 24 – PTO Kids' Day Out & Pumpkin Run
- October 28 – Budget Cmte. Meeting – 4:00 p.m.
- October 31 – Community Halloween Dance (Grades 6-12) @ MS/HS Gym – 7:00-10:00 p.m.
- November 2 – Adult Walker Program Begins
- November 2 – Community Drug Awareness Event 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. – HS Gym
- November 4 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- November 6 – Health Insurance consortium – 6:30 p.m.
- November 6-7-8 – MS Footlights Presents *Peter Pan Jr.*
- November 11 – Veterans' Day
- November 14 – Father Daughter Dance
- November 18 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- November 25-27 – Thanksgiving Recess

**BOARD MEETING
SCHEDULE CHANGE**

- Motion made by Hendershott, seconded by Crumb, to move the November 18, 2015 Board meeting to November 30, 2015 to accommodate a required Board meeting to elect a BOCES Board member and to cancel the December 2, 2015 Board meeting.
Yes-7, No-0

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Mr. Trass handed out a flyer regarding the November 2, 2015 Heroin Awareness Night and asked that Board members help spread the word through the organizations they are involved with.

**REPORTS:
ENROLLMENT REPORT**

- The Enrollment Report for the first day of school with an enrollment of 1023 was noted. A report showing Enrollment totals for the past 10 years was also noted.

**BOARD COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

- None.

TRANSPORTATION:

- None.

EDUCATION & PERSONNEL:

- **The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following board action:**

APPOINTMENT(S):

PART-TIME (.4 FTE)

SUBSTITUTE -

SHELBE FURMAN

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Crumb, to appoint Shelbe Furman as a .4 FTE Part-Time Substitute effective September 1, 2015 and not to exceed June 30, 2016.
Yes-7, No-0

**SUBSTITUTE ROSTER
ADDITION**

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Crumb, to appoint Charlotte Allgaier as a Substitute School Nurse UPK-12 for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.
Yes-7, No-0

**COACHING
APPOINTMENTS**

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Crumb, to appoint the following coaches for the 2015-2016 school year:
Boys' Basketball:
JV – Brendan Eggleston
Unpaid Volunteers – Jeff Barry, Chris Wentlent, Evan Moxley

- Girls' Basketball:

Varsity – Dave Gorton
JV – Christine McCabe
Modified 8 – Rick Smith
Unpaid Volunteer – Jessica Smith

Wrestling:

Varsity Assistant – Tom Voorhis

Bowling:

Varsity – Donna Utter

Boys' Swimming:

Varsity – Mike Platta
Varsity Asst. – TBA – ending confirmation of 20+ participants

Spring 2016 – Baseball:

Varsity – Ron Rapp

Yes-7, No-0

*Board member Youngs commented that he believes that the District should fill coaching vacancies with the most qualified candidate regardless of their teaching status.

- Motion made by Hendershott, seconded by Youngs, to approve the 7th Grade Trip Request to Albany, NY on May 6, 2016, pending approval of transportation by the Transportation Supervisor.

Yes-7, No-0

**TRIP REQUEST(S):
7TH GRADE TO
ALBANY, NY**

- Motion made by McCauley, seconded by Hendershott, to increase the annual stipend for substitute callers (Teri Winsor and Linda Johnson) by \$200 for each position effective September 1, 2015.

Yes-7, No-0

**SUB CALLERS'
STIPEND INCREASE**

- Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion made by Crumb, seconded by McCauley to make the following appointment of Tenure:

Name of Appointee:	Timothy Calice
Tenure Area:	Building Principal
Date of Commencement of Service on Tenure:	October 22, 2015
Certification Status:	School Building Leader – Professional

Yes-7, No-0

**TENURE APPT. –
TIMOTHY CALICE-
BUILDING PRINCIPAL**

- Motion made by Milk, seconded by Hendershott, to accept the Internal Claims Auditor Report for September 2015 as presented.

Yes-7, No-0

**BUSINESS & FINANCE:
INTERNAL CLAIMS
AUDIT REPORT**

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Hendershott, to approve the Lease Agreement between Opportunities for Chenango and Greene Central School District for September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 at a monthly cost of \$400.00 and to authorize the Board President to sign said Lease Agreement On behalf of the District.

Yes-7, No-0

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR
CHENANGO LEASE
AGREEMENT**

- Mark Rubitski, Business Manager, reviewed the requirements of the Affordable Care Act and the consequences (fines) of not meeting the requirements. Mr. Rubitski reviewed the District's responsibility, what minimum essential coverage is, how to determine full time employees requiring coverage, reporting, and penalties for non-compliance.

AFFORDABLE CARE

**AFFORDABLE CARE
ACT-ONGOING
EMPLOYEES RESOL.**

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Crumb, to approve the Affordable Care Act Ongoing Employees Resolution which determines full-time status for eligibility of health insurance coverage. (Attached as Exhibit "A")
Yes-7, No-0

**AFFORDABLE CARE
ACT- VARIABLE HOUR/
NEW PART-TIME/ NEW
SEASONAL EMPLOYEES
RESOLUTION**

- Motion made by Crumb, seconded by Youngs, to approve the Affordable Care Act Variable Hour/New Part-Time/New Seasonal Employees Resolution which determines status for eligibility of health insurance coverage. (Attached as Exhibit "B")
Yes-7, No-0

**ONGOING
DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- 1. Board of Education Goals:

- (1) Cultivate and maintain partnerships with students, parents, staff and the Greene community.
- (2) Support the District's LINKS developed goal of "strengthening literacy across the content areas".
- (3) Research, identify and participate in targeted School Board Professional Development with the intent of strengthening the Board's effectiveness.

**Specific bullet items to be added under goals at the next meeting.*

2. Lacrosse Team:

The Board continued discussions regarding the feasibility of starting a modified lacross program. The following are highlights from that discussion:

- No increase in insurance premiums – would fall under current liability;
- No requirement but recommended that equipment be reconditioned each year;
- Still liability concerns regarding athletes using their own equipment;
- Athletic programs and coaches have been reduced in the past due to numbers and fiscal climate;
- Program and coaches for lacrosse were not budgeted for;
- Fundraising by lacrosse club was mentioned as a way to fund the program;
- Costs compound as program goes from modified to varsity;
- Club option still open with the use of our fields;
- Need to take care of concerns with current programs before adding additional programs;
- Could consider a possible share with Oxford .

After discussion, the consensus of the Board was to not add a lacrosse program this year and to continue to support the club program as we have. The Board also requested a review of our current programs regarding numbers and needs. Superintendent Retz will follow up with a letter to the club explaining the Board's position at this time.

**OUTSTANDING BOARD
ACTIONS LIST**

<u>Bd. Mtg. Directed</u>	<u>Task To Be Completed</u>	<u>Responsibility Of</u>	<u>Report Back</u>
3/7/07	Policy/Procedure Manual	Board and Superintendent	Ongoing
7/15/15	Chrome Book Classroom Use	Board and Superintendent	Jan. 2016
4/28/15	Budget Presentation/BOCES Budget		TBD
10/7/15	Dept. Chair Update Work Session		Jan. 2016
Add: 10/21/15	Update on Innovative Practices Mini-Grants		Nov-Jan

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**

- Superintendent Retz reported on the following:

1. Sports Teams – Field Hockey team won their game 3-2 and will play Whitney Point at Whitney Point on Tuesday, October 27th. Boys' Soccer will play their Sectional second round on Saturday. Football – Homecoming was very nice and the football team played well. Their last game is home Friday, October 23rd.

2. October 9th Conference Day – The morning focused on Literacy throughout the curriculum. In the afternoon staff Broke out into various technology sessions – Chrome Book, web page, and library on-line database were some of the choices. A survey has been distributed for feedback on the day.

3. CPR Requirement – As was mentioned by the PE Department previously, basic CPR is now a graduation requirement. Secondary students will be instructed on basic CPR in their PE class and then Mr. Platta who is CPR certified will instruct students in small groups with hands-on practice on mannequins.

4. APPR – A waiver will be submitted to SED this week which will allow the district to continue to use last year's APPR through this year. This will allow more time to work through all the details and submit the required revised APPR plan.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:
MARIE SCOFIELD**

- Marie Scofield, GTA President, thanked the Board for approving the 7th grade class trip to Albany and granting Mr. Calice tenure. She also recognized and thanked the Board for all they do in honor of Board Appreciation Week.

- Sue Proscia, Bus Driver, also thanked the Board for all they do. **SUE PROSCIA**

- Timothy Calice thanked Superintendent Retz for the tenure recommendation and stated that it was a nice surprise. **TIMOTHY CALICE**

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Hunsinger, to adjourn to Executive Session for the following at 7:32 p.m.: **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- To discuss a labor relations matter involving the Greene Teachers' Association and a particular employee.

Yes-7, No-0

- Motion made by McCauley, seconded by Crumb, to adjourn Executive Session at 9:31 p.m. **ADJOURN EXECUTIVE**

Yes-7, No-0

- President Day reconvened the meeting at 9:31 p.m. **RECONVENE**

- Motion made by Milk, seconded by Youngs, to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 p.m. **ADJOURNMENT**

Yes-7, No-0

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Marie Utter
District Clerk