

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL, GREENE, NY
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2020**

The Regular meeting of the Greene Central School Board of Education was called to order at 6:02 p.m., by Board President, Brian Milk, in the Board Conference Room, High School/Middle School complex, South Canal Street, Greene, NY. Due to the COVID-19 health emergency, the board meeting room was closed to the public, with some board members in attendance and others accessing the meeting individually through Zoom or tele-conference. Members of the public could also access the meeting through Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER

Zoom Link: <https://E2CCB-GST.zoom.us/j/99463154823>

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT/PARTICIPATING:

ROLL CALL

Mr. Brian Milk, President
Mr. Nicholas Drew, Vice-President
Mr. Douglas Markham (via Zoom)
Mr. Seth Barrows
Mr. Andrew Bringuel, II (via Zoom)
Mr. Scott Youngs
Mr. John Fish (via Zoom)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Timothy Calice, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Mark Rubitski, Business Manager (via Zoom)

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Donna Marie Utter, District Clerk (via Zoom)

- None.

ADD/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

- Superintendent Calice again thanked all staff throughout the district for their continued efforts to meet the student and families needs. He also appreciates the support and patience the families and community have shown.

GOOD NEWS – DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

- Motion made by Drew, seconded by Youngs, to approve the minutes of the regular Board of Education meeting held on April 1, 2020 as presented.

4/1/2020 MEETING MINUTES

Yes-7, No-0

- May 11 – Public Budget Hearing – **Postponed**
- May 11 – Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
Discussion on whether or not to leave the date for the next Board meeting as May 11th as originally scheduled (which was in conjunction with the public budget hearing) or change it. After discussion, it was agreed by the Board to leave the meeting as originally scheduled.

CALENDAR

- May 19 - Budget VOTE – **Postponed**

- Although New York State Law does not require that a school board hold a public comment period, even when meetings are held as normal, the Greene CSD Board of Education is committed to transparency and exceeding what is legally required in order to

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- ensure your concerns are heard. Instead of a traditional public comment period, the board requested public comments be transmitted to the following email address: communication@greenecsd.org. Comments received prior to 4:00 p.m., on April 20, were read into the record.
- No public comments were received.

REPORTS: - None.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS: - None.

TRANSPORTATION: - None.

ANNUAL BOCES VOTE & BOARD MEMBER ELECTION - Motion made by Fish, seconded by Drew, that the Greene Central School Board of Education hereby casts its vote(s) in the annual election of members of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services for the following individuals:
√ Brian Milk – Greene C.S.D.
√ Linda Zaczek - Gilbertsville-Mt. Upton C.S.D.
Yes-7, No-0

BOCES ADM. BUDGET - BE IT RESOLVED, upon a motion made by Youngs, seconded by Barrows, the Greene Central School Board of Education does hereby approve the proposed Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Administrative Budget for the 2020-2021 school year in the amount of \$2,379,500.
Yes-7, No-0

- Superintendent Calice commented that originally there was going to be a 2% increase over last year's budget. However, area Superintendents' successfully pushed for the budget to remain the same in light of the proposed cuts to state aid.

EDUCATION & PERSONNEL - **The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following Board actions:**
- No items.

BUSINESS & FINANCE: REVENUE & BUDGET STATUS REPORTS - Motion made by Drew, seconded by Barrows, to accept the Budget Status Reports for March 2020 for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund, and Federal Grants & Capital Budgets as presented.
Yes-7, No-0

CONTRACT FOR HEALTH SERVICES JOHNSON CITY CSD - Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Barrows, to approve the Contract with Johnson City CSD to provide health and welfare services for two (2) Greene CSD student for the 2019-2020 school year and to authorize the Board President to sign the contract and the district to pay the Invoice in the amount of \$752.
Yes-7, No-0

CAPITAL PROJECT CONTRACT AWARD-SMITH SITE DEVELOPMENT, LLC - Motion made by Markham, seconded by Youngs, to award a Cooperative Purchase Agreement to Smith Site Development, LLC, 1249 Front St, Suite 110, Binghamton, NY to procure the purchase and installation of lockers through Gordian in the

- amount of \$81,300.98 and to authorize the Board President to sign said Contract on behalf of the district.

Yes-7, No-0

- Superintendent Calice outlined the finalized proposed budget for the 2020-2021 school year approved by the Budget Committee. This year, the normal budgetary process has been totally changed due to the COVID-19 health crisis. Current guidance is that Boards should wait to adopt their budgets until after April 30th realizing that budget votes and financials are still a moving target. **DISCUSSION ITEMS: BUDGET COMMITTEE UPDATE**

- Preliminary state aid projections received in January projected Greene's state aid to increase by \$240,000 for the 2020-2021 school year.
- April state aid numbers indicated that the \$240,000 was eliminated and our state aid was frozen at the 2019-2020 level.
- The Governor has developed a new format for the distribution of state aid, due to limited revenue coming into the state. The state's revenue will be reviewed (3) times during the year. April 1 - April 30, May 1-June 30, July 1 - December 31. Depending on the financial health of the state after each of those assessment periods, the Governor and the budget director would determine the distribution of aid across the state.
- Budget amount of \$28,078,535 is a \$1,066,002 increase or 3.95% increase from our current budget. The increase is almost completely due to contractual expenses.
- The proposed budget would include a Tax levy of \$1.23% which only generates \$87, 083.
- Several Additions to the budget for 2020-2021 include:
 1. Strategic Planning, Vision/Mission & 5 year strategic plan for the district
 2. BOCES Data Management Services
 3. Purchase of used Plow truck/sander
 4. Communications Coordinator (Pete Mansheffer) – we are already utilizing this service, just formally putting it into the budget
 5. One Teaching position
- Three of the five additions would be aidable
- Reductions to the budget for 2020-2021 include:
 1. Two retirements (one will be replaced the other position will not)
 2. Three Net Teaching positions
- Allocations out of Reserves - \$457,208 - we are currently predicting a \$250-\$300,000 fund balance for this year. Therefore, an additional allocation of approximately \$157,000 of reserves would be needed to balance the budget.

- This is a solid budget which will maintain instructional programs and allow us to scrutinize where we can cut without sacrificing positions.

- Superintendent Calice reported on a recent meeting of the Buildings & Grounds Committee related to the Capital Project. He highlighted the following: **BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE UPDATE:**

- SED approval on Phase 1 of our capital project has been received which will include the MS/HS parking lots, lockers, tennis courts, outdoor basketball courts, and door lock sets at the primary and intermediate schools.
- Approval of the Smith Site Development, LLC Contract will allow them to proceed with ordering lockers.

- At the May 11th meeting there will be additional contracts and purchasing agreements for the rest of Phase 1 construction. We are an essential business so all of our construction work can go ahead as planned.
- The formal audit for the EPC is also starting so that it can be completed in the next 2-3 months and submitted to SED with Phase 2 of the capital project. By running the EPC in parallel with the capital project we have been able to re-allocate about 1.2 million dollars back into the project. This will allow us to put a full cafeteria and kitchen in the intermediate school and create a new layout to the high school office that will allow a much needed large conference room to be added to this campus.

REVIEW BOARD

OUTSTANDING ACTION LIST:

Directed Date:	Task:	Responsibility Of:	Report Back:
7/10/19	Board Training	Board & Superintendent	Ongoing
9/18/19	Board Goals	Board & Superintendent	Ongoing

- No changes.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT:**

- **Superintendent Timothy Calice reported on the following:**
- Nothing more to add.

**REVIEW COMMITTEE
SCHEDULE:**

Committee Name:	Last Meeting:	Next Meeting:
Budget	April 16, 2020	
Building & Grounds	April 16, 2020	
Transportation	Nov. 13, 2020	
Audit	Oct. 5, 2019	
Curriculum & Technology	Aug. 15, 2018	
Policy	Mar. 25, 2020	

- No changes.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Motion made by Drew, seconded by Barrows, to adjourn to Executive Session for the following at 6:22 p.m.:
 - To discuss the performance of a particular person.
- Yes-7, No-0

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Barrows, to adjourn Executive Session at 6:49 p.m.
- Yes-7, No-0

RECONVENE

- President Milk reconvened the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

- Motion made by Fish, seconded by Barrows, to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m.
- Yes-7, No-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Marie Utter
District Clerk