

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL, GREENE, NY
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Greene Central School Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m., by President, Brian Milk, in the Board of Education Room, High School/Middle School complex, South Canal Street, Greene, NY.

CALL TO ORDER

- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Brian Milk, President
Mr. Scott Youngs, Vice-President
Mrs. Tammie McCauley
Mr. Seth Barrows
Mr. Jason Burghardt
Mr. Nicholas Drew
Mr. Douglas Markham

ROLL CALL

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Gordon Daniels, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Mr. James Walters, High School Principal
Mr. Timothy Calice, Middle School Principal
Mr. Bryan Ayres, Intermediate School Principal, Director of Athletics & PE
Mrs. January Pratt, Primary School Principal
Mrs. Sarah Wiggins, Director of Special Programs

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Donna Utter, District Clerk

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Drew, to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:01 p.m. for the following:
 - To review Special Education placements for particular students and to consider them for approval.
 - To discuss a matter leading to the appointment of a particular person.
 - To discuss a matter leading to the employment of a particular person.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Yes-7, No-0

- Motion made by Markham, seconded by Burghardt, to adjourn Executive Session at 6:45 p.m.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Yes-7, No-0

- President Milk reconvened the meeting 6:47 p.m.

RECONVENE

- 7. EDUCATION & PERSONNEL

3. Resignation(s):

Add: Resignation of Kylie Hrehor, Modified 7/8 Field Hockey Coach

Add: Resignation of Jake Carle, Modified Football Coach

4. Appointment(s):

Add: Fall Coaches – Modified Football 7/8 and Field Hockey Unpaid Volunteer

Add: 6. Permission for Superintendent to make an appointment pending board approval (for needed time sensitive appointments such as coaches)

Add: 7. Create Elementary Ed. RTI Position

ADD/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

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**SPECIAL EDUCATION
PLACEMENTS**

- Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, a motion was made by Burghardt, seconded by Barrows, to approve the following placement(s): #710022713; #710023608.
Yes-7, No-0

**APPROVE MINUTES
8/2/17**

- Motion made by McCauley, seconded by Barrows, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting held on Wednesday, August 2, 2017 as presented.
Yes-7, No-0

CALENDAR

- August 18, 2017 – Fall Parent/Athlete Meeting – 6:00 p.m. Auditorium
- August 21, 2017 – Chenango County School Boards Association Mtg. – 6:00 p.m.
- August 30, 2017 – Board of Education Retreat – 5:00 p.m. Board of Education Room
- August 31, 2017 – Intermediate School Band Recruitment – 6:00 p.m.
- September 4, 2017 – Labor Day
- September 5, 2017 – Staff Development Day
- September 6, 2017 – First Day for Students
- September 6, 2017 – Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:
CLAIRE MOXLEY**

- Claire Moxley, a Junior, read a statement requesting the Board to consider her requested to change her final grade average in 9th grade Common Core Algebra to reflect the higher score (72 to 86) received when she retook the Regents as a Sophomore, which would raise her GPA. She feels that the 2 point difference could be what separates the Valedictorian from the Salutatorian and affect scholarship awards. The regents score received was 1/5th of the course final average as it represented the final exam for that course. She stated that the Student Handbook does not state that the first score received on a regents exam is the only score used to calculate the final average and class rank and the wording is subject to interpretation and not clearly written.

BRIAN MILK

- President Milk addressed the Board as Director of the Greene Youth Football League, commended Dave Gorton, Varsity Football Coach, for holding trainings for youth football coaches and helping fit youth athletes with the proper helmets. Input from Varsity coaches is a great asset for the entire program.

JAMES WALTERS

- James Walters, High School Principal, presented the Board with a spreadsheet showing each high school teacher and the amount of money they spent this year for regular supplies, bid supplies, and textbooks. He offered this information due to a lengthy discussion at the previous meeting regarding what teachers have available to spend for supplies. The average expenditure per person for supplies/bid items was \$868.72.

TIMOTHY CALICE

- Timothy Calice, Middle School Principal, stated that middle school teachers are not held to a \$250 limit for supplies either. They submit their requests and then they are reviewed as to whether or not they meet the overall total budget amount for supplies.

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BRYAN AYRES**

- Bryan Ayres, Intermediate School Principal, stated that it is rare that staff in his building go without what they need. Sometimes money needs to come from grants, or other programs to help meet those needs, but it is tough.

SCOTT YOUNGS

- Board member Youngs explained that through budget cuts, supply budgets were cut from \$1,000 per teacher to \$250 and because we had a good year and have some excess funds, the Board was looking at doing something to help meet the teachers' needs.

SHANNON LIVINGSTON

- Shannon Livingston, Elementary Teacher, stated that she has had to stay within the \$250 limit and it is very difficult especially when teachers are moved from one grade level to another.

DOUGLAS MARKHAM

- Board member Markham stated that every year he receives a note home asking for tissues, wipes, etc. and while he doesn't mind sending items in, he feels the school should be able to purchase those items in bulk for a lower price and make them available to staff.

**INTERIM SUPT.
DANIELS**

- Interim Superintendent Daniels stated that his experience has been that you ask teachers to order what they need and then go back to them if cuts are needed. He also stated that there are districts who allow teachers to take a blanket purchase order of a specified amount to go to a store where the district has an account and purchase what they need up to the amount of the purchase order. He suggested that each building administrator submit a copy of their budgets for the Board to review, so that they can see how building monies are distributed.

BRYAN AYRES

- Bryan Ayres, Director of Athletics & PE, commended Dave Gorton, Varsity Football coach, for working with parents and coaches to be sure the 2 female athletes trying out for football are safe during drills and practices.

NICHOLAS DREW

- Board member Drew, commented that he had individuals approach him on improvement on the appearance of the buildings and grounds (mostly mowing). He passed on some concerns/recommendations to Interim Superintendent Daniels who passed them on to the grounds crew and they should be recognized for following through and making the improvements.

**BOARD COMMITTEE
ASSIGNMENTS 2017-
2018**

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Burghardt, to appoint the following Board members to Board Committees for the 2017-18 school year as listed below:

Buildings & Grounds:	Nicholas Drew, Douglas Markham & Scott Youngs
Transportation:	Brian Milk, Douglas Markham & Scott Youngs
Employee:	Douglas Markham, Seth Barrows & Tammie McCauley
Budget:	Seth Barrows, Tammie McCauley & Jason Burghardt
Audit:	Jason Burghardt, Nicholas Drew & Tammie McCauley

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BOARD COMMITTEES: Curriculum/Technology: Scott Youngs, Jason Burghardt & Seth Barrows
Legislative: Tammie McCauley, Brian Milk & Douglas Markham
Tenure: Scott Youngs, Seth Barrows & Brian Milk
Classification: Entire Board
Sabbatical: Nicholas Drew, Tammie McCauley & Seth Barrows
Policy: Brian Milk, Scott Youngs & Jason Burghardt
Yes-7, No-0

REPORTS: - None.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS: - None.

TRANSPORTATION: BUS ROUTES 2017-2018 - Motion made by Youngs, seconded by McCauley, to approve the Bus Routes for the 2017-2018 school year as presented.
Yes-7, No-0

TRANSPORTATION REQUEST- APPLE FEST - Motion made by McCauley, seconded by Youngs, to approve the Transportation Request from the Methodist Church for a shuttle bus and driver to be used during Apple Fest on September 23, 2017.
Yes-7, No-0

EDUCATION & PERSONNEL CREATE POSITION-TEACHER AIDE - **The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following Board actions:**
- Motion made by McCauley, seconded by Youngs, to create a Teacher Aide position to meet requirements of a specific student's IEP effective September 1, 2017 for a one-year probationary period ending June 30, 2017.
Yes-7, No-0

SUBSTITUTE ROSTER 2017-2018 - Motion made by Burghardt, seconded by Drew, to approve the Substitute Roster for the 2017-2018 school year as presented.
Yes-7, No-0

RESIGNATION(S): PATRICIA HOWELL TEACHER AIDE - Motion made by Burghardt, seconded by Markham, to accept the resignation of Patricia Howell, Teacher Aide, effective August 31, 2017.
Yes-7, No-0

COACHES-MODIFIED FOOTBALL & MODIFIED 7/8 FIELD HOCKEY - Motion made by Burghardt, seconded by Markham, to accept the resignation of Jacob Carle as Modified Football Coach and Kylie Hrehor as Modified 7/8 Field Hockey Coach, effective August 17, 2017.
Yes-7, No-0

APPOINTMENT(S): MELISSA NEUDEL-LTA - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Youngs, seconded by Burghardt, to make the following appointment:
Name of Appointee: Melissa Neudel
Tenure Area: Licensed Teaching Assistant
Date of Commencement of Probationary Service: September 1, 2017

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- Expiration Date of Appointment: June 30, 2021
 - Certification Status: Eligible for License
- Yes-7, No-0

- Motion made by Markham, seconded by McCauley, to appoint Dennis Symons as Interim Head Bus Driver, effective August 17, 2017.
- Yes-7, No-0

**DENNIS SYMONS-
INTERIM HEAD BUS
DRIVER**

- Motion made by Drew, seconded by Markham, to appoint Gerald Abbey, Jr. as Interim Facilities Director, effective August 17, 2017.
- Yes-7, No-0

**GERALD ABBEY, JR.-
INTERIM FACILITIES
DIRECTOR**

- Motion made by McCauley, seconded by Markham, to appoint Susan Proscia as Dispatcher, conditional appointment, effective August 17, 2017. One year probation period will commence upon appropriate placement on the Civil Service exam list.
- Yes-7, No-0

**SUSAN PROSCIA-
DISPATCHER**

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Burghardt, to appoint Beth Ann Kinney as a Substitute Teacher K-12, effective September 1, 2017.
- Yes-7, No-0

SUBSTITUTE ROSTER

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Drew, to appoint the the following fall coaches effective August 17, 2017:
 - Dan Wickham – Modified 7/8 Football Coach
 - Jahna Driscoll – Field Hockey Unpaid Volunteer Coach
- Yes-7, No-0

COACHES

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Markham, to withdraw previous abolishment (7/13/17) of Lita Greene, Teacher Aide, position effective August 31, 2017 due to a reassignment effective September 1, 2017.
- Yes-7, No-0

**WITHDRAW
ABOLISHMENT
AIDE POSITION-
LITA GREENE**

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Markham, to withdraw previous abolishment (7/13/17) of Patsy Thatcher, Teacher Aide position effective August 31, 2017 due to a reassignment effective September 1, 2017.
- Yes-7, No-0

**WITHDRAW
ABOLISHMENT
AIDE POSITION-
PATSY THATCHER**

- Motion made by McCauley, seconded by Markham, to authorize the Interim Superintendent to make appointments pending Board approval.
- Yes-7, No-0

**SUPT. AUTHORIZATION-
APPOINTMENTS PENDING
BOARD APPROVAL**

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Markham, to create an Elementary Education RTI position effective September 1, 2017.
- Yes-7, No-0

**CREATE ELEMENTARY
EDUCATION RTI POSITION**

- Motion made by Burghardt, seconded by Drew, to approve the second reading and adoption of the following policies as read:
 - Policy #85 – Extra Classroom Activity Funds-SED Policy (former #5520)

**SECOND READING
& ADOPTION OF
REVISED POLICIES
#85 – 93**

- Policy #86 – Education of Homeless Children and Youth (*former #7232*)
- Policy #87 – Dress Code (*former #7410*)
- Policy #88 – Participation by Home Schooled Students in Extracurricular Activities (*new*)
- Policy #89 – Ineligibility for Extracurricular Activities (*former #7360 – unchanged*)
- Policy #90 – Census and Register of Students with Disabling Conditions and Census Form (*new*)
- Policy #91 – Hearing Officer Expense Reimbursement (*former #7360*)
- Policy #92 – Hearing Officer Hourly Rate and Travel Reimbursement (*former #7771*)
- Policy #93 – Independent Educational Evaluation (*former #7750*)

Yes-7, No-0

**BUSINESS & FINANCE:
OBSOLETE/SURPLUS
PRIMARY SCHOOL
FURNITURE & EQUIP.**

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Burghardt, to declare primary school furniture and equipment listed on Exhibit "A" attached hereto as obsolete/surplus and to dispose of the same.

Yes-7, No-0

**TRANSPORTATION
CONTRACT WITH
OXFORD ACADEMY**

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by Burghardt, to approve the Transportation Contract between Greene Central School and Oxford Academy and Central School District for the 2017-2018 school year and to authorize the Board President and Superintendent to sign said contract on behalf of the district.

Yes-7, No-0

**TRANSPORTATION
CONTRACT WITH
SETH BARROWS**

- Motion made by Youngs, seconded by McCauley, to approve the Transportation Contract between Greene Central School and Seth Barrows for the 2017-2018 school year and to authorize the Board President and Superintendent to sign said contract on behalf of the district.

Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-1(Barrows)

TAX WARRANT

- Motion made by Burghardt, seconded by Youngs, to approve the 2017-2018 tax warrant in the amount of \$6,775,660. A Summary of the Tax Roll is attached here to as Exhibit "B".

Yes-7, No-0

**REFUNDING BOND
RESOLUTION**

- Motion made Barrows, seconded by Youngs, to approve the attached resolution (Exhibit "C") authorizing the issuance pursuant to § 90.00 or § 90.10 of the Local Finance Law of Refunding Bonds of the Greene Central School District, Chenango County, New York, to be designated substantially "School District Refunding (Serial) Bonds", and providing for other matters in relation thereto and the payment of the bonds to be refunded thereby. A role call vote was taken:

Youngs - Yes	Barrows - Yes
Drew - Yes	McCauley - Yes
Markham - Yes	Milk - Yes
Burghardt - Yes	

Yes-7, No-0

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- Board member Drew stated that signage at the Nature Trail was discussed during a safety and security meeting as there are instances of non-school individuals walking by buildings to access the nature trail during school hours (7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.).
- The Buildings & Grounds Committee will discuss this as well as possible signage for the track at the high school/middle school and then make a recommendation to the entire Board.

**ONGOING
DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**REVIEW BOARD
OUTSTANDING ACTION LIST:**

Directed Date:	Task:	Responsibility Of:	Report Back:
3/7/2007	Policy/ Procedure Manual	BOE and Superintendent	Ongoing
5/4/2016	District Safety Plan	Superintendent	Aug. 31, 2017
1/25/2017	Review of Implementation of Anti-Discrimination & Sexual Harassment Policies	BOE and Superintendent	Sept. 6, 2017
7/21/2017	Number of Board Mtgs. Per Month	BOE	Nov. 1, 2017

*Anti-Discrimination & Sexual Harassment Policies – Board member McCauley gave board members a draft of what her concerns are for them to review.

*District Safety Plan – Interim Superintendent Daniels stated that there has been an initial meeting and they are continuing to work on the plan.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

- **Interim Superintendent Gordon Daniels reported on the following:**

APPR – some minor changes were made and the GTA is reviewing the changes with the hope of having it submitted before September 1st.

TECHNOLOGY PLAN – The plan was prepared by Kim Kalem, who did an excellent job identifying needs and preparing the plan. Board members received the plan also. Interim Superintendent Daniels stated that the next step is to review the plan with administrators to see how best to implement the plan.

**REVIEW COMMITTEE
SCHEDULE:**

Committee Name:	Last Meeting:	Next Meeting:
Budget	April 19, 2017	
Building & Grounds	May 17, 2017	
Transportation	Nov. 2, 2016	
Employee	Feb. 1, 2017	
Audit	Sept. 21, 2016	
Curriculum & Technology	June 7, 2017	
Legislative		
Tenure		
Sabbatical		
Policy	Feb. 15, 2017	

*Budget Committee: Board member McCauley would like a budget committee meeting to discuss the possibility of going back to including the public and staff in the budget process.

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PUBLIC COMMENT: - Meryt Allmendinger, Bus Driver, thanked the Board
MERYT ALLMENDINGER for appointing Sue Proscia and Dennis Symons tonight. She stated that they are both very dedicated and knowledgeable. She also voiced her concern that an individual may be dismissed with a severance pay while someone else is working hard for a minimum amount of pay. She would like to see the district attorneys and funds available to help defend employees who are trying to defend themselves as a result of issues with a dismissed school employee. She feels the district has a moral obligation to support this employee financially.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Motion made by McCauley, seconded by Markham, to adjourn to Executive Session for the following at 8:08 p.m.:

- To discuss a matter relating to the performance of a particular person.
- To discuss a matter leading to the discipline of a particular person.

Yes-7, No-0

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION - Motion made by Youngs, seconded by McCauley, to adjourn Executive Session at 9:59 p.m.
Yes-7, No-0

RECONVENE - President Milk reconvened the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT - Motion made by Barrows, seconded by Drew, to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 p.m.
Yes-7, No-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Marie Utter
District Clerk