

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL, GREENE, NY
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2020**

The Regular meeting of the Greene Central School Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m., by Board President, John Fish, in the Auditorium, High School/Middle School complex, South Canal Street, Greene, NY.

CALL TO ORDER:

- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. John Fish, President
Mr. Douglas Markham, Vice President
Mr. Seth Barrows
Mr. Nicholas Drew
Mr. Scott Youngs
Mr. Brian Milk

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Andrew Bringuel, II

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Timothy Calice, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Cliff Jones
Mrs. Nicole Knapp
Mr. Mark Rubitski
Mr. Bryan Ayres
Mrs. Penny Connolly
Mrs. January Pratt
Mr. Mark Wilson

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Theresa Brant, District Clerk

None

FIRST EXECUTIVE SESSION:

N/A

RESUME REGULAR MEETING:

None

ADD/DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

Senior Leah Decker has signed with the University of Albany to play field hockey. Other seniors are receiving college acceptance letters. We will share more of those as time goes by.

GOOD NEWS: DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

Our Middle School did a phenomenal job of raising "Coins for Cans" at their recent event, collecting over \$900 to purchase food for the annual food drive. The Middle School held a "Socktober" sock drive for the Rotary collecting 337 pairs of socks for those in need! Our High School and Middle School are now competing in a "can war" collecting food for our Rotary. This speaks volumes about our students and staff helping others.

For the Holiday Season, we have students volunteering to ring the bell for the Red Kettle campaign, and have already collected nearly \$500. All our students and staff have gone above and beyond to help our Rotary provide for those less fortunate in our community.

Mr. Calice and the BOE continue to express their gratitude to all staff members for working harder than ever before to provide the best possible education for our students while keeping them safe. We are fortunate to have such a committed faculty and staff.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

PLACEMENTS: Motion by Milk, second by Markham to approve recommended CSE placements listed below:

REQUESTED REVIEW:

#710023951
#710023120
#710024046

TRANSFER/INTAKE:

#710024218

AMENDED/MODIFIED IEP:

#710022621

Yes 6-No-0

APPROVE MINUTES 11/18/2020 MEETING: Motion made by Youngs, second by Milk, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on November 18, 2020.
Yes-6-No-0

CALENDAR: January 13, 2021 – ½ Day UPK-6
January 18, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – No School
January 27 – ½ Day UPK-6
January 27, Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

REPORTS: The Enrollment Report was presented for the Board's information.

STRATEGIC PLAN: Superintendent Calice presented the 2020-21 Strategic Plan "**BLUEPRINT FOR EXCELLENCE**" which was devised by a committee including educators, school staff, parents, business leaders and community members. On motion by Markham, second by Youngs, the Strategic Plan was approved as presented.
Yes 6-No-0

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Transportation Committee Report was given by Mr. Brian Milk who reviewed the bus replacement schedule for 2021-22. A BUS VOTE date was established for February 23, 2021 with the snow date being February 25, 2021. The vote will be to purchase replacement buses for a total not to exceed \$296,767. It was noted that the propane buses are only getting approximately three (3) mpg, while the gas/diesel buses are getting seven (7) mpg. He reiterated the district's goal of keeping buses for less than ten (10) years and following the replacement plan to keep the district's debt flat.

Budget Committee Report was given by Mr. Calice. There is no significant news since the last board meeting. Everything appears to be delayed or stalled at the State and Federal levels – we have no information to move on. It appears the BEST CASE

scenario for the next year will be our aid remaining flat. Therefore, cost savings must be implemented this year.

Motion by Milk, second by Youngs: approve the Recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Merger of Schools for athletic activity with Oxford Academy for wrestling for 2020-21 season.
Yes 6-No-0

**ATHLETIC
MERGER
OXFORD
ACADEMY**

Motion by Milk, second by Youngs: approve the recommendation of the Superintendent, and approve the Merger of Schools for athletic activity with Oxford Academy for bowling for the 2020-21 season.
Yes 6-No-0

**EDUCATION &
PERSONNEL:**

RESIGNATIONS:

Motion by Barrows, second by Markham, to accept the resignation of Tina Miller from position as bus driver effective 11/25/2020.
Yes-6 – No-0

MILLER

Motion by Barrows, second by Markham, to accept the resignation to retire, with appreciation for service, of Rosemary Badger from her position as cafeteria worker effective 6/30/2021.
Yes-6 – No-0

BADGER

Motion by Barrows, second by Markham, to accept the resignation to retire, with appreciation for service, of Patrick Jay Hall from his position as teacher effective 8/17/2021.
Yes-6 – No-0

HALL

APPOINTMENTS:

Senior Class Advisor – Michelle Schieve for 2020-21
Interact Club Co-Advisors – Matt Butler & Jim deHaan for 2020-21.

**CO-CURRICULAR
ADVISORS:**

Motion by Barrows, second by Markham, to appoint the following Winter coaches effective at the start of the appropriate season, which has been adjusted due to COVID.
Yes-6 – No-0

**WINTER
COACHING:**

BOYS BASKETBALL

Change from Modified 8 to JV

Rick Tallman

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Modified 7

Matt Butler

BOWLING

Varsity

Jeff Biviano

BOYS SWIMMING

Modified

Jamie Milk

**SUBSTITUTES:
HOLLENBECK**

Motion by Barrows, second by Markham, to appoint Monica Hollenbeck as Substitute Teacher effective Dec. 10, 2020
Yes-6 – No-0

SUBSTITUTES:

AIDES: Motion by Barrows, second by Markham, to expand the prior appointment of all substitute teacher aides to cover as substitute teachers K-12 when no teacher substitute is available. Not to exceed June 30, 2021.

Yes-6 – No-0

ACADEMIC CALENDAR MODIFICATION: Motion by Barrows, second by Markham, to approve the school calendar change to include the following half-days for students in grades UPK-6.

Yes-6 – No-0

- January 13 & 27
- February 10 & 24
- March 10 & 24
- April 14 & 28
- May 12 & 26
- June 9

INSTRUCTIONAL SICK BANK WORSNOPP Motion by Barrows, second by Markham, to approve the withdrawal of 60 days for Emily Worsnopp covering December 3, 2020-March 8, 2021.

Yes-6 – No-0

BUSINESS & FINANCE:

REVENUE & BUDGET STATUS REPORTS Motion by Milk, second by Barrows to approve the Revenue & Budget Status Reports for October and November, 2020, as presented.

Yes-6-No-0

TREASURER'S REPORTS - ACTIVITY FUNDS: Motion by Milk, second by Barrows to approve the Treasurer's Reports for Activity Funds as presented.

Yes-6-No-0

INTERNAL CLAIMS AUDIT REPORT: Motion by Milk, second by Barrows, to approve the Internal Claims Auditor Report as presented.

Yes-6 –No-0

SURPLUS: Motion by Milk, second by Barrows, to approve the disposition of a John Deere 60" model X700 riding lawn mower.

Yes-6-No-0

INSERO EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT – CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN: Motion by Milk, second by Barrows, to accept the corrective action plan as submitted by INSERO as part of the external audit report as presented.

Yes-6-No-0

Motion by Milk, second by Barrows, to approve the proposed bus purchase for 2021-22 to spend up to \$296,767 with a public vote on February 23, 2021 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. with a back-up snow date of February 25, 2021 – 11:00 a.m. -8:00 p.m.

BUS REPLACEMENT PLAN:

Yes-6-No-0

Motion by Milk, second by Barrows, to approve the Tax Certiorari Reserve Account Transfer for \$32,394.24 to make tax settlement payments to Mirabito & Herbert Farms.

TAX CERTIORARI TRANSFER:

Yes-6-No-0

Mr. Rubitski gave updates on the BTD Health Insurance Consortium meeting.

HEALTH INS. CONSORTIUM:

Mr. Rubitski gave updates on the Workers' Compensation Alliance meeting.

WORKERS' COMP. ALLIANCE:

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mr. Calice indicated that Phase II of the Capital Project is approaching. The plans have been approved by NYSED and permits have been obtained. Bids will be going out next week with the opening scheduled for January 6, 2021. At this time, 11 contracts are anticipated. There will be approvals required at the next Board of Education meeting scheduled for January 6, 2021, with the remainder being approved at the January 27, 2021 Board of Education Meeting.

Our athletes are preparing for swim and bowling to begin next Monday. High risk sports such as wrestling and basketball are still on hold. The concern regarding spectators is still being discussed and we anticipate the MAC League will vote on this soon.

REVIEW COMMITTEE SCHEDULE:

Committee Name:	Last Meeting:	Next Meeting:
Budget	Dec. 2, 2020	
Building & Grounds	Oct. 21, 2020	After Jan. 6, 2021
Transportation	Dec. 2, 2020	
Audit	Oct. 7, 2020	
Curriculum & Technology	Aug. 15, 2018	
Policy	June 17, 2020	

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jason Burghardt spoke regarding his displeasure about how the government and the school district have handled the global pandemic and the fact that students are required to wear masks. Mr. Calice invited Mr. Burghardt to contact him directly regarding specific questions.

Board President Fish reminded the public that while the board allows comments at meetings, it is not intended as a question and answer period.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

Motion by Youngs, second by Markham to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

ADJOURN:

Yes-6- No-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Brant
District Clerk