

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL  
GREENE, NEW YORK  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2014**

A Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President, Richard Boeltz, 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. Richard Boeltz, President  
Mr. Ethan Day, Vice-President  
Mrs. Tammie McCauley  
Mr. Timothy Crumb  
Mrs. Karen Hendershott  
Mr. James Strenkert (arrived @7:08)  
Mrs. Helen Hunsinger

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

Mr. Jonathan Retz, Superintendent  
Mr. Mark Rubitski, Business Manager  
Mr. James Walters, Executive Principal 6-12  
Mr. Timothy Calice, Director CSE/Associate Principal 6-12  
Mrs. Shelly Richards, Primary School Principal

**OFFICERS PRESENT:**

Mrs. Donna Utter, District Clerk

- Motion made by Day, seconded by Crumb, to adjourn  
**SESSION**

to Executive Session for the following at 7:02 p.m.:

- Special Education Placements
- Confidential Personnel Matter
- Negotiations Update

Yes-6, No-0

**EXECUTIVE**

- Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, a motion was made by Hendershott, seconded by Crumb, to approve the following placement(s):  
#710123498; #710023195; #710023188; #710023110;  
#710022580; #710022617.

Yes-7, No-0

**SPEC. EDUCATION  
PLACEMENTS**

- Motion made by Day, seconded by Crumb, to adjourn  
**EXECUTIVE**

Executive Session at 7:42 p.m.

Yes-7, No-0

**ADJOURN**

**SESSION**

- President Boeltz reconvened the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

- 4. EDUCATION AND PERSONNEL

Add: Appointment(s):

Boys' Asst. Swim Coach – Kris McDermott

3. Create Homebound Instructor Position

**ADD./DELETIONS  
TO AGENDA**

## **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2014**

### **APPROVE MINUTES 12/18/13**

- Motion made by Hendershott, seconded by Day, to approve the minutes for the work session and regular meeting held on December 18, 2013, as presented.  
Yes-7, No-0

### **CALENDAR**

- January 15, 2014 – Budget Cmte. Meeting – 4:30 p.m.  
- January 17 – Staff Development Day – No Students  
- January 20 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – No School  
- January 22 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.  
- January 27-30 – Regents Exams  
- January 29 – Budget Cmte. Meeting – 4:30 p.m.  
- January 31 – Regular Day of School (Staff Development Day moved to 1/17)  
- February 5 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- None.

### **REPORTS:**

- None

### **EDUCATION AND PERSONNEL:**

**The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following Board actions:**

#### **APPOINTMENT(S): JENNIFER DECKER - 1-1 TEACHER AIDE**

- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Hunsinger, to appoint Jennifer Decker as a 1-1 Teacher Aide as required by a specific student's 504 Accommodation Plan as long as the plan is in place, effective January 9, 2014 for a one-year probationary period ending January 8, 2015.  
Yes-7, No-0

#### **SUBSTITUTE ROSTERS**

- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Hunsinger, to appoint Carrie Cashen as a Substitute Bus Driver for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year.  
Yes-7, No-0

#### **BOYS' ASSISTANT SWIM COACH – KRIS MCDERMOTT**

- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Hunsinger, to appoint Kris McDermott as the Boys' Assistant Swim Coach effective December 19, 2013 for the remainder of the 2013-14 winter season.  
Yes-7, No-0

#### **REQUEST FOR UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE- KIM BOELTZ, LTA**

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Day, to approve the request of Kim Boeltz, LTA, for a three (3) day unpaid leave of absence covering February 5, 6, and 7, 2014.  
Yes-6, No-0, Abstain – 1 (Boeltz)

#### **CREATE HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTOR POSITION**

- Motion made by Day, seconded by Crumb, to create a Homebound Instructor position effective January 9, 2014 (15 hours per week) to be used as needed.  
Yes-7, No-0

#### **BUSINESS & FINANCE: INTERNAL CLAIMS AUDITOR'S REPORT**

- Motion made by Crumb, seconded by Day, to accept the Internal Claims Auditor's Report for November 2013 as presented.  
Yes-7, No-0

**BOARD OUTSTANDING  
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
7/17/13	Dept. Chair Presentation	Superintendent	July/August
8/7/13	Revenue & Budget Status Review	M. Rubitski	12/4/13

**SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT:**

- **Superintendent, Jonathan Retz, reported on the following:**
  - 1. APPR** – Waiting for the GTA to meet and approve the plan.
  - 2. Albany Update** – A waiver has been approved concerning 8<sup>th</sup> grade students taking both the Algebra Regents and 8<sup>th</sup> grade assessment, whereby they are not required to take both exams.
  - 3. Senator Flanagan** – through hearings held throughout the state, concerns regarding the Common Core (testing and privacy issues) have been voiced. Meaningful feedback from a good cross section of constituents has been received. A list of recommendations has been prepared for SED.
  - 4. Governor's Address** – Superintendent Retz highlighted some the Governor's proposals:
    - Universal full day –pre-k program. The majority of the money looks to be for NYC schools, but no details on funding available.
    - 2 billion dollars for educational technology bonds to help level the playing field between districts and provide more equal access for students across the state.
    - New York State has gone from a 10 billion dollar deficit to a 2 million dollar surplus.
    - Full scholarship to SUNY or CUNY students in the top 10% of class who are pursuing a math or science major and are willing to work 5 years after graduation within New York State.
    - Teacher incentive/performance plan which includes a \$20,000 bonus to teachers who receive a "highly effective" within the APPR. Criteria for eligibility is unclear at this time.
    - Legislative action regarding reporting requirements related to bullying, harassment and discrimination possible reportable to state police.
  - 5. UPK Grant** – Greene was notified before Christmas break that the UPK extension grant we were seeking was denied. Schools that were chosen for the grant were bigger city school districts.

- None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Crumb, to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. for a negotiations update.  
Yes-7, No-0

**EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Strenkert, to adjourn Executive Session at 8:52 p.m.  
Yes-7, No-0

**ADJOURN  
EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

- President Boeltz reconvened the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

- Motion made by Crumb, seconded by Day, to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 p.m.  
Yes-7, No-0

**ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Marie Utter  
District Clerk