

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL, GREENE, NY
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2022**

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CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Greene Central School Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President, John Fish, in the Board of Education Conference Room, Middle School/High School campus, South Canal Street, Greene, New York.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. John Fish – President
Mr. Douglas Markham – Vice President
Mr. Seth Barrows
Mr. Andrew Bringuel, II (arrived at 7:03 p.m.)
Mr. Nicholas Drew
Mrs. Natalie M'Mahon
Mr. Brian Milk

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Timothy Calice, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Nicole Knapp, Director of Special Programs
Mr. Mark Rubitski, Business Official

OFFICER(S) PRESENT:

Mrs. Shiela Walker, Clerk of the Board

FIRST EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

None.

GOOD NEWS ~ DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

Mr. Calice announced that today was National Paraprofessional Appreciation Day and then acknowledged, and thanked, several that were in the audience.

Mr. Calice said that Greene Central School had four (4) girls that were recognized as Midstate Athletic Conference (MAC) Basketball All-Stars: First team all-stars were Olivia Kennedy, Payton Yahner, and Abby Yahner. Cassie Butler was named a second team all-star. The MAC Coach of the Year went to Mr. Gorton. Mr. Calice congratulated all of them on representing GCS well and being recognized by the league.

Next, Mr. Calice congratulated the Footlights Cast and Crew for an outstanding production last weekend of *Guys and Dolls*. He said that it did not disappoint and thanked all the volunteers that made it possible. He also thanked our staff for their hard work and guidance as well as our students and said they were outstanding!

Mr. Calice announced that on April 5th the Greene Robotics Club attended the annual Southern Tier Robotics Competition co-sponsored by SUNY Broome and the Eastern Southern Tier STEM Hub. He said that the team was made up entirely of rookies and they had to design a robot that would clear wiffle balls from their side and place them on their opponent's side. While the team did not place, he stated that our students paid close attention to what the successful teams did, taking stock for next year. All three are excited for 2023's competition and are already modifying their robot for next year. Finally, Mr. Calice said that the team also had the opportunity to see the Endicott Police Department's bomb detection robot.

Mr. Calice stated that the Primary School had a visit from the REV Theatre Company (formerly known as Merry-Go-Round Playhouse) on Tuesday and they performed *The Boy Who Cried Wolf*. The actors visited classrooms prior to their performance to teach the students about acting. He said that it was great to have a live performance.

Also, at the Primary School Mrs. Roth's second grade students hatched ducklings in their class. He said there is a nice group for the kids to explore.

Finally, Mr. Calice said that Greene Central School had an excellent conference day on March 18th. He stated that it was made possible by about twenty-five (25) staff members that shared their knowledge and passions with their colleagues. He announced that GCS also had the Lourdes "Mission in Motion" Mammography Van here that day to support both our staff and the community with cancer screenings. Mr. Calice thanked Lisa Craver for arranging this event again this year. Finally, he thanked Marie Scofield for recruiting and organizing all the presenters for the day and said that she did an outstanding job.

SPECIAL EDUCATION PLACEMENTS

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, a motion was made by Markham, seconded by Bringuel, to approve the following placements:

ANNUAL REVIEW:

#710022442
#710023826
#710023750
#710024251
#710023125
#710023344
#710023923
#710023608
#710022794
#710123338

REQUESTED REVIEW:

#710023666
#710024035

TRANSFER/INTAKE:

#800000144

NEW REFERRAL:

#710125281
#710125272
#710024132

504 ACCOMMODATION PLAN (Annual Review):

#710023658
#710023110
#710023353
#710023169
#710023862
#710023390
#710023930

AMENDED/MODIFIED IEP:

#710023460
#710024105

Yes – 7, No – 0

**APPROVE MINUTES OF 3/15/22 BUS VOTE AND 3/16/22
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Motion made by Bringuel, seconded by Milk, to approve the March 15, 2022 Bus Vote minutes as well as the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on March 16, 2022, as presented.

Yes – 7, No – 0

CALENDAR

- April 7 – Kindergarten Information Night – 6:30 p.m.
- April 11 - 15 – Spring Recess – No School (Offices Closed April 15th)
- April 18 – Board of Education Candidate Election Petitions Due by 5:00 p.m.
- April 20 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- April 26 – National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony – 6:00 p.m.
- April 26 - 28 – NYS Math Testing, Grades 3-8
- May 9 – Annual Budget Hearing – 6:00 p.m. – Auditorium
- May 14 – Prom – 7:00 p.m. & PTO After Prom
- May 17 – Annual Budget Vote & School Board Member Election –
11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. – Auditorium Lobby
- May 18 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Fish asked that the first Public Comment Period be used for items that are on this evening's Agenda and reminded guests that there is a three-minute time limit per person with a total of thirty (30) minutes for both sessions.

There were no public comments.

REPORTS

With respect to the most recent Enrollment Report, Mr. Calice explained that the number of 9th grade students has dropped due to the Stillwater RTF closing, home schooling, and some moving out of the district. The report was accepted as presented.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

OTHER ITEMS

None.

TRANSPORTATION

Motion made by Drew, seconded by Milk, to accept the Non-Public Transportation Roster for 2022-23 as presented.

Yes – 7, No – 0

VOTE TELLER & INSPECTOR RECOMMENDATION

Motion made by Markham, seconded by Bringuel, to approve Kimberly Ford as a Vote Teller and to appoint her as a Vote Inspector for District Votes.

Yes – 7, No – 0

EDUCATION & PERSONNEL:

The Superintendent of Schools recommended the following Board actions:

DELANY M^cDONALD - SUBSTITUTE

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to appoint Delany M^cDonald as a substitute Teacher P-12, effective April 7, 2022.

Yes – 7, No – 0

JOSE SILVA - SUBSTITUTE

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to appoint Jose Silva as a substitute Bus Monitor, effective April 7, 2022.

Yes – 7, No – 0

JOSE SILVA – CUSTODIAL WORKER

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to appoint Jose Silva to a full-time Custodial Worker position, effective March 23, 2022 for a one-year probationary period ending March 22, 2023.

(Mr. Silva was provisionally appointed prior to the Board Meeting.)

Yes – 7, No – 0

GEORGE FLANAGAN – REQUEST FOR UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to approve the Request for an Unpaid Leave of Absence of George Flanagan, Part-Time Cafeteria Worker, for four (4) days covering March 23 through March 28, 2022.

Yes – 7, No – 0

MARY LUDOLPH – REQUEST FOR UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to approve the Request for an Unpaid Leave of Absence of Mary Ludolph, Typist, for two (2) days covering April 14 and 18, 2022.

Yes – 7, No – 0

COACHING APPOINTMENTS – SPRING 2022 SEASON

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to appoint the following Spring 2022 Coaches, effective March 28, 2022:

SOFTBALL

Modified Assistant Brent Kim

BASEBALL

Modified Assistant Clint Williamson

Mr. Drew asked that Mr. Calice clarify why we need additional coaches. Mr. Calice then reported that we had a large number of athletes on both modified teams, thereby needing to add assistant coaches.

Yes – 7, No – 0

SEVENTH GRADE TRIP REQUEST

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to approve the trip request for the 7th grade class to Albany, NY on June 10, 2022.

Yes – 7, No – 0

EIGHTH GRADE TRIP REQUEST

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to approve the trip request for the 8th grade class to Scranton, PA on May 23, 2022.

Yes – 7, No – 0

BUSINESS & FINANCE:

INTERNAL CLAIMS AUDITOR REPORT – FEBRUARY 2022

Motion made by Bringuel, seconded by Milk, to accept the Internal Claims Auditor Report for February 2022 as presented.

Yes – 7, No – 0

DCMO BOCES COOPERATIVE PURCHASING RESOLUTIONS FOR 2022-2023

Motion made by Bringuel, seconded by Milk, to authorize the Clerk of the Board to certify the Board's adoption of the DCMO BOCES Cooperative Purchasing, Generic, and Cafeteria Supplies & Food Bid Resolutions for 2022-23.

Yes – 7, No – 0

ESTABLISHMENT OF CAPITAL RESERVE FUND – Voter Proposition

Motion made by Bringuel, seconded by Milk, to approve the establishment of a capital reserve for consideration through public vote.

Yes – 7, No – 0

2022-2023 PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET

Motion made by Bringuel, seconded by Milk, to approve the 2022-23 General Budget as presented.

Mr. Calice reminded the Board that they would be approving a General Fund budget of \$30,346,400, which is an increase of \$1,674,402 at a tax levy increase of \$145,655 or two percent (2%).

Yes – 7, No – 0

DISCUSSION ITEMS

GREENE ROTARY – DOG CLEANING STATIONS

Mr. Calice informed the Board of Education that there would be no action necessary on their part but that the Greene Rotary #4877 wanted to discuss a proposal they have and wanted to be sure that there were no concerns. Mr. Calice also reminded the Board that there are no GCS policies regarding dogs on the property at the Primary and Intermediate campuses.

Jessica Schindler, Grants Chair for the Greene Rotary, stated that every year they receive grants that help the Greene Central School District, the two most recent being the 3D printer in the High School and books for the 5th grade. Ms. Schindler said that this year Rotary's topic is "environment". In collaboration with the Village of Greene and Greene Central School, the Rotary club would like to apply for a grant for several dog cleaning stations to be placed around the Village and at the Primary and Intermediate buildings. For the stations that will be placed on school property, student organizations will be assisting by cleaning up and placing supplies as well as reporting on usage. It was asked that GCS provide a letter to Greene Rotary stating that the school district is willing to sustain this project after the cleaning stations are placed.

Based on Mr. Drew's experience with stations that are currently at the Ball Flats, he had some questions and suggestions with respect to what to expect in the future.

REVIEW BOARD OUTSTANDING ACTIONS LIST

Directed Date	Task	Responsibility	Report Back
7/10/2019	BOE Training	BOE & Superintendent	Ongoing
9/18/2019	BOE Goals	BOE & Superintendent	Ongoing

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Calice told the Board that interviews have begun for various positions and that he anticipates having recommendations on some of these positions at the April 20th meeting.

Mr. Calice announced that GCS has met with Cornell Cooperative Extension and will be working with them through a BOCES COSER to bring Agriculture in the Classroom back to the district. He stated that the focus this year will be at the Intermediate School with a few activities in the Primary School. Plans will be built by working with grade level teams to support and extend their curriculum.

Next, Mr. Calice told the Board that now that we are coming out of the pandemic, GCS is working on refocusing our work on the upcoming changes to the NYS learning standards for different content areas. He stated that the focus will be on making sure we are fully prepared to implement the learning standards by providing professional development in the areas that are needed and preparing our students for the changes in the state testing. Mr. Calice said that NYS provides roadmaps and timelines whenever changes in standards are occurring in a content area. There are standards changing in many areas, including Math, ELA, Science, Computer Science, Physical Education, Social Studies, and Languages Other Than English (LOTE).

Mr. Calice said that NYS has also created a framework for diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI). Additionally, NYS is implementing standards for social and emotional learning vis a systematic whole school plan.

REVIEW COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

Committee Name:	Last Meeting:	Next Meeting:
Audit	September 29, 2021	
Budget	March 2 & 16, 2022	March 30, 2022, if necessary
Building & Grounds	January 18, 2022	
Curriculum & Technology	August 15, 2018	
Policy	June 23, 2021	
Transportation	November 15, 2021	

PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR

None.

SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Markham, seconded by Bringuel, the meeting was adjourned to Second Executive Session at 7:29 p.m. to discuss the performance of a particular person and the Superintendent's contract. It was noted that Mr. Calice left the room at 9:25 p.m.

Yes – 7, No – 0

ADJOURNMENT SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Markham, seconded by M^cMahon, to adjourn the Second Executive Session at 9:37 p.m.

Yes – 7, No – 0

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Markham, seconded by M^cMahon, President Fish adjourned the meeting at 9:37 p.m.

Yes – 7, No – 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Shiela Walker
Clerk of the Board