

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL, GREENE, NY
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 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
Mrs. Natalie McMahon
Mr. Brian Milk
Mr. Kenneth Pickard

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Nicholas Drew

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Timothy Calice, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Christine Corey, Assistant Business Manager
Mrs. Nicole Knapp, Director of Special Programs

OFFICER(S) PRESENT:

Mrs. Shiela Walker, Clerk of the Board

FIRST EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Markham, seconded by McMahon, the Board of Education adjourned to executive session at 7:01 p.m. to discuss the employment of a particular person.

Yes – 6, No – 0

ADJOURNMENT FIRST EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Markham, seconded by Pickard, to adjourn the First Executive Session at 7:06 p.m.

Yes – 6, No – 0

RECONVENE MEETING

President Fish reconvened the regular meeting at 7:07 p.m.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

Addition to § VIII Discussion Items: Buildings & Grounds Committee upcoming meeting

GOOD NEWS ~ DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

Mr. Calice stated that this would be incorporated in the Superintendent's Report tonight.

SPECIAL EDUCATION PLACEMENTS

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, a motion was made by Milk, seconded by M^cMahon, to approve the following placements:

ANNUAL REVIEW:

#710024180
#710023618
#710023470
#710023052
#710024119

AMENDED/MODIFIED IEP:

#710023252 #710022744
#710022716 #710023288
#710023920 #710023338
#710022656 #710024170
#710023415 #710024218
#710022840

504 Accommodation Plan:

#710125266

Yes – 6, No – 0

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE 7/20/22 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Motion made by Milk, seconded by M^cMahon, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on July 20, 2022, as presented.

Yes – 6, No – 0

CALENDAR

August 31 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
September 5, 2022 – Labor Day Holiday
September 6 & 7 – Staff Development Days – No School
September 7 – Middle & High School Open House
September 8 – First Day of Classes for Students
September 12 – Intermediate Band Parent Information Night
September 14 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
September 20 – Primary School Open House
September 22 – Intermediate School Open House
October 5 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
October 6 – UPK Parent Information Night
October 7 – Staff Development Day – No School
October 10 – Columbus Day – No School (Offices Closed)
October 14 – Early Dismissal Drill

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.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart spoke on behalf of her and her husband, **Jonathan Stewart**. She said that she heard of other schools that have announced that if Covid-19 numbers go high during the upcoming academic year the districts will require masks. She further stated that she hopes that the GCS Board will keep this in mind with respect to Greene Central Schools.

Mr. Fish reminded Mrs. Stewart that the public comment period is not a question and answer period but that the Board and Administration will follow guidance from the Departments of Public Health, as they have during the entire pandemic.

Heather Krisel addressed the Board and thanked them for entertaining her request for a leave of absence. She talked about the opportunity that is before her and also said that she recently learned a former student of hers, Bethany Sortman, will be the Stage Manager.

REPORTS

There were no questions regarding the Enrollment Report that was previously presented to the Board.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Milk updated his fellow board members regarding the recent Chenango County School Boards Association meeting that he recently attended. He said that the new President and Vice President were voted in. He reminded everyone of the Meet and Greet coming up on Monday, August 15th. Mr. Milk discussed a donation that was made on behalf of the association to the Chenango Arts Council and also said that Ag in the Classroom was discussed at their meeting. Finally, Mr. Milk stated that he would like a discussion item at the next Greene Board of Education meeting regarding the possibility of recording GCS board meetings and putting them on the school's website.

BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS 2022-23

Motion made by Markham, seconded by Barrows, to approve the Board Committee Assignments that were discussed at the July 20, 2022 meeting.

Yes – 6, No – 0

EDUCATION & PERSONNEL:

The Superintendent of Schools recommended the following Board actions:

President Fish announced that Education & Personnel Item No. 5 on this evening's agenda would be voted on first. Prior to the vote Superintendent Calice acknowledged Mrs. Knapp, who was in the audience with her family, and said that the recommendation was well-deserved.

NICOLE KNAPP – TENURE APPOINTMENT

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, motion made by Milk, seconded by Markham, the following appointment if Tenure is hereby made:

Name of Appointee	Nicole Knapp
Tenure Area	Director of Special Programs
Date of Commencement of Service on Tenure	September 1, 2019
Certification Status	Professional

Yes – 6, No – 0

President Fish congratulated Mrs. Knapp on behalf of the Board of Education.

PENNY CONNOLLY – RESIGNATION

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Markham, to accept the resignation of Penny Connolly as High School Principal, effective August 26, 2022.

Yes – 6, No – 0

DAVID DANIELS – INTERIM HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Markham, to approve the Employment Agreement of the Interim High School Principal and authorize the Board President sign it. Furthermore, the Board approved the appointment of David Daniels to an Interim High School Principal position effective August 22, 2022 not to exceed June 30, 2023.

Yes – 6, No – 0

MICHELLE POIRIER – REGULAR INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENT

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Markham, to make the following appointment:

Name of Appointee	Michelle Poirier
Tenure Area:	Elementary Education
Date of Commencement of Probationary Service	September 1, 2022
Expiration Date of Probationary Appointment	August 31, 2025
Certification:	Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and Grades 1-6 – Permanent & Literacy (Birth - Grade 6) -- Professional

Yes – 6, No – 0

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HEATHER KRIESEL – REQUEST FOR UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Markham, to approve the Request for an Unpaid Leave of Absence of Heather Kriesel, Music Teacher, for the 2022-2023 school year beginning on September 1, 2022 not to exceed June 30, 2023.

Yes – 6, No – 0

COACHING APPOINTMENTS – FALL 2022 SEASON

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Markham, to appoint the following Fall 2022 Coaches, effective August 22, 2022:

FIELD HOCKEY

Unpaid Volunteer Julia Amell

VOLLEYBALL

Varsity Deb Krupp

Yes – 6, No – 0

TRANSPORTATION:

Motion made by Milk, seconded by M^cMahon, to approve the 2022-2023 bus routes, as presented.
Yes – 6, No – 0

Motion made by Milk, seconded by M^cMahon, to approve the transportation request for the shuttle bus and "Stuff a Bus" for the annual Labor Day Picnic to be held on Monday, September 5, 2022.
Yes – 6, No – 0

BUSINESS & FINANCE:

TAX WARRANT 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Barrows, to approve the tax warrant for 2022-2023.
Yes – 6, No – 0

TREASURER'S REPORTS FOR THE ACTIVITY FUND – JUNE 2022

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Barrows, to accept the June 2022 Treasurer's Reports for the Activity Fund as presented.
Yes – 6, No – 0

REVENUE & BUDGET STATUS REPORTS FOR JUNE 2022

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Barrows, to accept the Revenue & Budget Status Reports for June 2022 as presented.
Yes – 6, No – 0

BUSINESS & FINANCE (Continued)

INTERNAL CLAIMS AUDITOR REPORT

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

Yes – 6, No – 0

TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Barrows, to approve the transportation contract with the Oxford Academy & Central Schools District, as presented, and for the Board President to sign it.

Yes – 6, No – 0

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The Board of Education members discussed the Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting to be held on Monday, August 15th. The two architect firms will be presenting to the Board at 5:00 and 7:00 pm. Mr. Markham will be attending remotely. Mr. Fish cannot attend after all. Mrs. McMahon will, therefore, reach out to Mr. Drew to see if he can attend for Mr. Fish. If he cannot, Mrs. McMahon said that she will attend on his behalf.

REVIEW BOARD OUTSTANDING ACTIONS LIST

Mr. Milk requested that two items be added to the Board Outstanding Actions List: the annual review of the Superintendent's Contract (starting in March) and at the end of May the annual review of the District Clerk's salary. [These two items are now added to the chart below.]

Directed Date	Task	Responsibility	Report Back
7/10/2019	BOE Training	BOE & Superintendent	Ongoing
9/18/2019	BOE Goals	BOE & Superintendent	Ongoing
8/10/2022	Annual Review of Superintendent's Contract	BOE & Superintendent	Starting in March
8/10/2022	Annual Review of District Clerk's Salary	BOE & Superintendent	End of May

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Calice said that the State and Federal reports were being finalized.

Mr. Calice thanked the Buildings & Grounds crew for the outstanding job they've been doing to prepare the buildings for the new school year. He stated that the upper campus is almost done and they are currently working on the lower campus.

Next, Mr. Calice said that teachers and staff have been participating in professional development over the summer. He stated that the New Teacher Orientation will be held tomorrow and that New Student Orientations are also scheduled for incoming 6th and 9th graders.

Mr. Calice stated that administrators are working hard on opening day trainings for instructional and support staff; these will be held on September 6th and 7th with students returning on September 8th.

Next, Mr. Calice said that the capitol project is getting wrapped up.

Finally, Mr. Calice shared that the new BoardDocs software set up is going along well and that we anticipate being able to start using it for the August 31st meeting.

Mr. Markham asked about the nationwide teacher shortages that are being discussed on the news and asked Mr. Calice how Greene CSD is doing in this regard. Mr. Calice replied that while other neighboring districts are struggling to find certain positions, we are very fortunate and have filled all of our open instructional positions with certified teachers.

REVIEW COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

Committee Name:	Last Meeting:	Next Meeting:
Audit	September 29, 2021	
Budget	March 2 & 16, 2022	
Building & Grounds	January 18, 2022	August 15, 2022 @ 5:00 p.m.
Curriculum & Technology	April 20, 2022	
Policy	June 23, 2021	
Transportation	November 15, 2021	

Mr. Calice discussed the documentation that was recently provided to the Curriculum & Technology Committee regarding the request for two sets of novels to be purchased. This item will be on the August 31, 2022 agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR

None.

SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Markham, seconded by Milk, President Fish adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.
Yes – 6, No – 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Shiela Walker
Clerk of the Board