

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL, GREENE, NY  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 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 Vice President, Douglas Markham, 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. Douglas Markham – Vice President  
Mr. Seth Barrows  
Mr. Nicholas Drew  
Mrs. Natalie McMahon  
Mr. Brian Milk

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. John Fish – President  
Mr. Kenneth Pickard

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

Mr. Timothy Calice, Superintendent of Schools  
Ms. Christine Corey, Assistant Business Manager

**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 stated that several students including Cassie Butler, Sarah Markham, Madison Pavlovich, Natalie Specht, and Andrea Trifunovic were chosen by the Greene Rotary Club to represent them and our school at the recent Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA). He said that the students had a great time, which was apparent in the thank you notes that they wrote to our Rotary Club.

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Next, Mr. Calice congratulated Madelyn Cummings for receiving the Girls Scout Gold Award. She assisted in organizing a youth theatre workshop which helped her spread her love of music as well as making theatre accessible to all. He further stated that the Gold Award is the highest honor to be achieved in Girl Scouts, much like the Eagle rank that is earned in Boy Scouts.

Finally, Mr. Calice said that there has been a lot of positive feedback received regarding the Summer Enrichment Program that is running on campus along with the Joint Recreation Commission (JRC) Summer Program. He said that it has been very well attended with over 200 students registered. He thanked the staff and counselors for all of their assistance in making both programs a success this year.

*Mrs. McMahon asked if the representatives could attend a future Board of Education meeting to provide an update. Mr. Calice stated that he would reach out to Mrs. Knapp, Mrs. McDermott, and Mrs. Mills.*

## **SPECIAL EDUCATION PLACEMENTS**

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

### **ANNUAL REVIEW:**

#710023951	#710024247	#710024265
#710023567	#710023291	#710024111
#710023420	#710023329	#710024157
#710023483	#710023840	#710023803
#710024046	#710024257	#800000128
#710023976	#710024246	#710024101

### **PRESCHOOL ANNUAL REVIEW:**

#710024243	#710024197	#710024185
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### **NEW REFERRAL:**

#710125272	#710023768	#800000106
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### **504 Accommodation Plan Annual Review:**

#710023264	#710023706	#710023520
#710125281	#710023429	

### **504 Accommodation Plan New Referral:**

#800000055	#710024261	#710024120
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### **AMENDED/MODIFIED IEP:**

#710022624	#800000109
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### **SENIOR EXIT SUMMARY:**

#710022224	#710023152	#710022330
#710022265	#710022276	#710022314
#710022163	#710023304	#710023823
#710123625	#710023353	#710022509
#710123558	#710024076	#710123418

Yes – 5, No – 0

## **APPROVE MINUTES OF THE 7/1/22 REORGANIZATION & REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by McMahon, to approve the minutes of the Reorganization & Regular Board Meeting held on July 1, 2022, as presented.

Yes – 5, No – 0

## **CALENDAR**

August 10 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.  
August 31 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.  
September 6 & 7 – Staff Development Days – No School  
September 8 – First Day for Students  
October 5 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.  
October 7 – Staff Development Day – No School  
October 10 – Columbus Day – No School (Offices Closed)

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Vice President Markham 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**

None.

## **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None.

## **BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS 2022-23**

*Mr. Calice stated that, due to Mr. Pickard's absence this evening, they had a discussion between themselves about which committees he would be interested in serving on. Based on that feedback, and Board members present, it was decided to add the following members to these committees:*

Buildings & Grounds – Mr. Pickard  
Curriculum & Technology – Mr. Barrows  
Policy – Mr. Pickard (with Mrs. McMahon as the Chairperson)

It was noted that the Audit, Budget, Sick Bank and Transportation Committees will remain the same as the 2021-2022 academic year.

**EDUCATION & PERSONNEL:**

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

**CANDACE BLAKESLEE – RESIGNATION**

Motion made by M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, seconded by Milk, to accept the resignation of Candace Blakeslee as Special Education Teacher to accept a position as a General Education Teacher, effective August 31, 2022.

Yes – 5, No – 0

**MICHELLE POIRIER – RESIGNATION TO RETIRE**

Motion made by M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, seconded by Milk, to accept, with appreciation of service, the resignation of Michelle Poirier from Teacher position, effective June 30, 2022.

Yes – 5, No – 0

**GAVIN STAGE – RESIGNATION**

Motion made by M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, seconded by Milk, to accept the resignation of Gavin Stage from Groundskeeper position, effective July 18, 2022.

Yes – 5, No – 0

**ANTHONY DANIELS – CUSTODIAL WORKER**

Motion made by M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, seconded by Milk, to appoint Anthony Daniels to a full-time Custodial Worker position, effective July 18, 2022 for a one-year probationary period ending July 17, 2023. (Mr. Daniels was provisionally appointed prior to the Board Meeting.)

Yes – 5, No – 0

**CANDACE BLAKESLEE – REGULAR INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENT**

Motion made by M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, seconded by Milk, to make the following appointment:

Name of Appointee	Candace Blakeslee
Tenure Area:	Elementary Education
Date of Commencement of Probationary Service	September 1, 2022
Expiration Date of Probationary Appointment	August 31, 2025
Certification:	Prekindergarten, Kindergarten, and Grades 1-6 – Permanent

Yes – 5, No – 0

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**ASHLEY SCHULTHEIS – REGULAR INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENT**

Motion made by M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, seconded by Milk, to make the following appointment:

Name of Appointee	Ashley Schultheis
Tenure Area:	Elementary Education
Date of Commencement of Probationary Service	September 1, 2022
Expiration Date of Probationary Appointment	August 31, 2025
Certification:	Early Childhood Education – Birth-Grade 2 – Professional & Childhood Education 1-6 – Professional

Yes – 5, No – 0

**JULI FINCH – REGULAR INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENT**

Motion made by M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, seconded by Milk, to make the following appointment:

Name of Appointee	Juli Finch
Tenure Area:	Art Teacher
Date of Commencement of Probationary Service	September 1, 2022
Expiration Date of Probationary Appointment	August 31, 2025
Certification:	Visual Arts – Professional

Yes – 5, No – 0

**KATELYN MOODY – REGULAR INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENT**

Motion made by M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, seconded by Milk, to make the following appointment:

Name of Appointee	Katelyn Moody
Tenure Area:	Special Education Teacher
Date of Commencement of Probationary Service	September 1, 2022
Expiration Date of Probationary Appointment	August 31, 2025
Certification:	Students with Disabilities (1-6) – Professional & Students with Disabilities (Birth – Grade 2) -- Professional

Yes – 5, No – 0

**TECHNOLOGY INNOVATORS FOR 2022-23, 2023-24, and 2024-25**

Motion made by M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, seconded by Milk, to appoint the following as Technology Innovators for the 2022-23, 2023-24, and 2024-25 academic years:

Primary School Representative – Candace Blakeslee  
Intermediate School Representative – Christine Mack  
Middle School Representative – Marie Scofield  
High School Representative – Christin Ashman

Yes – 5, No – 0

**DEPARTMENT LIAISONS FOR 2022-23, 2023-24, and 2024-25**

Motion made by McMahon, seconded by Milk, to appoint the following as Department Liaisons for the 2022-23, 2023-24, and 2024-25 academic years:

Arts – Amanda Boel

Physical Education – Jesse Fendryk

Yes – 5, No – 0

**TRANSPORTATION:**

*Mr. Drew inquired about the annual transportation request for Labor Day. Mrs. Proscia, who was in the audience, stated that she had already reached out to the Labor Day Committee.*

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Drew, to approve the transportation request for the Applefest to be held on Saturday, September 24, 2022.

Yes – 5, No – 0

**BUSINESS & FINANCE:**

**GENERAL FUND BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR 2021-2022**

Motion made by Barrows, seconded by Drew, to approve the general fund transfers for 2021-2022.

Yes – 5, No – 0

**SURPLUS REQUEST – LIBRARY BOOKS**

Motion made by Barrows, seconded by Drew, to declare a variety of library books as surplus and allow for their subsequent disposal.

Yes – 5, No – 0

**SURPLUS REQUEST – AV EQUIPMENT**

Motion made by Barrows, seconded by Drew, to declare a variety of audio-visual equipment as surplus and allow for its subsequent disposal.

Yes – 5, No – 0

**INSERO & CO. AUDIT & MANAGEMENT LETTERS**

\*FOR INFORMATION ONLY – NO BOARD OF EDUCATION ACTION REQUIRED\*

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

The Board of Education members discussed rescheduling the New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA) Board Retreat that was originally planned for June. Mr. Calice reminded the Board that it would last approximately 1.5 hours and that there would be no board action items as it would be a training session. He further stated that the August 10<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> board meetings should have light agendas. Superintendent Calice will try to schedule NYSSBA for August 10<sup>th</sup>.

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Next, Mr. Drew asked, if in the future, could the Board discuss what protocol would be in place if a Board of Education member resigned. Mr. Calice stated that he would look into the options available and report back.

Mrs. McMahon talked about the topic of employee exit interviews, which was brought up during the second Public Comment session at the July 1, 2022 Regular board meeting. She stated that she felt that these can be an important and useful tool. The Board discussed the possibility of having an online form available with an optional in-person interview with the Board.

Finally, Mr. Drew mentioned that while the Board is responsible for the Superintendent's performance review, they never get a chance to get feedback from some Administrators. He stated that he felt it would be beneficial in order to know if the Board's expected goals are being met. Mr. Markham suggested that this discussion be tabled, and Mr. Barrows said that he felt it would be a good topic during their upcoming Board Retreat.

## **REVIEW BOARD OUTSTANDING ACTIONS LIST**

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

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Calice discussed the recent announcement to community members about the district providing free meals (breakfast and lunch) to all students for the next four (4) years. He also mentioned how school supplies (excluding backpacks, water bottles, and sneakers for physical education classes) would be provided to PK – 12 students for the 2022-2023 school year.

Regarding free meals, Mr. Calice stated that there had been several other districts in our region that were already doing this. He said that Connie Babino, of DCMO BOCES, has been doing an awesome job in her new capacity as Food Service Director and informed Mr. Calice that numbers are based on those in the community that qualify for Medicaid or SNAP benefits. With the assistance of Chester Corson, DCMO Cook Manager, we were able to lock in all students, in all four buildings, for the next four years.

*Mr. Barrows mentioned the Applications for Free and Reduced Price School Meals/Milk that are always included in the Fall newsletters to community members. He asked if the District would continue requesting that all parents/guardians continue to submit these applications. Mr. Calice said yes, as this provides data to help assist the District with other funding resources that are available.*

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*Mrs. M<sup>c</sup>Mahon stated that she had heard some negative comments from community members regarding the free school supplies and did not understand this, as she feels it is a benefit for families. Mr. Calice stated that the supplies were able to be purchased via school bids and that spending money on the supplies, versus putting \$15 - \$20 per student in the school's savings account, seemed to be a win-win for all.*

**REVIEW COMMITTEE SCHEDULE**

<b>Committee Name:</b>	<b>Last Meeting:</b>	<b>Next Meeting:</b>
Audit	September 29, 2021	
Budget	March 2 & 16, 2022	
Building & Grounds	January 18, 2022	
Curriculum & Technology	April 20, 2022	
Policy	June 23, 2021	
Transportation	November 15, 2021	

*A discussion was held about the need for a Building & Grounds Committee meeting to be scheduled. Mr. Calice reminded the Board that this meeting needs to be arranged in the very near future so that the District can get the architect teams in. Mr. Markham stated that he would email the committee members, and copy Mr. Calice, in order to get this arranged.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR**

Mrs. Susan Proscia mentioned the Sick Bank Committees that were reviewed during the Discussion Items section. She asked that the Board review the policy for the Non-Instructional Sick Bank.

**SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Drew, seconded by Milk, the Board adjourned to Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. to discuss the Superintendent's contract.

Yes – 5, No – 0

**ADJOURNMENT SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Drew, seconded by Barrows, to adjourn the Second Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.

Yes – 5, No – 0

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Barrows, seconded by M<sup>c</sup>Mahon, Vice President Markham adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Yes – 5, No – 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Shiela Walker  
Clerk of the Board