

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL, GREENE, NY  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2022**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Greene Central School Board of Education was called to order at 7:01 PM 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  
Mr. Nicholas Drew (arrived at 7:27 p.m.)  
Mrs. Natalie M'Mahon  
Mr. Brian Milk

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

Mr. Timothy Calice, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. Mark Rubitski, Business Official

**OFFICER(S) PRESENT:**

Mrs. Shiela Walker, Clerk of the Board

**FIRST EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA**

Addition to § III Board Committee Reports:

- BTD Health Insurance Consortium Update

Addition to § VI Education & Personnel:

5. Unpaid Leave of Absence Request – Erica Flowers, Teacher's Aide, has requested an unpaid leave of absence for one (1) day covering March 17, 2022.

Addition to § VII Business & Finance

5. Budget Calendar 2022-23 – Establish date, time and place for the Budget Hearing as well as the Annual Budget Vote & School Board Election

Addition to § VIII Discussion Items

- Board Member School Building Visits

## **GOOD NEWS ~ DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS**

Mr. Calice thanked community members for their support of the Bus Vote held last evening, which passed with an eighty-six percent (86%) approval rating.

Mr. Calice said that the Section IV Wrestling Hall of Fame recently held their annual banquet and that several athletes and coaches representing Greene were acknowledged. Hunter Page placed 8<sup>th</sup> in this year's State tournament. Our Oxford/Greene Varsity coaches, Jesse Fendryk and Craig Tefft, were honored as the MAC Coaches of the Year! Finally, he stated that 2010 GCS alumnus, Tyler Beckwith, was inducted into the Hall of Fame. Tyler was a four-time Section IV champion, four-time New York State Place finisher, and won 74 matches in a row to become a two-time State champion, receiving the state's Most Outstanding Wrestler award his senior year. Tyler became the first wrestler to win four (4) NHSCA National championships during his time in high school and then went on to receive All-American status while wrestling in college. Mr. Calice congratulated all these gentlemen on their accomplishments and for representing us well!

Next, Mr. Calice announced that the high school Academic Challenge Team traveled to SUNY Oneonta on Tuesday for the Catskill Area School Study Council Competition. Led by captain Natalie Specht, they went 2-1 and advanced to the quarterfinals. This was the first competition held in two (2) years and he congratulated the team that represented Greene: Nevaeh Arnold, Maeric Barrows, Cora Bolster, Emma Braman, Natalie Specht, Paul Starliper and Andrea Trifunovic.

Mr. Calice stated that the Intermediate School has restarted holding Student of the Month assemblies. They are meeting by grade level once a month to recognize hard work and positive choices. The building has also been highlighting various staff members on the school's website and social media.

Lastly, Mr. Calice spoke about the GCS Grades 6 through 12 band and chorus. Both groups were kept in the daily schedule last year during our hybrid/remote situation due to COVID-19. Mrs. Boel reports that this has helped Greene and we are really carrying the ensembles at the Spring All-County Festival being held this weekend. For example, we are sending eight (8) high school students in the newly created Select A Cappella group consisting of nineteen (19) singers. Finally, Mr. Calice reminded everyone that you can see many of these students sing and perform by attending the Footlights production of *Guys and Dolls* coming up on April 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> in the GCS Auditorium.

## **SPECIAL EDUCATION PLACEMENTS**

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

**ANNUAL REVIEW:**

#710023748  
#710022476  
#710024217  
#710023686  
#710023252  
#710023067  
#710023863  
#710024076  
#710123625

**PRESCHOOL**

#800000122

**NEW REFERRAL/504 ACCOMMODATION PLAN:**

#710023674

**504 ACCOMMODATION PLAN (Annual Review)**

#710022224  
#710022914  
#710022947  
#710022920  
#710023041  
#710023005  
#710023037  
#710022265

**AMENDED/MODIFIED IEP:**

#710023819

Yes – 6, No – 0 (Drew Absent)

## **APPROVE MINUTES OF 2/23/22 REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 23, 2022, as presented.

Yes – 6, No – 0 (Drew Absent)

## **CALENDAR**

March 18 – Staff Development Day – No Students

March 18 – Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Alliance Mtg. – 6:00 p.m. @ BT BOCES

March 29 - 31 – NYS ELA Testing, Grades 3-8

April 1, 2 & 3 – Footlights production of *Guys and Dolls* –

7:00 p.m. Friday/Saturday; 3:00 p.m. Sunday

April 6 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

April 11 - 15 – Spring Recess – No School (Offices Closed April 15<sup>th</sup>)

April 18 – Board of Education Election Petitions Due by 5:00 p.m.

April 20 – 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**

None.

## **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

First, Mrs. McMahon updated the Board regarding the BTD Health Insurance Consortium meeting that she recently attended. There will be another meeting in October.

Next, Mr. Calice provided the Board with information on the 2022-2023 budget, including Grant Allocations, Position Funding Sources, Reserve Balances, Tax Cap, 10-Year Budget History, and Greene Expense and Revenue Budgets for the upcoming academic year. Based on the foregoing, there is a projected estimated tax levy of two percent (2.00%). Mr. Calice will be proposing that the Board approve the budget at their April 6, 2022 meeting.

Lastly, Mr. Milk updated the Board on the Chenango County School Boards Association meeting that he attended last evening. He also announced that the Annual Spring Dinner will be held on Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> with a guest speaker from the New York State School Boards Association. Once information is received regarding the dinner it will be shared with the Board. He also said that there were discussions with BOCES Superintendent, Perry Dewey, regarding busing of students by other districts.

## **AGREEMENT WITH UPSTATE SECURITY CONSULTANTS, LLC**

Upon motion by Milk, seconded by McMahon, it was **RESOLVED** that the Greene Central School Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to sign the Agreement between **Upstate Security Consultants, LLC and the Greene Central School District.**

Yes – 7, No – 0

## **ADOPT ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR 2022-23**

Upon motion by Bringuel, seconded by McMahon, the proposed academic calendar for the 2022-23 school year was approved. Mr. Calice noted that, except for December 23<sup>rd</sup>, the calendar lines up with DCMO BOCES calendar. He also stated that next year there are hopes that the new BOCES Superintendents at BT and DCMO BOCES will work together to try and develop a calendar that is more in line with each other.

Yes – 7, No – 0

## **EDUCATION & PERSONNEL:**

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

### **DAVID KENDALL - RESIGNATION**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to accept the modified resignation date of David Kendall, Facility & Safety Coordinator, from April 15, 2022 to March 25, 2022.

Yes – 7, No – 0

**TORI JOHNSON - SUBSTITUTE**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to appoint Tori Johnson as a substitute Teacher's Aide P-12, effective March 17, 2022.

Yes – 7, No – 0

**KEVIN DONNELLY – MAINTENANCE WORKER**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to appoint Kevin Donnelly as a full-time Maintenance Worker, effective March 21, 2022, for a one-year probationary period ending March 20, 2023.

Yes – 7, No – 0

**KIMBERLY FORD – ACCOUNT CLERK/TYPIST**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to appoint Kimberly Ford to a full-time Account Clerk/Typist position, effective March 15, 2022. This is a conditional appointment. Candidate must take the Account Clerk/Typist exam or be approved by Civil Service. A one-year probationary period will begin once employee achieves acceptable placement.

Yes – 7, No – 0

**CARLA BROWN – REQUEST FOR UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to approve the Request for an Unpaid Leave of Absence of Carla Brown, Bus Monitor, for four to six (4-6) weeks starting April 5, 2022.

Yes – 7, No – 0

**ELIZABETH HITT – REQUEST FOR UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to approve the Request for an Unpaid Leave of Absence of Elizabeth Hitt, Teacher's Aide, for one (1) day covering March 25, 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 14, 2022 (Varsity/JV) and March 28, 2022 (Modified):

**SOFTBALL**

Junior Varsity	Brendan Eggleston
Modified A	Beth Specht

**BASEBALL**

Unpaid Volunteer	Clint Williamson
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Yes – 7, No – 0

**ERICA FLOWERS – REQUEST FOR UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Bringuel, to approve the Request for an Unpaid Leave of Absence of Erica Flowers, Teacher's Aide, for one (1) day covering March 17, 2022.

Yes – 7, No – 0

## **BUSINESS & FINANCE:**

### **TREASURER'S REPORTS FOR THE ACTIVITY FUND –FEBRUARY 2022**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Barrows, to accept the Treasurer's Reports for February 2022 as presented.

Yes – 7, No – 0

### **REVENUE & BUDGET STATUS REPORTS – FEBRUARY 2022**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Barrows, to accept the Revenue & Budget Status Reports for February 2022 as presented.

Yes – 7, No – 0

### **INSTALLMENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT – TECHNOLOGY**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Barrows, to approve the purchase of technology equipment as presented and to authorize President Fish to sign the agreement.

Yes – 7, No – 0

### **DCMO BOCES – UNIT COST METHODOLOGY**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Barrows, to approve the Unit Cost Methodology as presented and to authorize Superintendent Calice to sign.

Yes – 7, No – 0

### **BUDGET CALENDAR 2022-23 – ESTABLISH DATE, TIME AND PLACE FOR THE ANNUAL BUDGET HEARING and ANNUAL BUDGET VOTE & SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ELECTION**

Motion made by Milk, seconded by Barrows, to establish the date, time and place for the annual Budget Hearing and Annual Budget Vote & School Board Member Election as follows:

#### **Annual Meeting (Budget Hearing):**

Monday, May 9, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Middle/High School Auditorium, 40 South Canal Street, Greene, New York.

#### **Annual Budget Vote and School Board Member Election:**

Tuesday, May 17, 2022 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. in the lobby of the Auditorium of the Middle/High School building, 40 South Canal Street, Greene, New York.

**Board Petitions:** Must be submitted by April 18, 2022 by 5:00 p.m. (Seth Barrows, Andrew Bringuel, and John Fish seats are open.)

Yes – 7, No – 0

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **DCMO BOCES ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS**

President Fish led a discussion regarding three (3) seats that are up for election on the DCMO BOCES Board of Education and asked whether any of our current board members were interested in running. Mr. Milk commented that his time on the GCS board committees as well as his Trustee duties for the Workers' Compensation Consortium keeps him quite busy; otherwise, he would consider it. There being no nominations, this subject was closed.

**BOARD MEMBER SCHOOL BUILDING VISITS**

Next, Mrs. McMahon said that she felt that now would be a good chance for the Board to visit the school buildings as well as the bus garage and cafeterias in order to thank the staff and also see new projects. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that she would look into this and report back to her fellow board members.

**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 provided the Board with an update on the capital project and stated that most of the projects have moved into punch list items and are being addressed with contractors. He said that there are several items that still need to be completed, including the Cafeteria Media systems (which currently have no timeline for completion). The kindergarten classrooms as well as the Primary and Intermediate School gym unit ventilators will be completed in late spring or early summer. He noted that the unit ventilators were pulled out of the capital project but will be completed using federal funds. The pavilion at the Intermediate School is scheduled for completion in mid-May.

**REVIEW COMMITTEE SCHEDULE**

<b>Committee Name:</b>	<b>Last Meeting:</b>	<b>Next Meeting:</b>
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 7:50 p.m. to discuss the performance of a particular person and a negotiations update. It was noted that Mr. Calice left the room at 8:40 p.m.  
Yes – 7, No – 0

**ADJOURNMENT SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Bringuel, seconded by Markham, to adjourn the Second Executive Session at 9:18 p.m.  
Yes – 7, No – 0

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Bringuel, seconded by Markham, President Fish adjourned the meeting at 9:18 p.m.  
Yes – 7, No – 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Shiela Walker  
Clerk of the Board