

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL  
GREENE, NEW YORK  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2013**

A Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President, Christopher Cox, 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. Christopher Cox, President  
Mr. Richard Boeltz, Vice-President  
Mrs. Helen Hunsinger  
Mr. Timothy Crumb  
Mr. Ethan Day  
Mr. James Strenkert  
Mrs. Karen Hendershott

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

Mr. Jonathan Retz, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. Mark Rubitski, Business Manager  
Mr. James B. Walters, Executive Principal 6-12  
Mrs. Carole Stanbro, Primary School Principal  
Mr. Timothy Calice, Associate Principal 6-12/CSE Director  
Mrs. Mary Gell, CSE Chairperson

- Motion made by Crumb, seconded by Hendershott, to adjourn to Executive Session for the following at 7:02 p.m.:
    - Special Education Placements
    - Confidential Personnel Matter
- Yes-7, No-0

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, a motion was made by Day, seconded by Hunsinger, to approve the following placements:  
#710123433; #710022639; #710022837; #710125239;  
#710021857; #710123239; #710123249; #710125235;  
#710125130; #710123077; #710123501; #710021854;  
#710123285; #710123464; #710125240; #710123249;  
#710022617; #710021943; #710022169; #710022992;  
#710022489; #710022957; #710023009; #710022845.
- Yes-7, No-0

**SPECIAL EDUCATION  
PLACEMENTS**

- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Boeltz, to adjourn Executive Session at 7:36 p.m.
- Yes-7, No-0

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

- President Cox reconvened the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

**RECONVENE**

- Add: 3. REPORT(S)
  1. Kim Kalem – Epson Interactive Technology Projector
- Delete: 8. SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION

**ADD./DELETION  
AGENDA**

- Motion made by Hendershott, seconded by Crumb, to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on March 6, 2013 as presented.
- Yes-7, No-0

**APPROVE MINUTES  
3/6/13**

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CALENDAR**

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- March 21 – Kindergarten Parent Information Night -6:30 p.m.  
@ Primary
- March 22 – Elementary Health Fair – Primary & Intermediate  
8:30 – 1:30 p.m.
- March 26 – Music in Our Schools Concert – 7:00 p.m. –  
Auditorium
- March 28 – Budget Committee Mtg. – 7:00 a.m.
- March 29 – Good Friday – No School
- April 1-5 – Spring Recess
- April 3 – Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m. (reschedule to  
April 10)
- April 10 – BOCES Annual Meeting – Harold Campus – 6:00 p.m.
- April 12 – Workers' Compensation Consortium Mtg. – 6:00 p.m.
- April 24 – Special Date – Board of Education Mtg. – BOCES Vote  
– 7:00 p.m.
- April 25 & 26 – TV Turn Off – Family Fun Nights -6:30-7:30 p.m.  
@ High School
- April 29 – **CHANGE** – No School for Students – Staff  
Development

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** - None.

**REPORTS:** - Kim Kalem, Instructional Technology Coordinator, shared with the Board how the Epson interactive board can be used in the classroom. The interactive board allows teachers to keep more content on the board without running out of room. The board allows visual engagement of students. Mrs. Kalem shared some actual teacher lessons. She stated that teachers are really interested in the opportunities this technology affords them and are eager to learn more.

**EDUCATION AND PERSONNEL:**

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

**NON-INSTRUCTIONAL  
SICK BANK REQUEST-  
THOMAS FARGO-  
CUSTODIAN**

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Day, to approve the recommendation of the Non-Instructional Sick Bank to allow Thomas Fargo, Custodian, to withdraw an additional eleven (11) days from the Non-Instructional Sick Bank. Said withdrawal to cover the period of March 14 – 29, 2013.  
Yes-7, No-0

**SUBSTITUTE ROSTER  
MODIFICATION**

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Day, to modify Kortney Miranda's previous appointment to the Substitute Roster to Substitute Aide K-8, effective March 21, 2013.  
Yes-7, No-0

**ACADEMIC CALENDAR  
2013-2014**

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Day, to accept the 2013-2014 academic calendar as presented.  
Yes-7, No-0

**CHANGE BOE MEETING  
APRIL 3 TO APRIL 10**

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Day, to approve moving the first Board of Education meeting in April from Wednesday, April 3, 2013 to Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at the same time (7:00 p.m.).  
Yes-7, No-0

**BUSINESS & FINANCE:  
TREASURER'S &  
BUDGET STATUS RPTS**

- Motion made by Crumb, seconded by Strenkert, to accept the Treasurer's and Budget Status Reports for February 2013 for the General Fund, School Lunch Fund, and Federal Grants & Capital budgets as presented.  
Yes-7, No-0

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- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Day, to accept the Treasurer's Report for the Extra-curricular Activity Funds for February 2013 as presented.

**TREASURER'S RP  
EXTRA-CURR. FUNDS**

Yes-7, No-0

- Motion made by Day, seconded by Crumb, to accept the Internal Claims Auditor's Report for February 2013 as presented.

**INTERNAL CLAIMS  
AUDIT REPORT**

Yes-7, No-0

- Mark Rubitski, Business Manager, reviewed the status of budget development with the Board. The Budget Committee has gone through every line item of the budget. The budget is up 1.1 million from last year, due primarily to increases in uncontrollable costs associated with health insurance and retirement. Mr. Rubitski stated that he is still waiting on final budget figures from Albany. He is anticipating bringing the final budget for Board approval at the April 10, 2013 meeting.

**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

- Difference between revenue and budget - gap is \$1,331,661. Options for making up the gap include: implement cost savings budget reductions (initial projections \$400,000 – \$500,000), tax levy increase (using 2% = \$123,662 – each percent adds additional \$61,831), and use of district reserves. Using \$400,000 in budget reductions and 2% tax levy, our gap would still be \$807,999. To balance the budget with require a combination of a tax levy increase, use of district reserves, and further cost savings.

**BOARD OUTSTANDING  
ACTIONS LIST**

<u>Bd. Mtg. Directed</u>	<u>Task</u>	<u>Responsibility Of</u>	<u>Report Back</u>
1. 3/7/07	Policy/Procedure Manual	Board and Superintendent	Ongoing

**SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT:**

- **Superintendent, Jonathan Retz, reported on the following:**

**1. Children's Home** – waiting for Stillwater to complete registration paperwork for enrolling students. We are still anticipating placing the majority of the students at the Children's Home Wyoming Conference.

**2. Medicaid Claim** - To-date, we have paid legal fees in the amount of \$23,000. We are waiting for a decision from the Federal Court regarding changing the venue to a northern court where our attorney is located.

**3. Town Hall Meeting** - disappointed with the number of people who attended. Discussion was good. A parent suggested that we have the letters available at the Music in Our Schools Night for parents to pick up.

**4. Facility Use** – Discrepancy of who is assigned a charge and who is not. Large number of facility requests, falling under JRC – for teams and events, tournaments; travel teams made up of primarily Greene players, but also some others. Superintendent Retz would like it placed on a July meeting agenda for discussion by the Board.

- None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Crumb, to adjourn to the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Yes-7, No-0

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Marie Utter  
District Clerk