

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL
GREENE, NEW YORK
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2013**

A Board of Education meeting was called to order at 7:04 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 (left @ 8:45 p.m.)
Mr. Timothy Crumb
Mr. Ethan Day
Mr. James Strenkert
Mrs. Karen Hendershott

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Jonathan Retz, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. James B. Walters, Executive Principal 6-12
Mr. Bryan Ayres, Intermediate School Principal/Athletic Director
Mrs. Carole Stanbro, Primary School Principal
Mr. Timothy Calice, Associate Principal 6-12/CSE Director
Mr. Jordon Lilley, Supervisor of Transportation and Buildings & Grounds
Mrs. Mary Gell, CSE/CPSE Chairperson

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Donna Utter, District Clerk

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Crumb, to adjourn to Executive Session for the following at 7:06 p.m.:
 - Special Education Placements
 - Confidential Personnel Matter
 - Negotiations Update (moved from Second Executive Session)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Yes-7, No-0

- Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, a motion was made by Crumb, seconded by Day, to approve the following placements:
#710125214; #710123421; #710022205; #710022624;
#710022713; #710022521; #710022442; #710022379;
#710022344; #710022989; #710022834; #710022216;
#710022777; #710021980; #710123552; #710123558;
#710022163; #710022220; #710123625; #710021947;
#710125170; #710123593; #710023026; #710022794;
#710022750; #710022277; #710021980; #710022480;
#710022576; #710022509; #710022504.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION
PLACEMENTS**

Yes-7, No-0

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Crumb, to adjourn Executive Session at 7:42 p.m.

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

Yes-7, No-0

- President Cox reconvened the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

RECONVENE

- Delete: 9. SECOND EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - Negotiations Update(Moved Negotiations Update to first Executive Session)

**ADD./DELETIONS
TO AGENDA**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2013**APPROVE MINUTES****3/20/13**

- Motion made by Hendershott, seconded by Crumb, to approve the minutes for the regular meeting held on March 20, 2013 as presented.
- Yes-7, No-0

CALENDAR:

- April 10 – BOCES Annual Meeting – Harrold Campus – 6:00 pm.
- April 12 – Workers' Compensation Consortium Mtg. – 6:30 p.m.
- April 12 – PTO Family Movie Night
- April 19 – Sweets & Sounds
- April 22 – Board Petitions Due by 5:00 p.m.
- April 24 – Special Date – Board of Education Mtg – BOCES Vote 7:00 p.m.
- April 25 – 6:00 p.m. –Community Anti Bullying Program Auditorium
- April 25 & 26 – TV Turn Off – Family Fun Nights–6:30-7:30 p.m. @ HS
- April 29 – **CHANGE** – No School for Students – Staff Development Day

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Mark Rubitski, Business Manager, thanked the IT Team from BT BOCES, John McGraw, Sean Culligan, and Judy Warner for their time and effort upgrading our computer system over spring break.

REPORT(S):**ENROLLMENT REPORT**

- The Enrollment Report for the period ending February 28, 2013 with a total enrollment of 1110 was noted.

TRANSPORTATION REPORTS

- Transportation Reports for December 2012, January 2013 and February 2013 were noted. Jordon Lilley, Transportation Supervisor reported that the propane vehicles are performing well.

EDUCATION AND PERSONNEL:

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

UPK LOTTERY FOR FALL 2013

- Board members took turns drawing names to fill the 30 UPK spots for the school year 2013-2014. A total of 41 names were drawn with the additional names being placed on a waiting list.

APPOINTMENT(S): SUBSTITUTE ROSTERS

- Motion made by Hunsinger, seconded by Strenkert, to appoint the following individuals to the Substitute for the 2012-2013 school year effective April 11, 2013 except as noted:
 - Annamarie Crumb – Substitute Teacher K-12
 - Mary Lake – Substitute Teacher K-5 (following retirement)
 - Bobbie Jones – Substitute Teacher K-2 (following retirement)
- Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-1(Crumb)

COACHING ROSTER

- Motion made by Strenkert, seconded by Day, to appoint the following individuals to the Coaching Roster for the Spring 2013 season:
 - Leighann Gallagher – Unpaid Volunteer Asst. Softball Coach
 - Shane Jones – Unpaid Volunteer Asst. Baseball Coach
- Yes-7, No-0

BUSINESS & FINANCE: REINSTATE GREENE BASEBALL ACTIVITY CLUB FUND

- Motion made by Day, seconded by Crumb, to approve the reinstatement of the Greene Baseball Activity Club Fund.
- Yes-7, No-0

- Mark Rubitski, Business Manager, reviewed the final budget figures with the Board. A discussion was had regarding proposed budget cuts, what tax levy to set, and what amount to use from reserves to balance the budget.

**PROPOSED 2013-14
SCHOOL BUDGET**

- Motion made by Boeltz, seconded by Crumb, to adopt the 2013-2014 budget in the amount of \$24,391,603 with a tax levy increase of 2.85% and \$660,392 being used from reserve accounts.

**ADOPTION
OF 2013-14 SCHOOL
BUDGET**

Yes-7, No-0

**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. MEDICAID SUIT – A motion to dismiss will be filed on Friday. In conversations with our attorney, he does not feel that the Plaintiffs have a case as the school districts involved would need to have acted with "reckless disregard" which is not the case. A 60 day turn around time is anticipated regarding the motion to dismiss.

- Mrs. Kris McDermott, GTA President, thanked everyone for their time and effort working on the budget. Everyone realizes that we are down to making hard decisions.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:
KRIS MCDERMOTT**

- Mrs. Chris Paske, parent and teacher, stated that she would feel better as a taxpayer about raising the tax levy to the levy limit (2.85%) if we were saving positions/programs. Versus leaving the tax levy at 2% and using more from reserves.

CHRISTINE PASKE

- President Cox stated that the district has attempted to save programs by using reserves in the past. The proposed cuts were decided by the administrators during the budgeting process as difficult, but least impactful. Saving as much of our reserves as possible will help with anticipated future budget deficits.

- Motion made by Hendershott, seconded by Strenkert, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Yes-6, No-0

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Marie Utter
District Clerk