

Greenville Central School District
Board of Education
PROPOSED AGENDA
Business Meeting
Monday
February 8, 2010

7:00 p.m.

High School Library

- ✓ = Board action is expected.
Information noted in italics is provided as reference and/or background for the Board of Education on the particular matter or item.

I. Call to Order by President Wilton Bear, Jr.

- A. Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance**
- B. Roll call and quorum check**
- C. Introduction and welcome of visitors**
- D. Fire evacuation procedures**

✓ **II. Approval of Agenda**

III. Accolades

Congratulations to Kathleen Gruhle, Denise Mulholland, Margaret Robertson and Jane Scrafford for successfully facilitating a Pennies for Peace campaign. The Pennies for Peace campaign empowers communities in remote areas of Pakistan and Afghanistan to promote education. These faculty members used this opportunity to reinforce the character education traits of responsibility, citizenship, and empathy with our students as well as broaden cultural awareness as members of a global family. We congratulate the teachers and students for their charitable Pennies for Peace donation of \$950.50.

Congratulations to the following students that were selected from the Scott M. Ellis Fifth Grade Concert Band to participate in the Spring All-County Festival to be held March 24 and 25, 2010 at Hunter-Tannersville High School: Olivia Baumann, Flute; Amanda Terrell, Clarinet; Katherine Koehler, Alto Saxophone; Austin Case, Trumpet; Silas Yelich, Trombone; Scott Davis, Tuba and Lucas Makely, Percussion

Presentation from Joseph Chase, A Greenville Central School District 11th grade student attending Tech Valley High School.

IV. Forum

NOTE: The 30 minute forum is the time the Board sets aside to hear comments from the public. This is an opportunity for residents to voice concerns or compliments, especially about items on the agenda. However, this is not the time to register complaints about individuals or about items that have not first been addressed through proper channels.

✓ **V. Action Items: A – G:**

- ✓ **A. Accept Minutes of the Business Meeting of January 11, 2010**
- ✓ **B. Accept Treasurer's Report; Appropriation Status Reports for the General, Federal, Cafeteria and Capital Funds; Revenue Report for the General, Federal, Cafeteria and Capital Funds; Cafeteria Profit and Loss Statement; and Transfer of Funds for General Fund for the month ending January 31, 2010**

- ✓ **C. Accept Internal Claims Report for month ending January 31, 2010**
- ✓ **D. Accept Special Student Services Recommendations**
 - 1. Committee on Special Education from the meetings of January 7 and 14, 2010**
- ✓ **E. Approve Personnel Agenda** *(Please refer to the Personnel Agenda attachment)*
- ✓ **F. Business Management**
 - 1. Accept donations**
 - a. Janine's Floral Creations to the Gifted & Talented Committee for \$45.00.
(This donation is to purchase chess boards and timers for student need to benefit the Chess Club through the Gifted & Talented program.)
 - 2. Approve textbooks**
 - a. Title: U.S. History & Government
 Author: Andrew Peiser/Michael Serber
 Class: U.S. History (11th grade)
 Publisher: Amsco
 Copyright: 2006
 Cost: \$25.00 (hardcover)
 Quantity: 80
(This book will replace one purchased in 1999-2000. Recommended by Robert Gray, Social Studies Department Chairperson and HS Principal Michael Laster.)
 - b. Title: Current Issues in American Democracy
 Author: Gerson Antell/Walter Harris
 Class: Participation in Government (12th grade)
 Publisher: Amsco
 Copyright: 2001
 Cost: \$13.75 (softcover)
 Quantity: 75
(No textbook is currently used for this class. Recommended by Robert Gray, Social Studies Department Chairperson and HS Principal Michael Laster.)
 - c. Title: Economics for Everybody
 Author: Gerson Antell/Walter Harris
 Class: Economics (12th grade)
 Publisher: Amsco
 Copyright: 2007
 Cost: \$19.50 (softcover)
 Quantity: 75
(This book will replace one purchased in 2000-2001. Recommended by Robert Gray, Social Studies Department Chairperson and HS Principal Michael Laster.)
 - d. Title: Environmental Systems and Societies Course Companion
 Author: Jill Rutherford
 Class: International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme
 Environmental Systems & Societies
 Publisher: Oxford University Press
 Copyright: 2009
 Cost: \$40.00 (softcover)
 Quantity: 25
(This is a new textbook for a new course. Recommended by Rachel Anderson, Teacher and HS Principal Michael Laster.)

e. Title: Theory of Knowledge
 Author: Richard van de Lagemaat
 Class: International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme
 Theory of Knowledge
 Publisher: Cambridge University Press
 Copyright: 2005
 Cost: \$30.00 (softcover)
 Quantity: 25
*(This is a new textbook for a new course for 2010-2011 Theory of Knowledge.
 Recommended by Rachel Anderson, Teacher and HS Principal Michael Laster.)*

3. Approve 2009-2010 Tuition Rates: BE IT RESOLVED that the Greenville Central School District Tuition Rates for 2009-2010 be established as follows:

	2008/2009 Actual Rates	2009/2010 Estimated Rates
Regular Education:		
Grades K-6	\$6,261.00	\$7,060.00
Grades 7-12	\$7,127.00	\$9,427.00

Special Education:		
Grades K-6	\$23,081.00	\$22,896.00
Grades 7-12	\$23,947.00	\$25,263.00

(The estimated tuition rates are based on a formula defined in §174.2 of the Regulations of the Commissioner. In previous years the formula used allowed for two rates for Special Education students depending on the level of service. Under the new foundation aid, the formula only allows for one rate. Since we are a “closed” campus, these rates are for the students that have been grandfathered, as well as for foster students. The cost for foster students is charged back to the district that the child attended before being placed in foster care.)

✓ **G. School Management**

- 1. Approve request for an increase of \$2,000.00 in support of the Greenville Public Library for a total of \$37,000.00 to be included on the 2010 School District ballot.**
(On advice of Girvin & Ferlazzo, separate proposition(s) are required for each town library. As a point of information, the action by the voters is for the amount of only the increase. There fore, if the resolution is defeated, the funding is maintained at the level from the previous year.)
- 2. Approve Health Service Contract between the Greenville Central School District and the North Greenbush Common School District for \$236.43.**
(This contract provides services for 2009-2010 for one [1] GCSD resident student attending the LaSalle Institute in Troy in the amount of \$236.43.)
- 3. Approve Health & Welfare Service Contract between the Greenville Central School District and the Bethlehem Central School District for \$4,554.00.**
(This contract provides services for 2009-2010 for two [2] GCSD resident students attending the Bethlehem Children’s School at \$759.00 per student and for four [4] GCSD resident students attending St. Thomas the Apostle School at \$759.00 per student.)
- 4. Approve Tutorial contract between Four Winds Saratoga and the Greenville Central School District for twenty eight dollars (\$28.00) an hour for five (5) hours of instruction per week.**
(This contract is for tutorial services for one [1] Greenville Central School district

resident student at Four Winds Saratoga at \$28.00 per hour for five [5] hours of instruction per week.)

5. Approve Field Trip

Trip Destination: Plimoth Plantation, Plymouth, MA
Date: June 3, 2010; 6:30 am to 8:30 pm
Students: Grades 3 & 4, approximately 176 students
Chaperones: 3/4 Team, Aides & Nurse
(The approximate cost is \$46.00 per student. Various fundraising activities including bake sales, soup sales, spaghetti suppers and a golf tournament will help defray the financial cost per student.)

VI. Discussion

- A. Wireless service on GCSD campus ~ Scott Gardiner
- B. Annual Questar Meeting & Dinner
(Annual Meeting & Dinner to be held at the Questar III Administrative Building on Wednesday, April 14, 2010. Business meeting will start at 5:45 pm with dinner and student presentations to follow. Invitations forthcoming along with the 2010-11 tentative BOCES budget.)
- C. Questar III Conference “Responding to the Fiscal Crisis” Part II
(Saturday, March 6, 2010 from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm at the Questar III Conference Center. Lunch will be served. Invitations with RSVP dates are forthcoming)
- D. Presentation ~ Professional Development
- E. Regulation on BOE Policy 8.160-01 Use of School Facilities
- F. NYSERDA Energy Star Program
- G. Board Committee report updates
 - Quality Education Committee
 - Greenville Educational Foundation
 - Technology Committee
 - Gifted & Talented Committee
 - District Planning Committee
 - Audit Committee
 - Budget Advisory Committee

VII. Board Members’ input for possible discussion at a later date

VIII. Closing Open Forum

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IX. Executive Session

It is expected that the Board of Education will adjourn to Executive Session to discuss matters concerning particular persons. The Board will return to public session after Executive Session but will not be taking any action and then will adjourn.

Conduct of Executive Sessions: Upon a majority vote of its total membership, taken in an open meeting pursuant to a motion identifying the general area or areas of the subject or subjects to be considered, a public body may conduct an executive session for the below enumerated purposes only, provided, however, that no action by formal vote shall be taken to appropriate public moneys:

- matters which will imperil the public safety if disclosed;
- any matter which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer;
- information relating to current or future investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed;
- discussions regarding proposed, pending, or current litigation;
- collective negotiations pursuant to article fourteen of Civil Service Law;
- the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;
- the preparation, grading, or administration of exams;
- the proposed acquisition, sale, or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition, sale, or exchange of securities, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value of these things.

With certain limited exceptions, no official action can be taken on issues discussed in executive session without first returning to public session. An exception includes voting on charges against a tenured teacher. No public body, including a school board may vote to appropriate money during an executive session. All members of the board of education, other than a student board member, and any other person authorized by the board may attend an executive session. Thus, only those people invited by the board may attend. It is important that a school board exercise discretion in deciding whom to invite into executive session because of important confidentiality issues. Board members must maintain confidential information acquired in executive session.

X. Adjournment

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✓ **E. Personnel Agenda**

BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of Superintendent of Schools, Cheryl A. Dudley, that the Board of Education of the Greenville Central School District approve the following personnel appointments:

1. Unclassified

a. Leave of Absence

1. Name: Michelle Place
Position: Speech Therapist
Tenure Area: Speech~Remedial
Effective: January 19, 2010 to April 12, 2010
Category: Medical

b. Amended Leave of Absence ~ Extended

1. Name: Jennifer FitzGerald
Position: Special Education
Tenure Area: Education of Children with Handicapping
Conditions~General Special Education
Effective: January 25, 2010 through April 26, 2010
Category: Child Rearing
("...Upon the birth ...of a child, a teacher shall be entitled to an unpaid child rearing leave [per contract] contingent upon sixty (60) days notice and returning from a leave only at the beginning of a school term unless otherwise agreed to by the Superintendent...")

c. Resignation

1. Extra Duty Compensation Sports

a. Name: Richard Gage
Position: Co-Coach Boys' Modified Basketball
Effective: January 27, 2010

d. Substitutes

1. Name: Lisa Meyer
Position: Extended Term Substitute
Certification: Bachelor of Science;
Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) Initial
Effective: December 1, 2009
Salary: \$43,179.00 prorated
Status: Cleared for employment

(According to the current GFA contract Article 1.3, extended term substitute teachers are to be paid on the teacher salary schedule, at the step as determined by the District, for each consecutive day worked for the same teacher for forty-five (45) days or more. Such pay will be retroactive to the first day of employment in that assignment. Effective on the 45th day, the extended term substitute will be entitled to the benefits of the CBA.)

2. Name: Angelica Mera
Position: Substitute Teacher, per diem
(Cairo-Durham)
Certification: N/A;
Effective: February 9, 2010
Salary: \$80.00 per diem
Status: Cleared for employment
3. Name: Kendall Fritze
Position: Substitute Teacher, per diem
Certification: N/A; Bachelor of Arts; Psychology
School Counseling, Provisional
Effective: February 9, 2010
Salary: \$80.00 per diem
Status: Cleared for employment
4. Name: Substitutes per lists for 2009-2010
Positions: Teacher & Teaching Assistant

2. Classified

a. Probationary Appointment

1. Name: Randolph Brown
Position: Bus driver
Classification: GCCS Non-competitive
Permanent serving Probation: February 9 to October 19, 2010
Commencement of Service: February 9, 2010
Salary: Year 1 @ \$16.78 per hour
Status: Cleared for employment

b. Permanent from Probationary

1. Name: Sara Statham
Position: Aide/Monitor
Classification: GCCS Non-competitive
Date of Permanent Appointment: September 1, 2009
Status: Cleared for Employment
(Permanent appointment is retroactive to date of hire. The probationary period will end on February 28, 2010)

2. Name: Lisa Beattie
Position: Food Service
Classification: GCCS Non-competitive
Date of Permanent Appointment: September 9, 2009
Status: Cleared for Employment
(Permanent appointment is retroactive to date of hire. The probationary period will end on March 8, 2010)

3. Name: Tracy Churchill
Position: Food Service
Classification: GCCS Non-competitive
Date of Permanent Appointment: September 1, 2009
Status: Cleared for Employment
(Permanent appointment is retroactive to date of hire. The probationary period will end February 28, 2010)

4. Name: Pamela DeMarco
 Position: Food Service
 Classification: GCCS Non-competitive
 Date of Permanent Appointment: September 1, 2009
 Status: Cleared for Employment
(Permanent appointment is retroactive to date of hire. The probationary period will end February 28, 2010)

5. Name: Dorothy Bishop
 Position: Cleaner/Monitor
 Classification: GCCS Non-competitive
 Date of Permanent Appointment: September 1, 2009
 Status: Cleared for Employment
(Permanent appointment is retroactive to date of hire. The probationary period will end February 28, 2010)

c. Substitutes

1. Name: JoAnne Battista
 Position: Substitute LPN
 Effective: January 11, 2010
 Salary: \$80.00 per diem
 Status: Cleared for employment

2. Name: Carole Virano
 Position: Substitute Aide/Monitor & Clerical
 Effective: February 9, 2010
 Salary: Per diem: Aide Monitor \$10.54 per hour
 Clerical \$11.57 per hour
 Status: Cleared for employment

3. Name: Patricia Trippiedi
 Position: Substitute Bus Driver
 Effective: February 1, 2010
 Salary: \$13.99 per hour

4. Name: Substitutes per lists for 2009-2010
 Positions: Clerical, Food Service, Cleaner,
 Aide/Monitor, Bus Driver

Status: All conditional appointments are subject to receipt of a statement from each individual regarding criminal charges and are contingent upon receipt of criminal background clearance from the Commissioner of Education.