Greenville Central School District Board of Education PROPOSED AGENDA Business Meeting Monday January 12, 2009

Revised 01.06.09 High School Library

7:00 p.m.

 \checkmark = 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

Presentation from Joseph Chase, a Greenville Central School District 10th 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.

\checkmark V. Action Items: A − G:

- ✓ A. Accept Minutes of the Business Meeting of December 8, 2008.
- ✓ B. Accept Treasurer's Report; Appropriation Status Reports for the General, Federal, Cafeteria, Capital Funds and Student Activities; 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 December 31, 2008
- ✓ C. Accept Internal Claims Report for month ending December 31, 2008
- ✓ D. Accept Special Student Services Recommendations
 - 1. Committee on Special Education from the meetings of December 1, 3 and 4, 2008 (No Recommendations on Special Preschool)
- ✓ E. Approve Personnel Agenda (Please refer to the Personnel Agenda attachment)

✓ F. Business Management

 Approve Senior Citizen and Disabled Tax Exemption Rates for 2009: BE IT RESOLVED that the Greenville Central School Board of Education establish the Senior Citizen and Disabled Tax Exemption Rates for 2009

(By law, each municipality must adopt the Senior Citizen Tax Exemption. For the last four years the Board has adopted the same scale as Greene County (Catskill, Coxsackie-Athens, and Cairo-Durham continue to adopt the same scale). This year the Greene County Legislature will be adopting a maximum income limit of

\$19,500.00 with a sliding scale for 2009 (increase of \$1000.00). It is my recommendation that we continue to adopt the same scale as the County for the Senior Citizen Tax Exemption and the Disabled Citizen Tax Exemption.

Maximum income limit \$19,500.00	50%
\$19,500.01 - 20,499.99	45%
20,500.00 - 21,499.99	40%
21,500.00 - 22,499.99	35%
22,500.00 - 23,399.99	30%
23,400.00 - 24,299.99	25%
24,300.00 - 25,199.99	20%
25,200.00 - 26,099.99	15%
26,100.00 - 26,999.99	10%
27,000.00 - 27,899.99	5%)

2. Accept Fire Safety Reports

✓ G. School Management

1. **Budget Advisory Committee Membership:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby appoints the additional individuals to the Budget Advisory Committee for 2008-2009:

Elementary Parent Member Taknika Salvio Middle/High School Parent Member Michelle Gage

2. Approve Cross Contract with Capital Region BOCES to provide educational services to students admitted to Ellis Hospital Psychiatric Unit to provide the educational component of in-patient service for \$98.00 per day during the student's stay in the hospital.

(This provides for required educational services to any Greenville Central School District resident student[s] who may be admitted to and are eligible for services in the Ellis Hospital Psychiatric Unit during the 2008-2009 school year. This educational component offered by the Capital Region BOCES will be provided by a teacher and a teaching assistant on a full-time basis and a half-time social worker.)

3. Approve Health Service Contract with the North Greenbush Common School District in the amount of \$204.81 for one (1) Greenville Central School District resident student for the 2008-2009 school year.

(This contract provides for health and welfare services for one (1) Greenville Central School District resident student attending LaSalle Institute in Troy for the 2008-2009 school year.)

4. Approve Health Service Contract with the Bethlehem Central School District in the amount of \$4,452.00 for six (6) Greenville Central School District resident students at \$742.00 each for the 2008-2009 school year.

(This contract provides for health and welfare services for a total of six [6] Greenville Central School District resident students, three [3] students attending St. Thomas the Apostle School and three [3] students attending the Bethlehem Children's School, all within the Bethlehem Central School District, for the 2008-2009 school year.)

VI. Discussion

A. Update on Capital Projects

(An Update will be provided concerning the Ellis (EXCEL) project)

B. Saturday, January 31 Workshop

(A Board of Education Workshop will be held on Saturday, January 31, 2009 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm in the High School Library. The members of the Town and Planning Boards from the following communities within the Greenville Central School District have been invited:

Berne, Cairo, Coeymans, Conesville, Coxsackie, Durham, Greenville
New Baltimore, New Scotland, Rensselaerville, Westerlo

C. Saturday, January 24 Workshop

(The workshop scheduled for Saturday January 24, 2009 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, sponsored by Questar III BOCES, "Fiscal Decision Making for School District Leaders during Challenging Economic Times", will be held at the Questar III BOCES Conference Center. Districts are encouraged to send a team to participate including District BOE members, superintendent, as well as district and school administrators.)

- D. Gifted and Talented Committee Presentation
- E. Enews and Events Calendar
- F. Questar III Calendar for 2009-2010~Proposed
- G. NYSSBA 2009 State Issues Conference and Rally: "Fighting for Our Future" March 1, 2 and 3, 2009

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 imperial 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