

Greenville Central School District
Board of Education
PROPOSED AGENDA
Business Meeting
Monday
December 8, 2008

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

Third Annual High School Artists Exhibit~Congratulations to five Greenville High School students, from the classes of art teacher Sean Stewart, whose work will be exhibited from November 22 through December 21 at the Catskill Bookie at 347 Main Street in Catskill, New York:

Brenna Buscher, Nykee Bonneau, Allison Johnson, Emmet Ehring, and Emily Evans. This exhibit features the art work from area schools including Catskill, Coxsackie-Athens, Greenville, and Ravena-Coeymans High Schools. Appreciation is also expressed to curators Mary Finneran, Paige Ingalls, Teresa Pine, Sean Stewart, Karen Teale, and Barbara Walter.

Fall Festival 2008:

Congratulations to students from Greenville Central School District who were selected to participate in the Greene County Music Educators Fall Festival on November 7, 2008.

Elementary Chorus: Mario DeSarno, Ryan Gaudons, Taylor Lee, Angelena Louban, Joe Oliveri, Kristen Silk, Elaina Spahmer, Derrick Therrien, Urja Bhatia, McKayla Edgington, Tracey Fox, Ashley Gifford, William Koepp, Taylor McGuinness, Jose McKay, Bethany Overbaugh, and Catherine Sielaff

Junior Band: Malaina Buscher, Camryn Benjamin, Andrea Esposito, Ali Macpherson, Danielle Cavalluzzi, Chad Olmsted, Michael Schonning, Mackenzie Kiefer, Gerald Manning, Xavier Hawkins, Erica Hamilton, Kole Klob, Kate Kulas, David Herbstritt, Brandon Maxwell, Marcel Dupuis, Conor Drossel, and Jessie Haley

Senior Chorus: Marta Kelly, Sarah McNally, Amber Moak, Leahanne Cappelli, Krista Ragone, Thomas Wolf, Michael Amedure, Thomas Monkell, and Sam Dudley

Appreciation is also extended to the General Chair and GCNEA Officer, President Michael Benedict; Group Chairs: Janine Martin and Alicia Lewis; Group Chair Edward Coughtry and Jonathan Meredith as well as GCNEA Officer Vice-President Christine Wegrzyn.

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 November 10, 2008 and the Workshop of November 17, 2008**
- ✓ **B. Accept Treasurer's Report; Statement of Conditions 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 November 30, 2008**
- ✓ **C. Accept Internal Claims Report for month ending November 30, 2008**
- ✓ **D. Accept Special Student Services Recommendations**
 - 1. **Committee on Special Education from the meetings of November 6, 13 and 14, 2008**
 - 2. **Committee on Special Preschool from the meeting of November 12, 2008**
- ✓ **E. Approve Personnel Agenda** (*Please refer to the Personnel Agenda attachment*)
- ✓ **F. Business Management**
 - 1. **Accept Tax Collector's Report for 2008-2009**
 - 2. **Approve Real Property Tax Adjustments due to assessment changes which reduced the tax levy**

<i>(Town of Rensselaerville</i>	<i>1 property</i>	<i>\$ 294.95 reduction</i>
<i>Town of Greenville</i>	<i>2 properties</i>	<i>\$2,817.04 reduction</i>
<i>Town of Coxsackie</i>	<i>1 property</i>	<i>\$1,188.68 reduction)</i>
 - 3. **Approve solicitation of bids for diesel and heating fuel**
(*A cooperative bid is being prepared with the school districts of Catskill, Coxsackie, Cairo-Durham and Greenville.*)
 - 4. **Accept donation from students and contribute donation to UNICEF:**
(*This money, in the amount of \$1,406.00 raised by students will be donated to UNICEF. Gloria Hilgendorff and the ¾ teaching team participated in the Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF. Through this project, the ¾ team used this seasonal opportunity to reinforce the character education traits of responsibility, citizenship, and empathy.*)
 - 5. **Adopt 403(b) Written Plan Document**
(*WHEREAS, the Employer has heretofore maintained an arrangement intended to satisfy the requirements of Section 403(b) of the Code;*
WHEREAS, final regulations under Section 403(b) of the Code issued by the Internal Revenue Service on July 26, 2007 require that the Employer's 403(b) arrangement be maintained pursuant to the terms of a written plan document; and
WHEREAS, through execution of an Adoption Agreement, the Employer wishes to amend and restate the Employer's 403(b) arrangement as set forth herein and in such Adoption Agreement, effective as of January 1, 2009.
NOW THEREFORE, the Employer hereby amends and restates its 403(b) arrangement as provided herein and in the Adoption Agreement, effective as of January 1, 2009.
Except as otherwise provided in the Adoption Agreement, the terms of this amending restatement shall apply only to employees of the Employer who remain employed by the Employer on or after January 1, 2009; and the rights, benefits and obligations of employees who terminated employment, retired or died before January 1, 2009 shall be governed by the rules applicable to the 403(b) arrangement as of December 31, 2008.)

✓ **G. School Management**

1. Approve overnight field trip

- a. Trip Destination: Disney World, Orlando, Florida
Date: Leaving 8:00 a.m. on April 13, 2009 at 8:00 a.m. and returning April 17, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.
Students: Approximately seventy (70) High School Students
Chaperones: Michael Benedict, Linda Esposito, Alicia Lewis and Jonathan Meredith

(Funding for this trip has been raised by students. There is no expense to the general fund.)

VI. Discussion

A. Update on Capital Projects

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

B. Saturday, January 31, 2009 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.)

C. Quality Education Committee Presentation

(The Quality Education Committee (QEC) is a K-12 shared decision making team focused on student achievement. QEC's membership is composed of students, parents, teachers, support staff members, administrators and a member of the Board of Education. Curriculum and instruction have been the priority of this team for the past several years as we are now in our third year of K-12 Curriculum Mapping. The goal of this project is to have an aligned K-12 curriculum that is continuously reviewed and revised to increase student achievement. Another area of focus for the QEC is to develop commencement outcomes that prepare students for their future. The outcomes will be drafted during the 2008-2009 school year and will become another element of our curriculum review process. QEC is also responsible for Instructional Program Initiatives which are reviewed and maintained through a Six-Phase process each school year. Questions regarding the Quality Education Committee can be emailed to Colleen Hall, Director of Curriculum and Communications at hallc@greenville.k12.ny.us.)

D. Update on impact of New York State financial and budget issues

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 imperially affect 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. Substitutes:

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| 1. Name of Appointee: | Katherine Steere |
| Position: | Substitute Teacher |
| Certification: | New York State Initial Teaching Certificate |
| | Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) |
| Effective: | November 20, 2008 |
| Salary: | Per diem \$90.00 |
| Status: | Cleared for employment |
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| 2. Name of Appointee: | Kristin Turon |
| Position: | Substitute Teacher & Teaching Assistant |
| Certification: | N/A; Maria College Liberal Arts Program |
| | 1998-present (33 credits) |
| Effective: | November 20, 2008 |
| Salary: | Per diem \$75.00 |
| Status: | Cleared for employment |

b. Extra Duty Compensation 2008-2009

1. Afternoon/Evening Chaperone

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| a. Name of Appointee: | Denise Ridings |
| Position: | Afternoon & Evening Chaperone |
| Stipend | Per Diem (Afternoon \$29.00; Evening \$36.00) |

2. Sports

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| a. Name of Appointee: | Andrew Donovan |
| Position: | Modified & Varsity wrestling |
| Stipend: | To Be Determined |

2. Classified

a. Probationary

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| 1. Name of Appointee: | Kelly Snyder |
| Position: | Bus Driver |
| Classification: | GCCS Non-Competitive |
| Probationary Period: | November 7, 2008 to May 8, 2009 |
| Commencement of Service: | November 7, 2008 (PM run only;
November 8, 2008 full time) |
| Salary: | Year 1 at \$16.21 per hour |
| Status: | Cleared for employment |

b. Substitute

1. Name of Appointee:	Nobalee Monkell
Position:	Substitute Aide/Monitor
Effective:	December 9, 2008
Status:	Cleared for employment

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.