

GREENVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Budget Workshop  
Minutes  
March 17, 2008

**I. Call to Order:**

A meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, March 17, 2008 in the High School Library. Mr. Wilton Bear, Jr., President, called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

**A. Members present:** Wilton Bear, Jr.  
Tina Dombroski  
Ann Holstein  
Gregory Lampman  
Anne Mitchell  
Rosanne Moore

**Member Absent:** Lawrence Tompkins

**Others present:** Cheryl A. Dudley, Superintendent  
Jacqueline O'Halloran, School District Clerk  
Tammy J. Sutherland, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Donna Accuosti, Elementary Assistant Principal  
Scott Gardiner, Director of Technology  
Colleen Hall, Middle School Principal  
Margaret Kelly, Director of Communications  
Lisa Knowles, Director of Pupil Personnel Services  
Michael Laster, High School Principal  
Peter Mahan, Elementary School Principal  
Karen Morin, Director of Transportation  
Jeffrey Palmer, MS/HS Assistant Principal  
Robert Schrader, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds

**B. There were approximately two (2) visitors to the meeting**

**II. Approval of Agenda**

Anne Holstein moved, seconded by Anne Mitchell and carried unanimously to approve the Agenda for the Budget Workshop Meeting on Monday, March 17, 2008.

**III. Discussion**

*(On Monday March 17, the Greenville Board of Education will continue the public discussion of the district operating budget for the 2008-2009 school year. The Board of Education Budget Workshops and the Budget Advisory Committee Meetings have been established to ensure transparency in the fiscal process and to provide opportunities for the public, as the budget is actually being developed, to learn about the educational programs and related services as supported by budget expenditures and anticipated revenues. The Board invites public comment throughout the budget development process and encourages you to attend the various meetings as scheduled. The presentation of the required format of the budget (Program, Administrative, and Capital) is detailed further in these discussions into the non-instructional and instructional categories.*

*Board of Education Budget Workshops are scheduled from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the HS Library Media Center on the following dates:*

<i>Monday</i>	<i>February 25</i>	<i>7:00 pm High School Library (Non-instructional)</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>March 3</i>	<i>7:00 pm High School Library (Instructional)</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>March 17</i>	<i>7:00 pm High School Library (Revenue)</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>April 7</i>	<i>7:00 pm High School Library (Total Budget)</i>

*It is anticipated that the Board will adopt a final budget at the Business Meeting of April 14 that begins at 7:30 pm. The remaining Budget Advisory Committee Meetings are scheduled as follows:*

<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>March 11</i>	<i>7:00 pm High School Library</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>April 1</i>	<i>7:00 pm High School Library</i>

*The vote on the School Budget is Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Elementary School Cafeteria.)*

Tammy J. Sutherland, explained that this is a working document and not a final recommendation. The following revenue sources were addressed:

- Balance on Hand
- Interest & Penalties on taxes
- Library & textbook fines
- Admissions
- Tuition from other districts
- Interest on deposits
- Capital Account Interest
- Miscellaneous
- State Aid
- Rent
- E-Rate Reimbursement
- Private School Related Services
- Real Estate Taxes

Areas of discussion included:

- Governor's proposal compared to current law formulas
- Food Service subsidy, school lunch cost containment, and school lunch prices
- Special education escalating expenses, public and private excess cost aid, and special education expenses that can not be predicted due, for example, to special education needs of new enrollees.

Board of Education President, Wilton Bear, Jr., reminded the Board that the final Budget Workshop will be on April 7, 2008. Adoption of the final budget will be at the April 14, 2008 Business Meeting. He also stated that there will be two (2) seats open on the Board, those of Rosanne Moore and Gregory Lampman, and the deadline for petitions is 5:00 p.m. on April 21, 2008.

Mr. Bear explained that the election of members to the Board of Cooperative Educational Services and the vote on the tentative BOCES administration budget will be on Tuesday, April 22, 2008. The election will be for four seats and will be discussed at the April 14, 2008 Regular meeting.

Reservations for the dinner at the Questar III Annual Meeting at the Columbia-Greene Educational Center on April 2, 2008 need to be made no later than Monday, March 24, 2008.

## **V. Closing Open Forum**

There were no comments

## **VI. Adjournment**

At 7:47 p.m. Anne Mitchell moved, seconded by Gregory Lampman and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

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School District Clerk

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Board President