# Greenville Central School District Board of Education PROPOSED AGENDA **Business Meeting** Monday January 8, 2007

7:30 p.m. High School Library

## $\checkmark$ = 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

Appreciation is expressed to students and to the Music Department for the wonderful Holiday concerts and activities.

#### 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 - F** 
  - ✓ A. Minutes of December 11, 2006 Regular Meeting
  - ✓ B. Treasurer's Report, Statement of Conditions, Internal Claims Audit Report, and Transfer of Funds for the month ending December 31, 2006
  - ✓ C. Special Student Services
    - 1. Recommendations of the Committee on Special Education from the meetings of December 4, 6, 14, 15, and 20, 2006; and Committee on Pre-School Special Education meetings of December 12 and 19, 2006

#### ✓ D. 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. Professional

- a. Request for Leave
  - 1) Special Education teacher child rearing

Name of appointee: Amy B. Latham

Position: Elementary Special Education teacher Approximately February 19, 2007 Effective:

through March 30, 2007

#### b. Appointments

1) Extended term substitute teacher

Name of appointee: Maria Jennings

Tenure area: N/A Extended term substitute teacher

Commencement of service on tenure: N/A

Commencement of service: January 2, 2007 through March 30, 2007

Certification status: Permanent, Special Education

Column & Step Placement: Column I, Step 1 Status: Conditional

(This appointment is due to the child rearing leave of special education

teacher Amy Latham. 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 45<sup>th</sup> day, the extended term substitute will be entitled to the benefits of the CBA. Ms. Jennings will be paid retroactively at Column IV, Step 1 after serving 45 consecutive days.)

### 2) 2006-2007 Extra Duty, Co-curricular, Extra-curricular, and Athletics

a) Coaches

Varsity tennis

JV girls' softball

Varsity boys' track

Modified boys' track

Varsity girls' track

Modified girls' track

Modified girls' track

Shannon Corrigan

b) Mentor Teacher

Name of appointee: JoAnn Simmons Assigned to: Patricia Blackwell

Commencing: December 19, 2006 through

December 18, 2007

3) Substitute teachers and teaching assistants

Name of appointee: Maria Jennings

Position: Substitute teacher per~diem

Certification status: Certified, Special Education, Elementary

Effective: December 20, 2006 through

June 30, 2007

Status: Cleared for employment

Name of appointee: Jennifer Raskopf

Position: Substitute teacher per~diem Certification status: Non-certified, reinstatement Effective: December 19, 2006 through

June 30, 2007

Status: Cleared for employment

Name of appointee: Aleksen G. Speck

Position: Substitute teacher and teaching assistant

per~diem

Certification status: Non-certified, BA
Effective: January 9, 2007 through

June 30, 2007

Status: Conditional

Name of appointee: Christopher Warga

Position: Substitute teacher and teaching assistant

per~diem

Certification status: Non-certified, reinstatement Effective: January 2, 2007 through

June 30, 2007

Status: Cleared for employment

### 2. Operational

a. Retirement

1) Cleaner

Name of appointee: Dennis Oleksiw

Position: Cleaner

Classification: GCCS/non-competitive Effective: January 19, 2007 (The District thanks Mr. Oleksiw for 11 years of service.)

b. Appointments

1) Substitutes

Name of appointee: Wanda Bates

Position: Substitute cafeteria and support staff

(reinstatement as support staff)

Commencement of service: January 9, 2007 through June 30, 2007

Status: Cleared for employment

Name of appointee: Dawn Becker

Position: Substitute bus driver

Commencement of service: December 12, 2006 through

June 30, 2007

Status: Cleared for employment

Name of appointee: Laurie Grimmond
Position: Substitute cafeteria

Commencement of service: January 9, 2007 through June 30, 2007

Status: Conditional

Name of appointee: Joseph Kraft Jr.
Position: Substitute bus driver

Commencement of service: January 2, 2007 through June 30, 2007

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.

## ✓ E. Business Management

- 1. Acceptance of donations:
  - a. \$500 donated by "GE Selkirk Employees' Good Neighbor Fund"

(These funds will be used to aid needy families in this area during the Holiday Season.)

b. Tennis ball server donated by GCS teacher, Corrina Bright, at an approximate value of \$150

- 2. Senior Citizen Tax Exemption Rates for 2007: BE IT RESOLVED that the Greenville Central School Board of Education establish the Senior Citizen Tax Exemption Rates for 2007 as listed.
  - **Section 1**. As permitted by Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law, real property owned by one or more persons, each of whom is 65 years of age or over as therein defined, or by a husband and wife, either of whom is 65 years of age or over, or by siblings, one of whom is 65 years of age or over, or a disabled person (Section 459C), shall be exempt, to the extent set forth in Section 2 hereof, from taxation by the Greenville Central School District.

**Section 2**. Real property which meets the requirements for exemption pursuant to Section 1 hereof shall be exempt to the extent indicated below, provided that the income of the owner, or combined incomes of the owners if there is more than one, does not exceed the sum set forth below:

Senior Citizen And Disabled Tax Exemption Rates	
Maximum income limit 18,000.00	50%
18,000.01 - 18,999.99	45%
19,000.00 - 19,999.99	40%
20,000.00 - 20,999.99	35%
21,000.00 - 21,899.99	30%
21,900.00 - 22,799.99	25%
22,800.00 - 23,699.99	20%
23,700.00 - 24,599.99	15%
24,600.00 - 25,499.99	10%
25,500.00 - 26,000.00	5%

**Section 3**. This exemption shall not be available if a child resides on the premises and attends an elementary or secondary public school within the Greenville Central School District.

**Section 4**. This resolution shall take effect immediately and shall apply to assessment rolls prepared after its effective date.

3. It is hereby resolved that the settlement agreement and release between the Greenville Central School District and G.H. Dorety Construction, Inc. dated December 12, 2006 is hereby approved and the President of the board of Education and Superintendent of Schools are hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the School District.

(Payments to the contractors and subcontractors are to be made directly by the District in the following amounts: G. H. Dorety \$15,000.00; Shield Sales \$514.06; Cranesville Block \$8,698.35; GNH Lumber \$4,896.46; and Cowan Excavating \$25,138.92.)

4. Proposal to update the District Asbestos Management Plan

(It is recommended that the Board accept the proposal from Needham Risk Management Resource Group, LLC to update the District's Asbestos Management Plan. The fee for this scope of work is a lump sum payment of \$13,000 including sampling costs.)

#### ✓ F. School Management

1. **Quality Education Committee Membership:** BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education appoint Tracy Boomhower to the Quality Education Committee for 2006-2007 to serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Education and Superintendent of Schools. (The majority of members of this Committee were appointed at the October Board meeting.)

#### VI. Discussion: A-E

- A. Discussion on draft BOE Policy #4.350 Reporting and Investigations of Allegations of Fraud (The presentation of the External/Independent Auditor included a recommendation for the Board of Education to develop a policy to address fraud. This represents the second reading of the recommended policy.
- B. Meeting with Town Boards and Planning Boards
- C. Senior Trip
- D. Field Trips
  (This will include a review of trips for 2006-2007, expenses, and procedures to be developed.)
- E. Excel Aid

## 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 exception, 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