

Greenville Central School District
Board of Education
PROPOSED AGENDA
Business Meeting
Monday
February 12, 2007

7:30 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:

Winner of the National Geographic Geography Bee at the Middle School level, Camryn Benjamin,
and runner up Michael Amedore;

Medal winners in the Annual American Mathematics Competition at the Middle School level: Samuel
Kudlack; Kerry Brown; Daniel Carl; Marta Kelly; Alexis Peters; Emily Bobrick; Scott Goodfellow;
and Rita Lord;

High scorers in the National Current Events at the Middle School level for rounds one and two: Emily
Bobrick; Eamon Collins; Marta Kelly; and Brenden O'Keefe;

Elementary teacher Martha Travis was selected as Educator of the Week by WNYT-Channel 13.
Elaine Houston of WNYT interviewed Ms. Travis last week and the interview will be aired next
month. WNYT sponsors the Educator of the Week Program. Of the 250 plus nominations in the
capital region, Ms. Travis was one of 30 selected for this special honor.

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 January 8, 2007 Regular Meeting**

✓ **B. Treasurer's Report, Statement of Conditions, Internal Claims Audit Report,
Revenue Report and Transfer of Funds for the month ending January 31, 2007**

✓ **C. Special Student Services**

**1. Recommendations of the Committee on Special Education from the meetings of
January 4, 18, and 25, 2007; and Committee on Preschool Special Education from the
meetings of January 23, 2007**

✓ **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. Appointments

1) Extra Duty, Co-curricular, Extra-curricular, and Athletics 2006-2007

a) Advisors

Middle School

Co-Musical Director

Jennifer FitzGerald @ .75 of stipend

and Jonathan Meredith @ .25 of stipend

Co-Choral Director

Patricia Blackwell

(These appointments will fill vacancies due to the resignation in October 2006 of Brian Bailey. Jonathan Meredith was already appointed as the Co-Choral Director in August 2006.)

b) Coaches

JV baseball

Christopher Warga

2) Substitute teachers and teaching assistants

Name of appointee:

Janet Brezinski

Position:

Substitute teacher per~diem

Certification status:

Certified, permanent, Reading, English, Nursery, kindergarten, Grades 1-6 (to grade ELA exams)

Effective:

January 22, 2007 through June 30, 2007

Status:

Cleared for employment

Name of appointee:

Patricia L. Dority-Kawczak

Position:

Substitute teacher per~diem

Certification status:

Non-certified

Effective:

January 30, 2007 through June 30, 2007

Status:

Cleared for employment

Name of appointee:

Melissa R. Roberts

Position:

Substitute teacher per~diem

Certification status:

Certified, Initial Childhood Education 1-6

Effective:

February 13, 2007 through June 30, 2007

Status:

Conditional

Name of appointee:

Alyssa Thomas

Position:

Substitute teaching assistant per~diem

Certification status:

High School diploma

Effective:

February 13, 2007 through June 30, 2007

Status:

Conditional

2. Operational

a. Appointments

1) Cleaner

Name of appointee: Kenneth Yeomans
Position: Cleaner
Classification: GCCS/non-competitive
Probationary period: January 29, 2007 through July 30, 2007
Commencement of service: January 29, 2007
Step Placement: Per contract @ \$12.53 per hour
Status: Cleared for employment
(This will fill the vacancy due to the retirement of Dennis Oleksiw.)

2) Support Staff

Name of appointee: Daphne Pearson
Position: Support Staff @ 4.75 hours per day
Classification: GCCS/non-competitive
Probationary period: February 26, 2007 through August 27, 2007
Commencement of service: February 26, 2007
Step Placement: Per contract @ \$11.36 per hour
Status: Conditional
(This will fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Edward Warga.)

3) Substitutes

Name of appointee: Pamela DeMarco
Position: Substitute cafeteria and support staff
Commencement of service: January 5, 2007 through June 30, 2007
Status: Conditional

Name of appointee: Joseph Kraft, Jr.
Position: Substitute mechanic
Commencement of service: January 23, 2007 through June 30, 2007
Status: Cleared for employment

Name of appointee: Alyssa Thomas
Position: Substitute clerical and support staff
Commencement of service: February 13, 2007 through June 30, 2007
Status: Conditional

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. 2006-2007 Tuition Rates: BE IT RESOLVED that the Greenville Central School District Tuition Rates for 2006-2007 be established as follows:

Elementary K-6	\$7,062
Secondary 7-12	\$7,838

Special Education (60% of day)	
Elementary K-6	\$36,180
Secondary 7-12	\$36,956

Special Education (20% of day)	
Elementary K-6	\$22,478
Secondary 7-12	\$23,254

(The estimated tuition rates are based on a formula defined in Section 174.2 of the Regulations of the Commissioner. Since GCSD is a closed campus [per Board Policy #6.170], these rates are for the students that have been grandfathered for purposes of non-resident attendance tuition, students in foster care, and cross contracts with districts for provision of special education services. The cost for foster students is charged to the district of origin and special education students to the home district.)

2. Accept Auditor's Report - Federal Awards for the Year Ended June 30, 2006

(The Board of Education accepted the 2005-2006 Auditor's Report at the October 16 Board of Education Meeting. This portion of the audit, information of which is embedded in the October report, is required to be submitted in a separate document to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse as well as NYSED within thirty (30) days of receipt or no later than March 31st. Detailed information is available on the NYSED website under Reference Manual for Audits of Financial Statements of New York State School Districts, pp.55-64.)

3. Approve Health Service Contract with North Greenbush Common School District for 2006-2007 in the amount of \$221.22

(This contract provides health services for one Greenville Central School District resident student who is attending LaSalle Institute in Troy for the 2006-2007 school year.)

4. Declaration of Surplus – computer hardware

(There are Ninety [90] Compaq Pentium based 500 Mhz computers and Forty-five [45] Compaq Celeron based 400 Mhz computers to be declared as surplus. These computers were purchased in 1999 and are obsolete for district use. They are being replaced in accordance with the Instructional Technology (IT) Department long-range equipment purchasing plan.)

5. Approve Agreement with Rhinebeck Architecture & Planning PC

(This agreement will provide services for the development of a plan to address issues of ADA [American Disabilities Act] compliance at Scott M. Ellis Elementary School, specifically for student, employee, and visitor accessibility for the multi-level structure, including the installation of an elevator and other related accessibility improvements. This agreement may be funded by Excel Aid from NYS with no impact on the tax levy. Services include Pre-referendum Schematic Design Phase [\$20,000]; Post Referendum Design Development Phase [\$20,000]; Construction Documents Phase [\$35,000]; Bidding or Negotiation Phase [\$5,000]; and Construction Phase [\$20,000; Total [\$100,000]. Additional information concerning Excel Aid is included below for consideration [Discussion A-J; G. Excel Aid].)

6. Approve contract for Related Services between Greenville Central School District and Cairo-Durham Central School District

(This agreement between the Cairo-Durham and Greenville Central School Districts provides special education services to students, specifically for the related services of speech and language therapy, for September 7, 2006 through June 22, 2007. Compensation shall be paid at the rate of \$28.87 per hour for one speech therapist based on 1/200 of the employee's salary per C-D.)

F. School Management

1. Adopt 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 third reading of the recommended policy.)

2. District Planning Committee Membership

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby appoints the following individuals as members of the District Planning Committee in an advisory capacity to the Board of Education for 2006-2007:

Community Member

Patti DeTillio

Greenville Faculty Association

Rachael Anderson

(Ms. Anderson will replace Gloria Bear who is unable to serve in this capacity at this time.

Therefore, District Planning Committee membership to date includes:

Board of Education (1)

Wilton Bear, Jr.

Superintendent of Schools (1)

Cheryl A. Dudley

Cabinet (2)

Michael Laster

Lisa Knowles

Leadership (1)

Tammy Sutherland

PTA (1 or 2)

Eric Herbstritt

Greenville Faculty Association (1 or 2)

Rachel Anderson

Greenville Paraprofessional Federation (1 or 2)

Maria Marquit

Budget Advisory Committee (1)

Wells Packard

Quality Education Committee (1 or 2)

Community Member (2)

Patti DeTillio

Facilitator (1)

Margaret Kelly

Remaining District Planning Committee meeting dates for 2006-2007 are:

February 21

District Planning Committee Meeting

March 21

District Planning Committee Meeting

April 18

District Planning Committee Meeting

June 16

District Planning Committee Meeting

Dates for 2007-2008

TBD

VI. Discussion: A-J

A. Presentation on Athletics

(Middle/High School Principal Brian Reeve will provide an overview of the interscholastic athletics program.)

B. Student Information Systems

(Scott Gardiner will provide background information about the status of the current student information system used by GCSD and of programs under review for possible use commencing in the 2007-2008 school year.)

- C. Presentation of draft BOE Policy #3.145 Reporting of Campaign Expenditures and Contributions
(Education Law Sections 1528 and 1529 have been amended to provide for additional required reporting of campaign expenditures and contributions. This represents the first reading of the recommended policy.)
- D. Kindergarten Registration
(Principal Mahan will provide a report on the status of registration of students for kindergarten for 2007-2008.)
- E. 2007-2008 School Calendar
(The Calendar Committee, comprised of Colleen Horton, Tina Minehan, Brynda Shultes, Judy Spring, and Wendy Ward, prepared a preliminary calendar for the 2007-2008 school year taking into consideration the Questar III and Capital Region BOCES' calendars. After receiving input, a final calendar will be recommended for consideration at the March Board of Education meeting.)
- F. Greene County School Boards Dinner
(The next Greene County School Boards dinner meeting will be hosted by GCSD on Wednesday, March 7, 2007 at the Rensselaerville Institute Conference Center at 6:30 pm.)
- G. Excel Aid
(As a result of the planning phase with Rhinebeck Architecture, the total amount of Excel Aid combined with building aid would support a proposition for construction of approximately 1.3 million dollars with no impact on the tax levy impact. The Board of Education would have to approve any plans for such a project and, even with no tax levy impact, a project utilizing this aid would require approval of the voters in May 2007.)
- H. District Web Page
(An update on the status of the District webpage will be provided as Margaret Kelly and Scott Gardiner, in conjunction with Christine Kozin of Questar III, have redesigned the site and process for maintenance.)
- I. Reminder of Tuesday, February 13 Budget Advisory Committee Meeting and Monday, February 26 Budget Workshop
(This is the first scheduled Budget Workshop for 2007-2008. Budget Workshops are also scheduled on March 5, 19, and April 2, 2007.)
- J. Board Members' input for possible discussion at a later date
Reflections of meeting with Town Boards and Planning Boards on January 27, 2007

VII. Closing Open Forum

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VIII. 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 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