

GREENVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL

BOARD OF EDUCATION

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

March 12, 2007

I. Call to Order:

A meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, March 12, 2007 in the High School Library. Mr. Wilton Bear, Jr., President, called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

A. Board President Wilton Bear, Jr. led the Flag Salute and Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Members present: Wilton Bear, Jr.
Tina Dombroski
Ann Holstein
Gregory Lampman
Anne Mitchell
Rosanne Moore
Lawrence Tompkins

Others present: Cheryl A. Dudley, Superintendent
Tammy Sutherland, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Nancy Beers, School District Clerk
Colleen Hall, Middle School Principal
Margaret Kelly, Director of Communications
Lisa Knowles, Director of Special Student Services
Peter Mahan, Elementary Principal
Tina Minehan, Elementary Assistant Principal
Karen Morin, Supervisor of Transportation
Brian Reeve, MS/HS Assistant Principal
Robert Schrader, Supervisor of Building and Grounds

C. Mr. Bear welcomed approximately 9 visitors to the meeting.

II. Anne Mitchell moved, seconded by Rosanne Moore and carried unanimously to approve the agenda for the business meeting Monday, March 12, 2007.

III. Accolades

Congratulations to:

Sophomore Thomas Monkell who is the newest member of the Empire State Youth Orchestra Wind Ensemble. Thomas plays the baritone and is one of five GCS students who are involved in ESYO.

IV. Open Forum

There were no comments during the open forum.

V. ACTION ITEMS

Ann Holstein moved, seconded by Anne Mitchell and carried unanimously to: (A-C)

A. Approve Minutes of February 12, 2007 Business Meeting

B. Approve Treasurer's Report, Statement of Conditions, Internal Claims Audit Report, Revenue Report and Transfer of Funds for the month ending February 28, 2007

(FY2007-43)

C. Special Student Services

1. Accept the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education from the meetings of January 30, 31, February 1, 7, 8, 13, 27, and 28, 2007; and Committee on Pre-school Special Education from the meetings of February 13, 2007

D. Personnel Agenda

Gregory Lampman moved, seconded by Lawrence Tompkins and carried unanimously to approve the 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. Resignation

1) Spanish teacher

Name of appointee:	Patricia McCarthy
Position:	Spanish teacher
Tenure area:	Foreign Language
Effective:	March 19, 2007

b. Appointments

2) Substitute teacher and teaching assistant

Name of appointee:	Kathleen Martin
Position:	Substitute teacher and teaching assistant per~diem
Certification status:	Non-certified, BA
Effective:	March 13, 2007 through June 30, 2007
Status:	Conditional

2. Operational

a. Resignation

1) Elementary secretary

Name of employee:	Tracy Boomhower
Position:	Administrative Secretary
	10 months + 20 days @ 8 hours per day
Classification:	GCCC/Competitive
Effective:	March 5, 2007

b. Appointment

1) Substitute

Name of appointee:	Joseph Kraft, Jr.
Position:	Substitute cleaner
Commencement of service:	March 13, 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

Ann Holstein moved, seconded by Tina Dombroski and carried unanimously to: (1-3)

1. Accept Donation

Accept materials and supplies from the Greenville Wrestling Club totaling \$1,767.80.

2. Health and Welfare Services Contract with South Colonie Central School (FY2007-44)

Approve Health and Welfare Services Contract with South Colonie Central School District for 2006-2007 in the amount of \$420.79

(This contract provides health and welfare services for one Greenville Central School District resident student who is attending Christian Brothers Academy in Albany for the 2006-2007 school year.)

3. Bid for Spring Uniforms

Award bid for spring uniforms to Anaconda Sports, 5 Corporate Drive, Clifton Park, NY

F. School Management

Ann Holstein moved, seconded by Rosanne Moore and carried unanimously to: (1-2)

1. 2007-2008 School Calendar (FY2007-45)

Adopt 2007-2008 School Calendar

2. Public Library Requests for Support

Approve requests for support of the Greenville Public Library at \$30,000; and for the Rensselaerville Library at \$15,000 to be included on the 2007 School District Ballot

3. School Bus Proposition

Ann Holstein moved, seconded by Anne Mitchell and carried unanimously to approve the following proposition for the procurement of school buses and vans to be included on the 2007 School District Ballot

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Greenville Central School District is hereby authorized to (1) acquire school vehicles to be used therein, at a maximum aggregate cost of \$770,000, (2) expend such sum for such purpose, (3) levy the necessary tax therefore, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education taking into account state aid received, and (4) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$ 770,000, and levy a tax to pay the interest on said obligations when due.

4. SEQRA Resolution for Excel Aid Capital Project

Gregory Lampman moved, seconded by Rosanne Moore and carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board finds and concludes that the proposed action is a Type II action within the meaning of 6 NYCRR §617.5 and therefore is not subject to review under SEQRA and the regulations thereunder.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Greenville Central School District has proposed to undertake a project consisting of construction of an addition to connect the wings of the existing elementary school building, not to exceed 1,500 square feet with the installation of an elevator and connecting corridors to provide handicap accessibility, the installation of smoke doors, and replacement of an existing electrical transformer; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to fully comply with its obligations under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and the regulations thereunder with respect to the proposed action; and

WHEREAS, the Board has carefully considered the nature and scope of the proposed action; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the foregoing, the Board makes the following determinations:

1. The proposed action involves the construction of a three-story addition and connection to wings of the existing elementary school building, not to exceed 1,500 square feet, installing an elevator and connecting corridors to provide handicap accessibility, the installation of smoke doors, and replacement of an existing electrical transformer;
2. The proposed project represents maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing facility or structure within the meaning of 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(1); and/or alternatively the replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility in kind within the meaning of 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(2); and/or alternatively a routine activity of an educational institution within the meaning of 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(8).
3. The proposed action will in no case have a significant adverse impact based on the environment based on the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR §617.7(c), and is not otherwise a Type I action as defined by 6 NYCRR §617.4.
4. The proposed action is a Type II action within the meaning of 6 NYCRR §617.5 and is therefore not subject to review under SEQRA and the regulations thereunder.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board finds and concludes that the proposed action is a Type II action within the meaning of 6 NYCRR §617.5 and therefore is not subject to review under SEQRA and the regulations thereunder.

5. Proposition for Excel Aid

Ann Holstein moved, seconded by Anne Mitchell and carried unanimously to approve the proposition for Excel Aid capital project to be included on the 2007 School District Ballot:

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to (1) construct additions to, and renovate and reconstruct the Elementary School building, including elevator installation and site work thereat, and acquire original furnishings, equipment, machinery or apparatus required for the purpose for which such additions and reconstructed building are to be used, at a maximum cost of \$1,500,000, (2) expend such sum for such purpose, (3) levy the necessary tax therefor taking into account state aid and Excel grants received, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education, and (4) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$1,500,000, and levy a tax to pay the interest on said obligations when due?

6. Special Board of Education Meeting

Gregory Lampman moved, seconded by Ann Holstein and carried unanimously to approve the Special Board of Education Meeting on Tuesday, April 24, 2007 at 6:00 pm at the District Office
(The purpose of the meeting is for the Greenville Central School Board of Education to vote on the proposed Questar III Administrative Budget & Election.)

VI. Discussion:

A. Draft BOE Policy #3.145 Reporting of Campaign Expenditures and Contributions

Board Members reviewed Draft BOE Policy #3.145 Reporting of Campaign Expenditures and Contributions. The policy will be recommended for adoption at the April 9, 2007 Board of Education meeting.

B. RFP for Master Planning Services

Board Members reviewed a draft of the Request for Proposal [RFP] for the purpose of developing a Master Plan for the Greenville Central School District. The District is developing a comprehensive, long-range Master Plan for facilities improvement, infrastructure and campus site development. The Master Plan is intended to address existing building infrastructure needs, anticipated development within various communities of the school district, and any associated growth in school district student enrollment, as well as changing and evolving educational program needs of the district. A District Planning Committee has been established which will be responsible for preparing recommendations to the Board of Education for long-range comprehensive planning for the school district. The District Planning Committee structure was approved by the Board of Education at the December 11, 2006 meeting and membership is currently being finalized.

The Board discussed the draft of the RFP which included an Introduction, Background, Desired Scope of Services, Written Proposal Format, Evaluation Criteria, Selection Process and Timeline. Board Member Gregory Lampman expressed concern that the RFP was not specific on the expectations from architects. Superintendent Cheryl A. Dudley explained that past capital projects were for proposed referendums where project specifications could be established. This RFP is for long-range planning with many long-term variables such as changing enrollment, technology, curriculum, and State Education mandates. Board Member Anne Mitchell requested that parallel language be used throughout the document for simplicity. The Board agreed that in the spirit of fairness, a pre-proposal meeting should be scheduled as proposed to ensure that all interested parties receive information.

The Board's recommendations will be incorporated into the Draft Request for Proposal and Superintendent Dudley will forward the revised document to Board Members and the District's legal counsel. In response to a question by Board Member Gregory Lampman, Superintendent Dudley projected a date of August 2007 for the proposal submission date.

C. Fiscal Planning and Budget Development

Board President Wilton Bear, Jr. reminded the Board and public of the following dates:

Budget Advisory Committee Meeting

Tuesday	March 13	7:00 – 9:00 pm	High School Library
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Board of Education Budget Workshops

Monday	March 19	7:00 – 9:00 pm	High School Library
Monday	April 2	7:00 – 9:00 pm	High School Library

Adoption of the Proposed Budget at the Regular Board of Education Meeting				
Monday	April 9	7:30 pm	High School Library	
Deadline for submitting petitions for BOE seat				
Monday	April 16	5:00 pm	District Office	
Proposed Budget available to the public (on business days)				
Tuesday	May 1	8:00 am – 4:30 pm	District Office	
Voter Registration Day				
Wednesday	May 2	2:00 – 7:00 pm	Elementary Lobby	
Budget Hearing				
Tuesday	May 8	7:30 pm	High School Auditorium	
Annual Budget Vote				
Tuesday	May 15	1:00 – 9:00 pm	Elementary School Cafeteria	

VII. Board Members' input for possible discussion at a later date

There were no new items.

VIII. Closing Open Forum

Board President Wilton Bear, Jr. recognized several high school students who were in attendance as part of the curriculum of the Participation in Government class and thanked them for attending.

IX. Executive Session

At 8:31 P.M. Gregory Lampman moved, seconded by Rosanne Moore and carried unanimously to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss 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. At 9:25 P.M. Anne Mitchell moved, seconded by Rosanne Moore and carried unanimously to return to open session.

X. Adjournment

At 9:27 P.M. Gregory Lampman moved, seconded by Lawrence Tompkins and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

School District Clerk

Board President