

GREENVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL

BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 12, 2005

I. Call to Order

A meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, December 12, 2005 in the High School Library. Board President Wilton Bear, Jr. 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 – left at 9:00 P.M.
Rosanne Moore
Lawrence Tompkins

Others present: Cheryl A. Dudley, Superintendent
Tammy Sutherland, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Nancy Beers, School District Clerk
Colleen Horton, Middle School Principal
Michael Laster, High School Principal
Paul Overbaugh, Transportation Supervisor
Robert Schrader, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds
Margaret Kelly, Communications Specialist

C. Board President Wilton Bear, Jr. welcomed approximately 5 visitors to the meeting.

II. Approval of Agenda

At 7:30 P.M. Anne Mitchell moved, seconded by Ann Holstein and carried unanimously to approve the agenda for the regular meeting Monday, December 12, 2005.

III. Accolades

Congratulations to: Emily Bobrick (7th grade) who placed first at GCSMS in the initial Continental Mathematics League Competition;

Sarah McNally (7th grade) who had the highest score on the first Current Events Contest;

Matthew Tompkins' High School Brain Brawl Team which was victorious at the fall meet and Jonah Coe-Scharff's Team which won at the Middle School level.

IV. Special Presentation:

Dylan Yeomans' presentation to the Board of Education highlighted his summer camp experience at Tech Valley of Questar III assisted by Director of Career, Technical and Alternative Education, David Leavitt.

V. Forum

Board Member Tina Dombroski thanked teachers Rachel Anderson and Mark Cunnann and High School Principal Michael Laster for an enjoyable FFA Open House and expressed appreciation for the students' hard work.

VI. Action Items

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

A. Approve the Minutes of the November 14, 2005 Regular Meeting and November 28, 2005 Workshop

B. Approve Treasurer's Report, Statement of Conditions, Schedule of Bills, and Transfer of Funds for the month ending November 30, 2005 (FY2006-30)

C. Special Student Services

1. Accept the recommendations of Committee on Special Education from the meetings of November 10, 17, and 22, 2005

D. Personnel Agenda

Anne Holstein moved, seconded by Rosanne Moore 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) Teaching Assistant

Name of employee:	Donna A. Connolly
Position:	Teaching Assistant
Classification:	N/A
Effective Date:	November 24, 2005

b. Appointments

1) HS After School Homework Center

Name of co-appointee:	Corrina Bright
Effective date:	Mondays November 15, 2005 - June 30, 2006

Name of co-appointee:	Linda Esposito
Effective date:	Tuesdays November 15, 2005 - June 30, 2006

Name of co-appointee:
Effective date:

Cindy Himes
Wednesdays and Thursdays
November 15, 2005 - June 30, 2006

2) Substitute Teachers and Teaching Assistants

Name of Appointee:
Position:
Effective:
Status:

Jamie D. Cabiati
Certified substitute teacher & TA
December 13, 2005 to June 30, 2006
Conditional

Name of Appointee:
Position:
Effective:
Status:

Melissa Ballard
Non-certified substitute teacher & TA
December 13, 2005 to June 30, 2006
Cleared for employment

3) Graduate course approval

Name of employee:
Title of Course:
Date of Course:
Institution:
Certificate/Program:

Rachel Anderson
Supervisory Leadership
Jan. 25, 2006 – May 5, 2006
SUNY Albany
C.A.S.

Name of employee:
Title of Course:
Date of Course:
Institution:
Certificate/Program:

Rachel Anderson
Family & Community Partnerships
Jan. 23, 2006 – May 6, 2006
SUNY Albany
C.A.S.

Name of employee:
Title of Course:
Date of Course:
Institution:
Certificate/Program:

Linda Esposito
Learning in the Academic Disciplines
Jan. 23, 2006 – May 9, 2006
SUNY Albany
Professional Development

2. Operational

a. Create position

- 1) Bus aide @ 6 hours per day effective December 13, 2005

b. Resignation

1) Head Bus Driver

Name of employee:
Position:
Classification:
Effective Date:

Karen Wood
Head Bus Driver
GCCS/Non-competitive
December 5, 2005

c. Appointments

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| 1) Name of appointee: | Karen Wood |
| Position: | Bus driver |
| Classification: | GCCS/Non-competitive |
| Probationary Period: | December 5, 2005 through
June 13, 2006 |
| Commencement of service: | December 5, 2005 |
| Step Placement: | Per Contract |
| Status: | Cleared for employment |
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| 2) Substitutes | |
| Name of Appointee: | Rose Trotta |
| Position: | Clerical |
| Effective: | December 13, 2005 |
| 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

Anne Mitchell moved, seconded by Tina Dombroski and carried unanimously to table the following resolutions: (E1 and E5)

1. Intermunicipal Agreement:

Approve the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the Intermunicipal Agreement between Rensselaer, Columbia, Greene Counties Board of Cooperative Educational Services, d/b/a and hereinafter referred to as "QUESTAR III" with its principal business address at 10 Empire State Boulevard, Castleton, New York 12033 and Greenville Central School District, hereinafter referred to as "District" with a principal business address at PO Box 129 Greenville, NY 12083.

5. Bid Award:

Award the bid for a 2006 one-ton Dual Rear Wheel Short Body Stack Rack Truck

2. Audit Committee:

Gregory Lampman moved, seconded by Ann Holstein and carried unanimously approve the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby creates a District Audit Committee advisory to the Board of Education effective December 13, 2005.

Ann Holstein moved, seconded by Anne Mitchell and carried unanimously to: (E3 and E4)

3. District Audit Committee Members:

Approve the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby appoints Wilton Bear, Jr., Gregory Lampman, and Lawrence Tompkins as members of the District Audit Committee for 2005-2006.

4. Budget Advisory Committee Membership:

Approve the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby appoints the following individuals as members of the Budget Advisory Committee for 2005-2006:

Linda Davies	Faculty
Krystal DeSarno	Student
Cheryl Dudley	Superintendent
Gary Hoffman	Parent
Ann Holstein	Board of Education
Margaret Kelly	Communications Specialist
Shauna Mansky	Student
Maria Marquit	Support Staff
Kathy Martin	Community
William Ommerborn	Community
Wells Packard	Community
Lucky Palmer	Community
Anna Papadakis	Parent
Tammy Sutherland	Administration
Mary Linda Todd	Community

6. Acceptance of donation:

- a. Anne Holstein moved, seconded by Gregory Lampman and carried unanimously to accept the donation of one Dell Model M991 – 19” Color Monitor from Kathleen Martin, an estimated value of \$75.

VII. Discussion

A. Emergency Management Plan

Assistant Superintendent for Business Tammy Sutherland reported that the District Safety Committee continues to meet on a monthly basis and is comprised of Rachel Anderson, Loretta Crotty, Cheryl Dudley, Laurie Farricker, Michael Laster (replacing JoAnn Conlon due to retirement), Pamela Mitchell, Paul Overbaugh, Thomas Reinhardt, Robert Schrader, Tammy Sutherland, and David Winkler, in consultation with Michael Needham of Needham Risk Management Resource Group. The committee continues to address the Education Commissioner’s Regulation §155.17 concerning safety and emergency planning with special attention to ensure that all buildings are following the same procedures.

B. Superintendent’s Conference Day of November 23, 2005

Superintendent Cheryl A. Dudley reported on the November 23, 2005 Superintendent’s Conference Day. The faculty and administrators participated in selecting from three sessions (A, B, C) with menu of workshops for each. The strands included learning standards & assessments; legal issues in education; and safety & health and were presented by highly skilled faculty as in-house presenters as well as various individuals from out-of-district. Each workshop was evaluated by participants and the results are being tabulated to assist in future planning. Superintendent Dudley thanked all administrators and Communications Specialist

Margaret Kelly for their efforts in making Superintendent's Conference Day an overwhelming success.

C. Board of Education Workshop of November 28, 2005

President Wilton Bear, Jr. reported that the Board had discussed the agenda for the January 28, 2006 Meeting with the Town Boards and Planning Boards. Albany and Greene County Realtors will be invited to participate with the Boards. The Proposed Agenda is as follows:

Middle and High School Tour ~ Optional (one hour before the meeting)

Welcome and Introductions

Background: Demographics & Student Achievement (1 page)

Panel Discussion

How do you market GCSD and communities?

How can we better understand potential growth, number of new enrollees, and property turnover?

Open forum, other topics, and questions

Invitations to participants will be sent in December.

D. Personnel Recruitment: Elementary Assistant Principal

Superintendent Cheryl A. Dudley presented the Board with a timeline for the recruitment of the Elementary Assistant Principal as follows:

Target Date	Action	Responsibility
November 18	Post Vacancy	Superintendent & Secretary
	Advertisement of Vacancy	Superintendent & Secretary
	Identification of Interview Committee (Shared Decision Making Team)	Superintendent & BLT*
December 1	Interview Committee Workshop (Time: 1.5 hour)	Superintendent & P. Mahan
December 12	Deadline for Applications Materials received by Superintendent	Candidate
December 15	Completion of Screening	Superintendent & P. Mahan
December 19	Candidates~ Interview	Interview Committee
December 21 or 22	Final Interview	Superintendent & P. Mahan
January 9	Recommendation of Superintendent to BOE for the Appointment of Candidate	Superintendent
	Action by the Board of Education	Board of Education

on the recommendation of the
Superintendent

January 10

Letters to Other Candidate(s)

Superintendent &
Secretary

Assistant Principal Begins

**The members of the Ellis Elementary School Building Level Team (BLT) are: Stacey Case, JoAnn Conlon, William Kiefer, Peter Mahan, Maryanne Overbaugh, Anna Papadakis, Bonnie Persico, Josephine Rufa, Carole Smith, Bonnie Spencer and Lynne Zwickel. The BLT has also invited Maureen Pulice and Christine Wegrzyn to participate in the interviews with the BLT.*

E. Update on Capital Projects:

Tammy Sutherland, Assistant Superintendent for Business reported that the contractors for the Agriculture and Technology addition should be done by the end of December and Robert Schrader, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds and Scott Gardiner, Director of Technology will complete the computer and technology wiring. The addition should be available for use in the second semester. The bus garage project is moving slowly. The crane will be here on Wednesday to set the first two modulares and will return December 20th to set the others. Completion of the project is anticipated for mid-February. Superintendent Cheryl A. Dudley requested input from the Board as to what type of ceremony should be planned to acknowledge the opening of both facilities.

F. Transportation – Preliminary Budget Discussion:

Tammy Sutherland, Assistant Superintendent for Business discussed options for transportation of students to off-campus programs and the possible transition from contract to in-house transportation. Mrs. Sutherland will examine the issue to see which method is the most cost-effective in planning for next year's budget.

G. Potter Hollow School House:

Board Member Anne Mitchell reported that the Potter Hollow School House meeting held on Saturday, December 3, 2005 had been very productive. In attendance were Board of Education Members Anne Mitchell and Gregory Lampman, Robert Lansing, Sharon Lansing, Susan Lynch, Irene Olsen, and Superintendent Dudley. The group discussed possible options available to the Board such as conveying the property to a public corporation, conveying the property by bid at fair market value or retaining the property for educational purposes. The third option appears to be the most promising. If the school retains ownership of the property, the schoolhouse may be eligible to be listed on the New York State and National Registers of Historic Places. If an educational foundation is established for the Greenville Central School District under The Community Foundation for the Capital Region, a special committee of volunteers may be created to have oversight and manage donations and expenses specifically for the Potter Hollow School House project and that portion of the foundation. Since the goal would be to restore the school to its former condition, ADA compliance issues and utilities normally required would not be necessary or appropriate. The school would remain a part of the school district and use of facilities would be completed as for any school function, for example, building use forms, certificates of insurance for groups using premises, and fund raising forms. Cleaning and maintenance would need to be completed by volunteers and the District will need to provide insurance, however, no additional taxpayer dollars would be spent. It is anticipated that the Board will take action at the January Board meeting.

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

There were no new items for future discussion. Board Member Anne Mitchell expressed appreciation for the addition of executive session items to the agenda which provides further clarification of executive session items.

IX. Closing Open Forum

Susan Lynch of the Potter Hollow Bicentennial Committee expressed appreciation to Superintendent Cheryl A. Dudley for finding a workable solution to the Potter Hollow Schoolhouse issue.

X. Executive Session

At 8:20 P.M. Lawrence Tompkins moved, seconded by Tina Dombroski and carried unanimously to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss collective negotiations and matters concerning particular persons.

XI. Adjournment

At 9:09 P.M. Lawrence Tompkins moved, seconded by Rosanne Moore and carried unanimously to return to open session. At 9:10 P.M. Lawrence Tompkins moved, seconded by Rosanne Moore and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

School District Clerk

Board President