

MINUTES OF BOARD WORK SESSION HELD OCTOBER 13, 2021

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met for the Board Work Session on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 at 6:50 p.m., in the Conference Room of the Mercer County Career Center. The following members were present: Daniel Eppley, Steve Lewis, Richard Powers, Mary Reames, Richard Rossi, Howard Scott and President Dennis Webber. The following members were excused: John Forbes and Laura Leskovac

Others present: Brian S. Tokar, Superintendent
 Brandon Mirizio, Board Secretary/Business Manager
 Matthew Dieter, GES Principal
 Mark Karpinski, GHS Assistant Principal
 Dr. Jeffrey Keeling, GHS Principal
 Connie Timashenka, K-12 Special Education Director
 Joshua Stonebraker, GES Assistant Principal

Staff present: None (0)
Visitors: Three (3)
News media present: One (1)

Mr. Webber thanked Tony Miller; Administrative Director of Mercer County Career Center, for allowing the meeting to be held at the Center and providing a tour of the facilities prior to the start of the meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Tokar echoed Mr. Webber's thanks to the Career Center and commended Mr. Miller and his staff on the challenges they have faced with quarantines and remote learning associated with all the different schools they serve.

Mr. Tokar presented the board minutes, financial reports and bills for payment.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDED ACTION ITEMS

Activities Committee report by Mr. Tokar.

- Presented recommended action items including two additional first semester field trips and one second semester field trip.

Athletic Committee report by Mr. Tokar for the October 6th meeting.

- Reviewed information and discussion items from the meeting including fall sports updates.
- Presented recommended action items including winter sports schedules, winter athletic transportation bids, wrestling supply bids and updates to the winter and spring coaches lists.

Budget Committee report by Mr. Scott from the October 12th meeting.

- Reviewed information and discussion items from the meeting including data within the financial reports, 2022/2023 Act 1 index, PDE timeline for events related to the 2022/2023 budget process, listing of 2022 assessment appeals, update on the October 21, 2021 county upset tax sales, and a review of current veteran's exonerations.
- Presented recommended action items including a deposit agreement for dental services through Delta Dental, Per Capita and Occupational Tax exoneration requests and a request to attend the 2022 PASBO annual conference.

Legislative Committee had no report by Mrs. Reames.

Mercer County Career Center by Mr. Webber.

- Discussed current enrollments and programs and asked Mr. Miller to further discuss the current and projected enrollments as well as provide an update on the adult education courses being offered.

Midwestern Intermediate Unit had no report by Mr. Rossi.

Negotiations Committee had report by Mr. Webber.

- Discussed upcoming contract negotiations including transportation and shared food service director services that the Committee will begin discussion on in the coming months.

Policy Committee had report by Mrs. Reames from the September 22nd meeting.

- Presented recommended action items including second readings of policy revisions to #006 Meetings, #103 Discrimination/Title IX Sexual Harassment Affecting Students, #103 Discrimination/Title IX Sexual Harassment Affecting Staff, #218.3 Discipline of Student Convicted/Adjudicated of Sexual Assault, #626 attachment-procurement and #903 Public Participation in Board Meetings.

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Tokar reviewed the additional recommended action items related to 2022 PSBA officer election, subgrant agreements for 2021/2022 IDEA Sections 611 and 619 through the MIU IV, substitute listing updates, FMLA requests, support staff retirement and support staff employments. Mr. Tokar noted that personnel items will be discussed in further detail during executive session.

HEARING OF VISITORS

None

TOPICS REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM UPDATES

Mrs. Timashenka acknowledged the work done by the Career Center and noted how well MCCC staff is working with GASD staff. Mrs. Timashenka reviewed trainings conducted with staff at recent in-service day.

Mr. Stonebraker provided an update on the School-Wide Positive Behavioral Support Program.

Mr. Dieter presented the Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan for Board review and approval. Additionally, Mr. Dieter discussed the arrival of Smartboards and their use in the classrooms.

Mr. Karpinski thanked all involved in the recent homecoming activities and noted the upcoming football contest has been cancelled by the opponent.

Dr. Keeling reviewed the upcoming conclusion of the first nine weeks as well as highlighted activities conducted with staff at a recent in-service day. Additionally, Dr. Keeling announced the district will be getting back to the normal tradition of holding a Veterans Day Assembly with Mercer County Director of Veteran's Services Bradley Allen set to speak to students.

Mr. Mirizio provided an update on the status of the Financial Audit being conducted by Black, Bashor & Porsch.

Mr. Tokar expressed his condolences on the recent passing of David Ferguson, a long-time supporter of the Greenville Area School District.

Mr. Miller thanked the Board for holding the meetings at the Center and expressed his gratitude for Mr. Webber as the representative of the Greenville School Board to the Center. Mr. Miller thanked Mr. Webber for the time and service he has provided to the Center and the greater community.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:44 p.m. the board adjourned to executive session to receive information related to personnel, contractual and legal matters.

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.



Brandon Mirizio
Board Secretary