
MINUTES OF BOARD WORK SESSION HELD FEBRUARY 16, 2022

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met for their work session Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall of Greenville High School. The following members were present: Daniel Eppley, Russell Chace, Laura Leskovac, Steve Lewis, Lawrence (Rick) Powers, Mary Reames, Rick Rossi (*via telephone*), David Silvestri, President John Forbes.

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
 Joshua Stonebraker, GES Assistant Principal

Teachers present: One (1)
Visitors present: Two (2)
News media present: One (1)

Mr. Forbes opened the meeting emphasizing the need to focus on the positives allowing attendees to highlight a positive moment over the past month.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Mr. Tokar introduced Norbert Dietrich and Chris Yesnick of Black, Bashor, & Porsch, LLP who presented the June 30, 2021 independent auditor's report and single audit report for the Greenville Area School District noting that each were issued a clean opinion.

Mr. Tokar reported the acceptable results of lead water testing conducted at school facilities as well as distributed a Board Director Handbook to members.

Mr. Tokar presented the minutes, financial reports and bills for payment as recommended action item.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities Committee report for the February 11th meeting by Mrs. Leskovac.

- Presented recommended action items including 2021/2022 second semester field trips as well as the High School Prom that will be held on May 7th at Tiffany's Banquet Center in Brookfield, Ohio.
- Mr. Tokar added a possible recommended action item related to a musical performance would be reviewed in more detail later in the meeting.

Athletics Committee report for February 9th by Mr. Silvestri.

- Presented recommended action items including head volleyball and girls soccer coaching recommendations, 2022/2023 football and golf supply bids, spring sports transportation bids, spring coaches listing and spring athletic schedules.

Budget Committee report for February 15th meeting by Mr. Powers.

- Reviewed information and discussion items from the meeting including financial statements data review, 2022/2023 budget timeline which included staffing and local revenue projections, proposal from Berkheimer for the collection of occupational and per capita taxes, and updates on the Greenville High School Gymnasium painting and auditorium repairs request for bid timelines.
- Presented recommended action items including professional services agreement for auditorium repair consulting, purchase of Greenville High School media TV set design through a Greenville Area School District Educational Foundation donation as well as the audit reports presented by Black, Bashor & Porsch, LLP.

Legislative Committee had report by Mrs. Reames.

- Expressed a sincere thank you to current PA House Representative Mark Longetti who recently announced he will not be seeking another term in office. Mrs. Reames also highlighted the recent announcement by Greenville Area School District graduate Mitchel Henderson of his intention to run for the open seat.

Mercer County Career Center report by Mr. Forbes.

- Discussed the review of their draft 2022/2023 operating budget as well as discussions around the 13th year program, 2022/2023 school calendar, anticipated refunds to school districts as a result of their financial audit and an update on the practical nursing program.

Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV report by Mr. Rossi.

- Presented recommended action item of the 2022/2023 MIU IV general operating budget.

Negotiations Committee report for the February 1st meeting by Mr. Forbes.

- Noted the committee met in executive session to discuss contractual related items for employment, shared services with other LEAs as well as transportation contractor services.

Policy Committee had no report by Mrs. Reames.

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Tokar presented and reviewed additional recommended action items including a homebound instruction request, a summary of the District's ARP ESSER III initial plans for use, noting the district's effort to engage stakeholders, and expressed that this plan will be submitted through an application process for PDE approval. Mr. Tokar noted that final determination for specific uses related to facility items included in the application will be finalized at a later date after bids are obtained. Mr. Tokar reviewed notice of adoption of approved LEA policies, procedures and use of funds to the MIU IV, SEVIS application authorization of payment and submission related to international students, GASD cafeteria adult meal pricing adjustments, vehicle list updates for A-C Schools, special transportation route overview for A-C Schools, GES afterschool tutoring program transportation services through A-C Schools, special transportation route change through Erdos, linkage agreement with Sharon Regional, Berkheimer authorization form and consent of final payments for the GHS reroofing project with leftover construction funds. Mr. Tokar noted that the following will be discussed in further detail during executive session: professional and support staff retirement notices as well as additions to the day to day substitute listing.

HEARING OF VISITORS

None.

TOPICS REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM UPDATES

Mr. Stonebraker highlighted the recent student incentive program race against the Principals, Valentine's day party and noted this upcoming Friday there will be a school social as a part of the positive behavior program.

Mr. Dieter discussed the after-school tutoring program, restarting the One School One Book program, upcoming PTO sponsored events and a student's qualification for nationals in the equation's math competition.

Mr. Karpinski distributed an upcoming events summary, highlighted the conclusion of winter sports as they head into playoffs and thanked Dr. Keeling for his efforts in the live-streaming productions.

Dr. Keeling detailed the initial plans of an afterschool tutoring program at the secondary level they would like to offer two evenings per week, highlighted three students for their qualification in regional band, noting this is the most students representing the district in the past few years, discussed a plan to showcase musical talents by providing students in grades 7-12 an opportunity to perform selections of choice during an evening performance while looking to offer a master class the following day in conjunction with industry experts from Broadway. In conclusion, Dr. Keeling updated the board on ongoing discussions with Reynolds Area School District administrators on areas of cooperation in extracurriculars activities.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:30 p.m. the board adjourned to executive session to receive information related to personnel, contractual and legal matters.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.



Brandon Mirizio
Board Secretary