## MINUTES OF BOARD WORK SESSION HELD FEBRUARY 17, 2021

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met for the Board Work Session on Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., in the Lecture Hall of Greenville High School. The following members were present: Daniel Eppley, John Forbes, Laura Leskovac, Steve Lewis, Richard Powers, Howard Scott and President Dennis Webber. The following members were excused: Mary Reames and Richard Rossi.

Others present: Brian S. Tokar, Superintendent

Brandon Mirizio, Board Secretary/Business Manager

Mark Karpinski, GHS Assistant Principal

Dr. Jeffrey Keeling, GHS Principal

Connie Timashenka, K-12 Special Education Director

Joshua Stonebraker, GES Assistant Principal

Staff present: One (1)
Visitors: Two (2)
News media present: None (0)

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

Mr. Tokar discussed an all-call notification that went out that centered on the District shifting to a more inclusive in-person instructional schedule on March 1. Additionally, Mr. Tokar informed the Board that the calendar committee will be meeting tomorrow to work on the 2021/2022 school calendar.

## **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS & RECOMMENDED ACTION ITEMS**

Activities Committee report by Mrs. Leskovac from the January 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

- Reviewed meeting discussion items centered on the spring musical.

Athletic Committee report by Mr. Scott from the February 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- Reviewed information and discussion items from the meeting including Greenville Soccer Association field usage requests, storage containers that will no longer be available, Booster sponsored mobile/removable batting cages and request to consider future establishment of a junior varsity cheerleading squad.
- Presented recommended action items including winter sports coaching updates, spring sports coaching lists, girls volleyball coach, 2021 spring sport schedules, 2021 spring sports transportation and fall 2022 athletic supply bid awards.

Budget Committee report by Mr. Scott from the February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

- Reviewed information and discussion items from the meetings including data within the financial reports, preliminary 2021/2022 budget discussions, real estate tax assessment appeal notices, petition for distribution of 2018 sales notice, notice of filing account of deceased estate, cyber security insurance proposal and junior class/yearbook covid-19 fundraising impacts.
- Presented recommended action items including a services agreement for speech & language therapist coverage through MIU IV.

Legislative Committee had no report by Mrs. Reames.

Mercer County Career Center report by Mr. Webber.

- Discussed the draft budget that was reviewed in preparation for District approvals.

Midwestern Intermediate Unit had no report by Mr. Rossi.

- Mr. Tokar presented the MIU IV 2021/2022 general operating budget.

Negotiations Committee report by Mr. Webber.

- Informed of upcoming Act 93, Administrators and Supervisors employment agreement renewals for 2022.

Policy Committee had no report by Mrs. Reames.

Mrs. Reames announced the meeting scheduled for today was to be rescheduled.

### ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Webber and Mr. Tokar reviewed the additional recommended action items related to a letter of agency for E-Rate funding year 2021/2022, linkage agreement with Sharon Regional, 2021/2022 transportation overview updates and items to be discussed further in executive session including 2021/2022 bus driver list updates, staff retirement, support employment and an FMLA request.

#### **HEARING OF VISITORS**

None.

### **TOPICS REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS**

None.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM UPDATES**

Mr. Stonebraker highlighted the midpoint of the third quarter noting the distribution of progress reports next week. Mr. Stonebraker also noted a recent donation from the Brian Nagel family in memory of David Davis in the amount of \$400 dollars to be used for the Elementary Physical Ed Archery Program. Finally, Mr. Stonebraker announced kindergarten registration will begin February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Mr. Tokar added that the screening process for kindergarten that normally occurs during the school year will be moved back to the end of the school year due to a shortage of substitutes.

Mrs. Timashenka discussed special education transition meetings that have begun to occur while also noting current students enrolled in new Career Center programs are very much enjoying their experience and performing well.

Mr. Karpinski thanked all of the teachers and specifically Diane Martin for their work with underperforming students from the first nine weeks noting that out of ten students identified as underperforming eight have now been performing at a much higher rate of success.

Dr. Keeling highlighted the wrestling tournament over the weekend while Mr. Karpinksi added that seven out of eight weight classes for GHS advanced. Dr. Keeling discussed their current focus is on the preparations for the March 1<sup>st</sup> shifting of instruction to in-person learning.

Mr. Tokar thanked Dr. Keeling for his work on the current live streaming services that have been provided for a variety of District events.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:03 p.m. the board adjourned to executive session to receive information related to personnel and safety matters.

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Brandon Mirizio

**Board Secretary**