

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 19, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met in regular session Monday, February 19, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall of Greenville High School. The following members were present: Russell Chace, Kylee Lewis, Steve Lewis, Lori Warr Madura, Kim Ohr, Rick Rossi (via telephone), David Silvestri and Vice-President Laura Leskovac. The following member was excused: Lawrence (Rick) Powers.

Others present: Brian S. Tokar, Superintendent
 Brandon Mirizio, Board Secretary/Business Manager

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

Mrs. Leskovac led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Tokar introduced the new volleyball coach Lauryn Godinich who provided some general background information on herself, the current progress of the team and goals for the program.

Mr. Tokar discussed the agenda item related to a calendar revision to reflect an early dismissal on April 8th, to accommodate the total solar eclipse.

HEARING OF VISITORS – AGENDA ITEMS

None.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the minutes of the following Greenville Area School District meetings be approved as submitted:

Board Work Session of January 17, 2024
Board Regular Meeting of January 22, 2024

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the financial reports be approved as presented by the Board Secretary.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the bills for payment be affirmed and approved as presented and that the Board Secretary be authorized to complete the necessary checks for payment.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – FIELD TRIP REQUESTS

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the listing of 2nd semester field trip requests for the 2023/2024 school year be approved as shown as Exhibit A.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – ADVISORS

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the listing of paid advisors for 2023/2024 winter activities be approved as shown as Exhibit B.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – MUSICAL THEATRE CABARET

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the proposal submitted by the GHS Theatre Department to conduct a musical theatre cabaret on May 10, 2024, be approved as shown as Exhibit C.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – SPRING SPORTS SCHEDULES

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that athletic schedules for 2023/2024 spring sports be approved as shown as Exhibit D.

Furthermore, the Board authorizes associated athletic transportation to be scheduled through A-C Schools Services, Inc. in accordance with current contractual rates.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – COACHES

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the listing of athletic coaches and volunteers for 2023/2024 spring sports be approved as shown as Exhibit E, pending receipt of satisfactory clearances.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-abstain, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – TAX EXONERATION REQUESTS

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the requests made by Berkheimer for exonerations of Occupational and Per Capita Taxes be approved as shown as Exhibit F.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – ELECTION POLLING PLACE AGREEMENT

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the proposed agreement from the Mercer County Board of Elections for the use of the Greenville High School Library as an election polling place for the April 23rd General Primary and November 5th General Election, be approved as shown as Exhibit G.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – LINKAGE AGREEMENT

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the proposed linkage agreement from Sharon Regional Medical Center for Partial Hospitalization Programs, Pathfinders and Kite Strings, be approved as shown as Exhibit H.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENTS

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the independent contractor agreements for Girls on the Run and Heart & Sole 2024 spring camp coaches be approved as shown as Exhibit I.

Furthermore, program costs will be funded through associated Family Center grants.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – VEHICLE LISTING

Resolved that the updated vehicle listing as presented by A-C Schools Services, Inc. for the 2023/2024 school year be approved as shown as Exhibit J.

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – E-RATE PROPOSAL

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the bid proposals from Networking Technologies LLC for uninterruptible power supply (UPS) devices and network switches, as shown as Exhibit K, be approved pending federal funding through the FY2024 E-rate program.

Furthermore, the Board authorizes the Technology Director to execute all necessary contract documents.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – FACILITY USE REQUESTS

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the requests for use of school facilities that occur on a Sunday prior to 1pm, be approved as shown below:

Greenville Area Soccer Association	u15-u19 Soccer Games April 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024 May 5, 12, 19, 2024
Greenville Wrestling Club	Jr. High Wrestling Tournament February 25, 2024

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – DRIVER LISTING

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the request to add Matt Adams to the approved bus and van driver list for the 2023/2024 school year as submitted by A-C School Services, Inc. be approved.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – PARENT/VOLUNTEER LIST

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the request to add Tracy Schimp to the approved parent/volunteer list for the 2023/2024 school year, be approved.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE REQUEST

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the request for an intermittent family and medical leave of absence made by employee #354 beginning on January 4, 2024 tentatively through April 30, 2024 utilizing twelve (12) accumulated sick days with the remaining days unpaid, be approved in accordance with school board policy.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE REQUEST

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the request for an intermittent family and medical leave of absence made by employee #588 beginning on January 22, 2024 tentatively through May 31, 2024 utilizing all remaining accumulated sick time with the remaining days unpaid, be approved in accordance with school board policy.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE REQUEST

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the request for an intermittent family and medical leave of absence made by employee #847 beginning on February 1, 2024 tentatively through the end of the 2023/2024 school year utilizing accumulated sick days and/or personal days, be approved in accordance with school board policy.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE REQUEST

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the request for family and medical leave of absence made by employee #1087 tentatively beginning on March 5, 2024 for approximately ten (10) weeks utilizing all remaining accumulated sick days with the remaining days unpaid, be approved in accordance with school board policy.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE REQUEST

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the request for family and medical leave of absence made by employee #82 beginning on April 2, 2024 through May 31, 2024 utilizing forty-one (41) accumulated sick days, be approved in accordance with school board policy.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – SUBSTITUTE LIST

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the additions to the 2023/2024 substitute listing to be used on an as needed basis, be approved as follows, pending receipt of satisfactory clearances.

Kyle Gelvin, Greenville, PA	Professional Act 86
Kayla Nielsen, Greenville, PA	Support – Aide
Samantha Reid, Greenville, PA	Professional Act 86

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – RESIGNATIONS

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the following resignations be approved:

Rachael Chambers, GES Nurse Assistant	Effective February 12, 2024
Kristine Riddle, Family Center	Effective March 1, 2024

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – PROFESSIONAL STAFF RETIREMENT

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the following professional staff retirement notice, effective at the conclusion of the 2023/2024 school year, be approved:

Jodi McErlane, GES First Grade Teacher

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF RETIREMENT

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the following administrative staff retirement notice, effective May 3, 2024, be approved:

Gene Cianci, Building and Grounds Supervisor

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – SUPPORT EMPLOYMENT

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the following part-time support employment be approved retroactively as shown below:

Catherine Moore, Greenville, PA	GES Food Service \$11.50/Hour 2.5 – 3 Hours/Day Effective December 11, 2023
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Natalie Severo, Greenville, PA	GHS Food Service \$11.50/Hour 4 Hours/Day Effective January 8, 2024
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Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – SCHOOL CALENDAR REVISION

Motioned by Mr. Chace and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the revised 2023/2024 Greenville Area School District school calendar be approved as shown as Exhibit L.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

HEARING OF VISITORS – OTHER INFORMATION

None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Mr. Tokar discussed a variety of anticipated employment openings and vacancies that will be posted on the District webpage.

ADJOURNMENT

Motioned by Mr. Silvestri and seconded by Mr. Chace that the meeting be adjourned at 6:51.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye, Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.



Brandon Mirizio
Board Secretary