

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD JANUARY 21, 2014

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met in regular session Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., in the Lecture Hall. The following members were present: Charles Demarest, John Forbes, Laura Leskovac, Steve Lewis, Mary Reames, Richard Rossi, Howard Scott and President Dennis Webber (via telephone). Absent: Evan Gruver

Others present: Mark Ferrara, Superintendent
Michele A. Orahoad, Board Secretary
Brian Bronson, Elementary Principal K-6
Connie Timashenka, Special Education/Curriculum Director
Brian S. Tokar, Principal, Grades 10-11-12
Mark D. Hogue, Principal, Grades 7-8-9
Jodi Hibbard, Technology Director

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

Mrs. Reames led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT

Alex Ho presented the Student Council report highlighting the January academic, extracurricular, and service project events that took place at the High School.

HEARING OF VISITORS

Robin Fisher and Susan Risavi, on behalf of the Greenville Education Association, presented each board member with a travel mug and Sheetz gift card in recognition of their service to the community and dedication to improving education.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Rossi that the Minutes of the following Greenville Area School District meetings be approved as submitted: Board Meeting of December 3, 2013, and Board Workshop of January 15, 2014. All members present voted in the affirmative.

Vote: 8-0 Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Scott that the financial reports be approved as presented by the Board Secretary. All members present voted in the affirmative.

Vote: 8-0 Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Rossi that the Bills for Payment be approved as presented and that the Board Secretary be authorized to complete the necessary checks for payment.

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – RESIGNATION, BOARD MEMBER

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that the resignation submitted by Board Member Evan Gruver be approved effective January 31, 2014.

Vote: Mr. Rossi, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL - RESIGNATION, INSTRUCTIONAL AIDE

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Scott that the resignation submitted by Annamarie L. Geiwitz, Adamsville, PA, as a full-time instructional aide be approved effective December 27, 2013.

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL - EMPLOYMENT

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that Daniell Martin, Greenville, PA, be approved as a full-time instructional aide for the high school life skills classroom at a pay rate of \$10.00 per hour effective January 6, 2014.

Newly hired employees will be on a six-month probationary period. All employees are employees at will and can be terminated at any time and for any reason upon ten (10) days notice.

Vote: Mr. Rossi, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL - EMPLOYMENT

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Rossi that the following substitute positions be approved effective January 21, 2014:

Jackie Kytchak, Greenville, PA	Day-to-day Substitute Instructional Aide
Amy J. Salaga, Hermitage, PA	Day-to-day Substitute Teacher

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – PERMISSION TO BID

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Scott that the request for permission to bid the following projects be approved:

- Band Uniforms
- Crown and Re-sod Stewart Field
- Track Replacement

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – HHS DR ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that the attached design, bid and construction proposal submitted by HHS DR, Sharon, PA, be approved as shown as **Exhibit A**.

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – PLANCON PARK K – SERIES 2013

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mr. Demarest that the PlanCon Park K – General Obligation Bonds, Series 2013 submittal packet be approved as shown as **Exhibit B**.

Vote: Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – SPEECH AND LANGUAGE CONTRACTED SERVICES

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Scott that the Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV be approved to provide two Speech and Language contracted professional services at a total cost of \$20,771 through June 3, 2014.

Mr. Ferrara responded to a question from Mr. Rossi who inquired if the supervision of IU staff could be delegated to the District. He clarified that MIU IV contracted service fees are considered a "package" which would include direct service as well as supervisory costs.

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – 2014-2015 BUDGET NOT TO EXCEED INDEX

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Scott that the resolution not to exceed the index for 2014-2015 be approved as shown as **Exhibit C**.

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – PARENT TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mr. Demarest that a transportation agreement between the Greenville Area School District and the grandparent of two elementary students be approved.

Vote: Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – OUT OF STATE FIELD TRIP

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that an out of state field trip to The Challenger Learning Center in Wheeling, WV for approximately 11 students on April 16, 2014, at an approximate cost of \$475 be approved.

Vote: Mr. Rossi, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – 2014 SPRING SPORTS COACHES LIST

Moved by Mr. Forbes and seconded by Mr. Rossi that the partial 2014 spring sports coaches list be approved as shown as **Exhibit D**.

Vote: Mr. Forbes, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – 2014 SPORTS SCHEDULES

Moved by Mr. Forbes and seconded by Mr. Scott that the 2014 sports schedules be approved as shown as **Exhibit E**.

Vote: Mr. Forbes, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – 2014 SPRING SPORTS TRANSPORTATION BIDS

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Forbes that the 2014 spring sports transportation bids be approved as shown as **Exhibit F**.

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – 2014 TRACK SUPPLY BIDS

Moved by Mr. Forbes and seconded by Mr. Scott that the 2014 track supply bids be approved as shown as **Exhibit G**.

Vote: Mr. Forbes, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – REVISED 2013-2014 WINTER COACHES LIST

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that the 2013-2014 winter sports coaches list be approved as shown as **Exhibit H**.

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – INDEPENDENT STUDIES – 2ND SEMESTER

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mr. Scott that the following Independent Studies be approved to begin the 2nd semester of the 2013-2014 school year.

<u>Subject</u>	<u># of Students</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Credits</u>
Art 3	1	Mrs. Howard	.5/semester

Vote: Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – REQUEST FOR EXONERATION FOR TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT OCCUPATIONAL AND PER CAPITA TAXES

Moved by Mrs. Leskovac and seconded by Mr. Demarest that requests made by the Greenville Borough, Hempfield Township and Sugar Grove Township for permanent and temporary exonerations of occupational and per capita taxes be approved as shown as **Exhibit I**.

Vote: Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – FEE WAIVER, USE OF FACILITIES

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Rossi that the following requests to waive rental fees for the use of facilities be approved:

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| • MIU IV | GED Courses | January – May 2014 |
| • Eiks Club | Hoop Shoot | January 18, 2014 |
| • Knights of Columbus | Free Throw Competition | February 8, 2014 |
| • Key Club/Varsity G | Use of Cafeteria | June 16-21, 2014 |

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, abstain; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Scott that homebound instruction be approved for a secondary school student effective January 16. **In accordance with Board Policy No. 117, the period of homebound instruction for an individual shall not exceed three (3) months.**

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL –RESOLUTION TO AMEND SECTION 125 PLAN

Moved by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mr. Forbes to amend the district's Section 125 Plan, under IRS Notice 2013-71, permitting a carry- over to the next plan year of up to \$500 of unused participant account balances be approved as shown as **Exhibit J**.

Vote: Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL- DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that the District Organizational Chart be approved as shown as **Exhibit K**.

Mr. Rossi inquired about the Athletic Director's placement within the organizational chart.

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL –HHS DR ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mr. Demarest that the following district wide feasibility study proposal submitted by HHS DR, Sharon, PA approved as shown as **Exhibit L**.

Vote: Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; Mr. Webber, aye; and Mrs. Reames, aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mrs. Reames shared the recently released book titled "Legendary Locals of Pittsburgh" by author Joann Cantrell. Her husband, the late Brian Reames, who served as a GASD School Director from 1982 until 1988, has earned a place in the book of influential people in Allegheny County for having made a lasting impact on the world by sharing his story and helping other patients through the work of the Transplant Recipients International Organization (TRIO). Prior to the early 1980s, transplantation was still considered to be experimental. Although surgical techniques for transplantation had been developed and organs had been transplanted successfully, the routine rejection of transplanted organs by the patient's immune system limited the opportunities for success. With the introduction of cyclosporine in 1983, the most commonly used anti-rejection medication, transplantation became more routine.

In 1983, Mr. Reames, a heart transplant recipient at the Presbyterian University Hospital of Pittsburgh (currently named the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center [UPMC]), found little support for transplant recipients. Brian recognized the need for an organization to help transplant recipients and their families cope with the challenges they encountered during their transplant experience. With Mr. Reames' vision and leadership, and the dedication of other patients at the UPMC, the local support group Transplant Recipients International Organization (TRIO) was founded. Today, TRIO maintains active chapters across the United States, Australia, Japan and Italy.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE


Mr. Ferrara announced that the deadline for prospective residents seeking to apply for the board vacancy may do so by contacting his office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 12.

HEARING OF VISITORS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Mr. Webber and seconded by Mr. Forbes to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m.


Michele A. Orahood
Business Manager