

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD MARCH 17, 2015

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met in regular session Monday, March 17, 2015 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 – joined the meeting at 7:16 p.m. via telephone, Howard Scott and President Dennis Webber. Absent: Lisa Holm

Others present: Mark Ferrara, Superintendent
Michele A. Orahood, Board Secretary
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: One (1)
Visitors present: Three (3)
News media present: One (1)

President Webber led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

At 7:02 p.m. the Board adjourned into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. The meeting reconvened at 7:09 p.m.

HEARING OF VISITORS

Mr. Josh Lentz and Mrs. Megan Yeatts addressed the Board on the success of the Back Pack program and shared their experiences from the past year which was made possible through the generosity of the packing teams, volunteers and donations from the community.

Mr. Rick Zilla presented the evolution of the STEM curriculum and discussed future equipment and facility needs within the department.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mr. Forbes that the Minutes of the following Greenville Area School District meetings be approved as submitted: Board Workshop and Board Meeting of February 11, 2015, and Board Workshop Meeting of March 11, 2015. 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 Mrs. Leskovic 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. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovic, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mrs. Reames, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; and President Webber, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL - RESIGNATIONS

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Forbes that the following resignations be approved:

Jody Wansor	Part-time Cafeteria Associate effective March 4, 2015
John R. Hast	Declined Custodial Manager Position – no formal resignation submitted

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

APPROVAL – RESIGNATION

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Scott that the following be approved:

Becca Shaffer	Full-time Teacher effective March 12, 2015
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Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovic, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mrs. Reames, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; and President Webber, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – EMPLOYMENT

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mrs. Leskovic that the following be approved for employment:

Jesica Brocklehurst	Substitute Cafeteria Associate effective immediately
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Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovic, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mrs. Reames, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; and President Webber, aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL – SUBSTITUTE PAY

Moved by Mrs. Reames and seconded by Mr. Forbes that the substitute pay rate of \$10.00 per hour for substitute custodians and substitute instructional aides be approved.

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

APPROVAL – SNOW REMOVAL STIPEND

Moved by Mrs. Reames and seconded by Mr. Forbes that Gene Cianci, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, be paid a one-time stipend, in the amount of \$1,000 for additional snow removal during the 2014-2015 school year, be approved.

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

APPROVAL – OVERNIGHT TRIP

Moved by Mr. Forbes and seconded by Mr. Scott that the following overnight trip be approved:

PMEA State Chorus, Hershey, PA

* Mrs. Demarest and Qualifying Student Lauren Faber
Depart 03/25/15 and Return 03/28/15

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

APPROVAL – NOMINATION/ELECTION OF IU BOARD MEMBER

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mrs. Reames that Mr. Richard Rossi be approved as a nominee for consideration as an Intermediate Unit IV board member for a three year term from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018.

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

APPROVAL – 2015-2016 MIU4 GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mrs. Reames that the 2015-2016 MIU4 General Operating Budget be approved as shown as **Exhibit A**.

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

APPROVAL – 2015-2016 MERCER COUNTY CAREER CENTER BUDGET

Moved by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mrs. Demarest that the 2015-2016 Mercer County Career Center Budget be approved as shown as **Exhibit B**.

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

APPROVAL – INSTALLATION OF SYNTHETIC TURF STEWART FIELD

Moved by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mrs. Reames that the proposal in the amount of \$597,000 to install a synthetic playing surface submitted by FieldTurf be approved. The contract is awarded in accordance with the competitive procurement pricing available to members of the Keystone Purchasing Network Contract Number: KPN #201202-01KPN an initiative of the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit.

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

- High School Roof - Sections A & C

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

APPROVAL – MEMBERSHIP THE KEYSTONE PURCHASING NETWORK (KPN)

Moved by Mrs. Reames and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that membership in the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit (CSIU) initiated cooperative purchasing program known as The Keystone Purchasing Network (KPN) be approved.

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

APPROVAL - ACT 80 DAY

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mr. Scott that the 2014-15 school calendar be adjusted for all students to reflect Friday, February 20, 2015, as an Act 80 day for the purpose of curriculum planning.

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

**APPROVAL – 2015-2016 MIU IV CONSOLIDATED
FEDERAL PROGRAMS CO-OP PARTICIPATION**

Moved by Mrs. Leskovac and seconded by Mr. Demarest that the Greenville Area School District will participate in the 2015-2016 MIU IV Consolidated Federal Programs Co-Op be approved.

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

APPROVAL – HEMPFIELD ELEMENTARY SURVEY

Moved by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mr. Demarest

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District approves the proposal of McIlvried, DiDiano & Mox, LLC. to provide Professional Survey Services for the Hempfield Elementary School site in the amount of \$12,200.

FURTHER, the Board Secretary is authorized to sign the proposal.

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

APPROVAL – PRIVATE TAX SALE

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mrs. Reames that the Private Tax Sale of 114 S. Second St. submitted by Portnoff Law Associates be approved as shown as **Exhibit C**.

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

APPROVAL – SPECIAL EDUCATION PLAN

Moved by Mr. Forbes and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that the Special Education Plan effective 7/1/15 through 6/30/18 be approved for public review for twenty-eight) 28 days as shown as **Exhibit D**.

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

APPROVAL – BOARD POLICIES

Moved by Mrs. Reames and seconded by Mr. Demarest that the following Board Policies be approved as shown as **EXHIBIT E**.

- 000 Board Policy/Procedure/Administrative Regs
- 002 Authority & Powers
- 004 Membership
- 100 Comprehensive Planning
- 101 Mission Statement
- 102 Academic Standards
- 105 Curriculum
- 105.1 Review of Instructional Materials
- 106 Guides for Planned Instruction
- 107 Adoption of Planned Instruction
- 108 Adoption of Textbooks
- 109 Resource Materials
- 112 Guidance Counseling
- 702.1 Naming Rights

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

APPROVAL – RELEASE TO RETURN TO WORK

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that following a sabbatical medical leave of absence, Janice Abernethy, Elementary Teacher, be approved to return to work effective March 18, 2015.

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

APPROVAL - EMPLOYMENT

Moved by Mr. Forbes and seconded by Mr. Scott that the following be approved:

Benjamin Maund, Greenville, PA	Volunteer Track Coach, Grades 7-12
**Gary Martin, Greenville, PA	Volunteer Track Coach, Grades 7-12

**Pending receipt of satisfactory clearances

*Henry Becker, Greenville, PA	Custodial Manager/Custodian at a pay rate of \$15.00 per hour pending receipt of all required employment documents
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*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. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mrs. Reames, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; and President Webber, aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

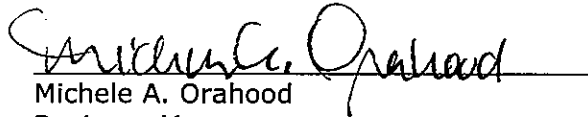
Mr. Ferrara discussed the results of the Penny Wars donation in the amount of \$2,900 to the Public Library. He also announced that a Special Board Meeting would be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the Lecture Hall to discuss the building renovations.

HEARING OF VISITORS

Mr. Tom Wagner, Athletic Director Karns City School District, discussed his experience with the installation of the synthetic playing surface at his district and the benefits to the community.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Forbes and seconded by Mr. Demarest that the meeting be adjourned at 8:31 p.m.


Michele A. Orahood
Business Manager