MINUTES OF THE REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING HELD DECEMBER 3, 2013

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met in Reorganization Session Tuesday, December 3, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., in the Lecture Hall. The following members were present: Charles Demarest, John Forbes, Mary Reames, Richard Rossi, and President Dennis Webber. Absent: Evan Gruver

Others present:

Mark Ferrara, Superintendent

Michele A. Orahood, Board Secretary
Brian Bronson, East Elementary Principal

Connie Timashenka, Hempfield Elementary Principal/

Special Education Supervisor Brian S. Tokar, High School Principal Jodi Hibbard, Technology Technician

Teachers present:

One (1)

Visitors present:

Seven (7)

News media present:

One (1)

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

<u>SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS</u>

Oath of Office was administered by District Justice, Brian Arthur for new board members: Laura L. Leskovac, Stephen Lewis and Howard C. Scott

ELECTION OF TEMPORARY PRESIDENT

Nomination from the floor.

Moved by Mr. Webber and seconded by Mr. Demarest that Mrs. Reames be nominated as President Pro tem.

Nominations closed.

Moved by Mr. Webber and seconded by Mr. Scott that nominations for President Pro tem be closed.

Election of President Pro tem.

Moved by Mr. Webber and seconded by Mr. Scott that Mrs. Reames be elected as President Pro tem.

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

ELECTION FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

Nominations from the floor.

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Rossi that Mr. Webber be nominated as President.

Nominations closed.

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Scott that nominations for President be closed.

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

Election of President.

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Rossi that Mr. Webber be elected as President.

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

ASSUMPTION OF THE CHAIR BY THE PRESIDENT

ELECTION FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT

Nominations from the floor.

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mr. Demarest that Mrs. Reames be nominated as Vice President.

Nominations closed.

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Scott that nominations for Vice President be closed.

Vote: 8-0 Motion Carried

Election of Vice President.

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Scott that Mrs. Reames be elected as Vice President.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mr. Demarest that the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held November 18, 2013, be approved as submitted.

Vote: 8-0 Motion Carried

<u>APPROVAL - PAYMENT OF BILLS</u>

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Rossi that any bills payable in December 2013, as presented by the Board Secretary, be subject to final approval at the January 21, 2014, meeting of the Board.

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

ESTABLISH THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS FOR 2014

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mrs. Reames that the regular monthly Board meetings be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Greenville High School Lecture Hall as follows:

January 21, 2014 (Tuesday)

February 18, 2014 (Tuesday)

March 17, 2014

April 23, 2014 (Wednesday)

May 19, 2014

June 16, 2014

August 18, 2014

September 15, 2014

October 20, 2014

November 17, 2014

December 2, 2014 - Reorganization Meeting (Tuesday)

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

ESTABLISH THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD WORKSHOP SESSIONS FOR 2014

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Rossi that the regular monthly Board workshop meeting be held 7:00 p.m. in the Greenville High School Lecture Hall as follows:

January 15, 2014

February 12, 2014

March 12, 2014

April 16, 2014

May 14, 2014

June 11, 2014

August 13, 2014

September 10, 2014

October 15, 2014

November 12, 2014

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

APPROVAL - 2013 REAL ESTATE EXONERATION & REFUND

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mr. Demarest that a refund request in the amount of One Hundred Eighty Dollars and 61/100 (\$180.61) from Rodney and Patti Lewandowski, 55 Gibson Rd., for a 2013 real estate tax exoneration be approved.

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

At 7:18 p.m. the board adjourned into executive session to discuss legal representation. The board reconvened the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

APPROVAL - BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Mrs. Reames and seconded by Mr. Scott that the following 2013-2014 board appointments be approved:

Board Treasurer

Charles Demarest

Solicitor

Tom Breth

Alternate MCCC Representative

Rick Rossi

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Mr. Ferrara welcomed the new directors to the board and encouraged them to feel free to contact him with any questions along the way. An orientation will be scheduled sometime in January for new as well as board members who have served previously. He also reviewed upcoming dates for PSBA Board Leadership workshops and two suggested reads; How Full is Your Bucket & World Class Learners.

Mr. Bronson informed the board of his upcoming meetings with grade levels at Hempfield.

Mrs. Timashenka advised the board that she is splitting her time at Hempfield in the mornings while focusing on Special Education in the afternoons. She will attend Standards Aligned System (SAS) training next week.

Ms. Hibbard reported that the band width upgrades are complete and we should have improved speed while accessing the internet due to the new line.

Mr. Tokar announced that Keystone Exam testing window begins tomorrow with the literature assessment followed by biology. The students' measure of proficiency in the algebra content area will be taken after the winter break.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Webber stressed the importance of regular attendance at the monthly committee meetings and requested that the committee members let him know when they will be absent.

Mrs. Reames announced tentative plans are underway for a welcoming reception in honor of Mr. Ferrara which will be scheduled for January.

Administration is looking at Dual Enrollment opportunities and will present a recommendation to the board for future changes once a comprehensive review of all phases of the program is considered.

Upcoming Meetings:

12/5 Meeting to hear a security proposal prepared by Stanley Security

HEARING OF VISITORS

Mr. Chris Williams and Mrs. Alecia Eppley expressed their thanks to Mr. Webber for his countless hours of service and volunteerism in support of the band programs. Mr. Williams presented Mr. Webber with a card as a token of appreciation for his assistance with fundraising activities and transportation of the instruments to the out of district performances.

A motion by Mrs. Reames and seconded by Mr. Demarest to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Michele A. Orahood

Business Manager