

**MINUTES OF BOARD WORK SESSION HELD FEBRUARY 15, 2023**

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met for their Work Session Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 6:30p.m. in the Lecture Hall of Greenville High School. The following members were present: Russell Chace, John Forbes, Rob Robertson, Rick Rossi, David Silvestri and President Laura Leskovac. The following members were excused: Steve Lewis, Lawrence (Rick) Powers and Mary Reames.

Others present:                    Brian S. Tokar, Superintendent  
    Brandon Mirizio, Board Secretary/Business Manager  
    Matthew Dieter, GES Principal  
    Mark Karpinski, GHS Assistant Principal  
    Dr. Jeffrey Keeling, GHS Principal  
    Joshua Stonebraker, GES Assistant Principal

Teachers present:                One (1)  
Visitors present:                Three (3)  
News media present:            One (1)

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Mr. Tokar discussed the importance of addressing concerns centered on students facing increased effects of stress and anxiety as he introduced Dr. Will Davies and Roz Korai of the Allegheny Health Network to present on the CHILL Project. Dr. Davies and Ms. Korai presented information on the program and options available to the District.

Mr. Tokar communicated a thank you note from the organizers of the Night to Shine event.

Mr. Tokar presented Board Minutes, Financial Reports and Bills for Payment.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Activities Committee – February 10, 2023 Meeting by Mr. Forbes

- Presented recommended action items related to 2022/2023 Second Semester Field Trip requests, facility use requests for the GHS Cafeteria for His Work His Way on 06/19–23/2023, GHS Cafeteria for Boys Soccer Boosters Purse Bingo 03/11/2023 and GHS Auditorium for Penn Ohio Young Actors Showcase 07/10-16/2023. Additionally, Mr. Forbes discussed a booster sponsored Steel Drum Band trip to Virginia Beach for the International Steel Festival 05/12-13/2023.
- Dr. Keeling discussed a request to purchase replacement GHS Marching Band Uniforms as well as GHS Band Front Uniforms.

Athletics Committee – February 8, 2023 Meeting by Mr. Silvestri

- Presented recommended action items related to Spring Sports Schedules, Spring Sports Transportation, Spring Sports Coaches Updates and Boys’ Tennis Supplies.
- Discussed informational items related to the possible replacement of football jerseys as well as use of facilities over the summer by the Greenville Soccer Association.
- Mr. Tokar presented a recommended action item related to a Boys’ Soccer Co-Op Agreement with Jamestown HS and Reynolds HS for the 2023/2024 season.

Budget & Finance Committee – January 25, 2023 & February 9, 2023 Meetings by Mr. Tokar

- Presented recommended action items related to Per Capita and Occupational Exoneration requests as well as the need to reject of all submitted bids for HHS DR #4494 ARP ESSER project and seek authorization to rebid HHS DR #4494 ARP ESSER project with a more narrow scope for base bids.

Legislative Committee had no report.

Mercer County Career Center report by Mr. Silvestri

- Discussed the recent Skills Competition that occurred at the Center while highlighting four GHS students who received medals while also providing an update on programs and graduation plans.

Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV report by Mr. Rossi

- Presented recommended action item related to 2023-2024 MIU IV General Operating Budget.
- Mr. Tokar presented a recommended action item related to 2023-2024 Notice of Adoption of Approved LEA Policies, Procedures and Use of Funds by School District.

Negotiations Committee report by Mr. Chase

- Discussed recent meeting with the Greenville Education Association regarding contract negotiations.

Policy Committee – January 18, 2023 Meeting by Mr. Tokar

- Presented recommended action items related to a revision to the Nepotism Policy that would include a declaration.

### **ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED ACTION ITEMS**

Mr. Tokar presented additional recommended action items related to School Leaders' Legal Liability Renewal with CM Regent through Bittel Insurance, a Letter of Agreement with The Meadows Psychiatric Center, Independent Contractor Agreements for Girls' On The Run Program Coaches, GHS Tennis Court Resurfacing possible bid award, GASD Roof Maintenance/Repairs possible bid award. Additionally, Mr. Tokar presented an Act 93 Early Retirement Incentive, Personnel Adjustments related to additions to the substitute listing, hiring recommendations, resignations and retirements that will be further discussed in executive session.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Mr. Dieter provided an update on the afterschool tutoring program, announced packets will be available for Kindergarten enrollment beginning next week and noted the return of the "One School One Book" program in March.

Mr. Stonebraker highlighted school-wide assemblies that included high school athletes displaying the importance of the Trojan traits while discussing the possibility of spotlighting students in the arts for future assemblies.

Dr. Keeling noted the conclusion of winter sports, promoted a new program through the United Way called "Teens to Careers" that Mrs. Kelly has been initiating at the District as well as discussing a possible collaboration with Penn Northwest programming to connect juniors and seniors with business owners about joining the work force directly after graduation.

Mr. Karpinski discussed a junior high boys basketball game that was held during the end of the school day to highlight good behavior and promote opportunities within the school while also reviewing upcoming events for the High School.

Mr. Tokar announced the District would again be a Mercer County election location for the May and November elections.

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

None.

#### **HEARING OF VISITORS**

Mr. Little of Greenville, PA spoke on concerns of millage, the Commissioners' pursuit of a countywide reassessment, and the overall effect this will have on the elderly members of the community. Additionally, Mr. Little expressed his concern with a lack of employers in the area as well as the overall decline in population and demographics over the years.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m. to executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel related items.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.



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Brandon Mirizio  
Board Secretary