

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD APRIL 20, 2015

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met in regular session Monday, April 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., in the Lecture Hall. The following members were present: Charles Demarest, John Forbes, Lisa Holm, Laura Leskovac, Steve Lewis, Mary Reames, Richard Rossi, Howard Scott and President Dennis Webber.

Others present: Mark Ferrara, Superintendent
 Michele A. Orahood, 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: One (1)
Visitors present: Six (6)
News media present: One (1)

President Webber led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

President Webber announced that a public meeting immediately preceded tonight's meeting where presentations concerning future building renovations were given by Greer Hayden, HHS DR and Ed Cvelbar, Opterra Energy.

HEARING OF VISITORS

Mr. Donald Si addressed the board on METEN ENGLISH. METEN ENGLISH was established in 2006 with the sole purpose of offering the English language to English learners. The first center opened in Chongqing back in 2006. Since then METEN ENGLISH has expanded to 59 centers in 19 cities throughout China, including Shenzhen, Guangzhou, Dongguan, Zhongshan, Foshan, Beijing, Suzhou, Xiamen, Chengdu, Chongqing and Wuhan.

Mrs. Renee Calleja discussed a new learning support initiative for grades K, 1, 7 and 8. Secondary students exchanged buddy journals with elementary students to practice their writing skills.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mrs. Reames and seconded by Mr. Rossi that the Minutes of the following Greenville Area School District meetings be approved as submitted: Board Meeting of March 17, 2015, and Board Workshop of April 15, 2015. All members present voted in the affirmative.

Vote: 9-0 Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

Vote: 9-0 Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Ms. Holm 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; Ms. Holm, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, aye; Mr. Lewis, aye; Mrs. Reames, aye; Mr. Rossi, aye; Mr. Scott, aye; and President Webber, aye.
Motion carried.

APPROVAL – (RESCIND) INTENT TO RETIRE

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Ms. Holm that the request to rescind his intent to retire the end of the 2014-2015 school year for Mark Hayes be approved.

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Ms. Holm, aye; Mrs. Leskovac, 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 Ms. Holm that the resignation of Meghan Barlett, dance line advisor, be approved effective the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

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

APPROVAL – SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Moved by Mrs. Reames and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that following be approved as substitute teachers:

Kristen Fedder	Punxsutawney, PA	Graduation: May 3, 2015
Emily Skebo	Hubbard, OH	Graduation: May 3, 2015
Duncan Wingard	West Middlesex, PA	Graduation: May 3, 2015

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

APPROVAL – SUBSTITUTE POSITIONS

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that substitute positions be approved effective immediately:

Tyler Becker, Greenville, PA	substitute custodian
Frances Conover, Greenville, PA	substitute instructional aide and custodian

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

APPROVAL – SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Ms. Holm that the following be approved for summer employment at a pay rate of \$8.00 per hour:

Joan Gardill	Greenville, PA	school supply sorting, misc tasks
Braden Gladys	Greenville, PA	maintenance
Jamison Lopochohsky	Greenville, PA	maintenance
Elizabeth Rupert	Greenville, PA	secretarial coverage, misc tasks
Deanna Shine	Greenville, PA	secretarial coverage, misc tasks

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

APPROVAL – BUS/VAN DRIVERS

Moved by Mr. Rossi and seconded by Ms. Holm that the following bus/van drivers be approved as requested by Frye, Inc.

Gary Hittle, Greenville, PA
Merle McClimans, Jamestown, PA

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

APPROVAL - PURCHASE ISUZU/12' MORGAN BOX TRUCK

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mrs. Reames that the proposal to purchase a 2015 Isuzu truck at a cost of \$44,717.33 from Dave Hallman Chevrolet Erie, PA purchased through the Costar buying group be approved.

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

APPROVAL - DISPOSAL OF 2000 CHEVROLET/GRUMMAN-OLSON BOX TRUCK

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Ms. Holm that the disposal of the 2000 Chevrolet box truck approved.

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

APPROVAL - COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH LIVING WORD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Moved by Mrs. Reames and seconded by Mr. Rossi that the cooperative agreement between the Living Word Christian School and the Greenville Area School District to provide post-secondary coursework to domestic and international students be approved as shown as **Exhibit A**.

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

APPROVAL – FEE WAIVER, USE OF FACILITIES

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

St Michael School GHS Track April 13 – May 26, 2015

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Ms. Holm, 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 REPORT

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mr. Scott that the Special Education Plan Report dated 07/01/2015 through 06/30/2018 be approved as shown as **Exhibit F**.

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

APPROVAL – INSTRUCTIONAL, ATHLETIC & JANITORIAL SUPPLY BIDS

Moved by Mr. Demarest and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that the instructional, athletic and janitorial supply bids be approved as shown as **Exhibit G**.

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

APPROVAL – 2015 PENNSYLVANIA YOUTH SURVEY (PAYS) AGREEMENT

Moved by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that the Greenville Area School District agrees to participate in the 2015 Pennsylvania Youth Survey Project (PAYS) at no cost to the district be approved as shown as **Exhibit H**.

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

APPROVAL – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Moved by Mrs. Reames and seconded by Mr. Rossi that the Greenville Area School District Administrative Team be given the authority to develop a 2-party memorandum of understanding with the METEN Group, China, for an agreed upon educational program to provide student and teacher services to their clients pending final approval of the agreement by the Greenville Area School District Board of Directors be approved.

Vote: Mr. Demarest, aye; Mr. Forbes, aye; Ms. Holm, 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 informed the board of future discussions with the fundraising committee to research the possibility of incorporating a community swimming pool on school grounds.

Dr. Hogue extended a luncheon invitation to the board members on Monday, April 27 to meet with METEN ENGLISH representatives.

Mr. Bronson discussed the planned activities for the PSSA kick off. The board viewed motivational videos created by the elementary teachers to encourage student to do their best on the assessments.

President Webber reminded the board members to return their evaluation forms and Career Center ballots.

HEARING OF VISITORS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Forbes and seconded by Mr. Rossi that the meeting be adjourned at 9:21 p.m.


Michèle A. Orahood
Business Manager