

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD MAY 20, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met in regular session Monday, May 20, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall of Greenville High School. The following members were present: Russell Chace, Laura Leskovac, Kylee Lewis, Steve Lewis, Lori Warr Madura, Kim Ohr, Rick Rossi, Lawrence (Rick) Powers, and David Silvestri.

Others present: Brian S. Tokar, Superintendent
Brandon Mirizio, Board Secretary/Business Manager

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

HEARING OF VISITORS – AGENDA ITEMS

None.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Rossi announced the Board will enter into Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss personnel related issues, the Board returned at 6:45 p.m.

Mr. Tokar acknowledged the nine professional retirements and two pending administrative resignations noting that this is an important time in our District as we look to replace the experience those individuals brought to the District. Mr. Tokar noted that pending board approval this evening, the district will begin that process with the hiring of 10 professional educators and the employment of an Assistant to the Superintendent.

Mr. Tokar also announced that a special meeting will be held on June 5, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall.

APPROVAL – AGENDA ADDENDUM

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the Board amend the previously presented agenda for the May 20, 2024 Regular Meeting for the purpose of acting on business arising within twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motioned by Mrs. Ohr and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the minutes of the following Greenville Area School District meetings be approved as submitted:

Board Work Session of April 17, 2024
Board Regular Meeting of April 22, 2024

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mr. Chace that the financial reports be approved as presented by the Board Secretary.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mrs. Madura that the bills for payment be affirmed and approved as presented and that the Board Secretary be authorized to complete the necessary checks for payment.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – ADVISORS

Motioned by Mrs. Ohr and seconded by Mrs. Madura Resolved that fall activities advisors and volunteers for the 2024/2025 school year be approved as shown as Exhibit A, pending receipt of satisfactory clearances.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – COACHES

Motioned by Mr. Silvestri and seconded by Mr. Chace that coaches and volunteers for the 2024/2025 fall athletic seasons be approved as shown as Exhibit B, pending receipt of satisfactory clearances.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – BOYS BASKETBALL COACHES

Motioned by Mrs. Ohr and seconded by Mr. Chace that the following 2024/2025 Boys Basketball coaches be approved, pending receipt of satisfactory clearances.

Mark Batt, Greenville, PA
Jim Miale, Meadville, PA

Varsity Head Coach
Varsity Assistant Coach

Furthermore, the Board authorizes the Superintendent to approve additional summer coaches, pending receipt of satisfactory clearances.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – TAX EXONERATION REQUESTS

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the requests made by Berkheimer for exonerations of Occupational and Per Capita Taxes be approved as shown as Exhibit C.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – JUDICIAL SALES

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mrs. Madura that the acceptance of service requests on behalf of the Mercer County Tax Claim Bureau for the petition of Judicial Sales be approved as listed below:

- No. 2024-1068
- No. 2024-1069
- No. 2024-1070
- No. 2024-1072

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – COMPUTER SERVICES RENEWAL

Motioned by Mrs. Madura and seconded by Mrs. Ohr that the computer services renewal rates with Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit for the 2024/2025 fiscal year (charges based on enrollment) be approved as shown below:

Fund Accounting	\$6,296
Human Resources	\$3,435
Payroll	\$6,884

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – DEMAND RESPONSE PROGRAM

Motioned by Mrs. Ohr and seconded by Mrs. Madura that the proposed agreement with JMI Consultants for participation in a Demand Response Program be approved as shown as Exhibit D.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – VISION INSURANCE RENEWAL

Motioned by Mrs. Ohr and seconded by Mrs. Madura that the proposed renewal rates with Vision Benefits of America for the policy period effective 11/1/24 through 10/31/26, be approved as shown below:

Employee Only	\$7.30
Employee + Spouse	\$13.90
Employee + Child(ren)	\$14.24
Family	\$18.98

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITY IMPROVEMENT GRANT

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the authorization resolution and matching funds commitment letter be approved for Greenville Area School District's \$1,553,887 Public School Facility Improvement Grant application for the replacement of windows at the Junior/Senior High School building, as shown as Exhibit E.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – PROPOSED FINAL GENERAL FUND BUDGET

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mrs. Madura that the 2024/2025 proposed general fund budget in the amount of \$26,634,776 be approved as shown as Exhibit F.

Furthermore, the budget shall be made available in the business office during business hours for public inspection until final adoption on Monday, June 24, 2024.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. Chace-nay; Mrs. Leskovac-nay, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mrs. Ohr that the quote submitted by Erdos Transport Services, Inc. for Extended School Year transportation of one (1) student to and from New Horizon, Beaver, PA in the amount of \$244/per day (\$122/per run) be approved in accordance with the 2023/2024 special transportation agreement.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – FIELD HOUSE ROOF

Motioned by Mrs. Ohr and seconded by Mrs. Madura that the quote submitted by Liberty Roofing Pros LLC in the amount of \$22,175 for the replacement of identified sections of the GHS Field House roof be approved as shown as Exhibit G.

Furthermore, project costs shall be funded with General Obligation Note Borrowing, Series 2022 proceeds.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Motioned by Mrs. Madura and seconded by Mrs. Ohr that the proposal from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt in the amount of \$5,500 for Into Reading K-6 coaching and training courses be approved as shown as Exhibit H.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – SEL TRAINING PROPOSAL

Motioned by Mrs. Madura and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that the proposal for summer training activities be approved as shown as Exhibit I.

Furthermore, associated costs will be funded through available ARP ESSER resources required for social and emotional learning professional development.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – FAMILY CENTER STIPEND

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mrs. Ohr that the request for designated Parent Educators to receive a stipend through available 2023/2024 Family Center funding be approved as shown as Exhibit J.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – MEAL PRICES

Motioned by Mrs. Ohr and seconded by Mr. Chace that the Cafeteria meal prices for the 2024/2025 school year, per the District’s participation in the Community Eligibility Provision Program, be approved as follows:

Student Breakfast	\$0.00
Student Lunch	\$0.00
Adult Breakfast	\$2.50
Adult Lunch	\$4.75

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – MILK & DAIRY SUPPLY

Motioned by Mrs. Ohr and seconded by Mrs. Madura that the quote submitted by Turner Dairy for the supply of milk and dairy products for the 2024/2025 school year be approved a shown as Exhibit K.

Furthermore, the Board authorizes the Food Service Director to execute all necessary contract documents.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – ANNUAL SEALCOATING

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mrs. Madura that the bid proposal submitted by J&T Paving Inc. in the amount of \$29,703 for 2024/2025 annual maintenance sealcoating be approved as shown as Exhibit L.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mrs. Ohr that the 2024 Special Education Extended School Year program, schedule, staffing and transportation through A-C Schools, be approved as shown as Exhibit M.

Furthermore, associated program costs will be funded through available IDEA resources.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Motioned by Mrs. Ohr and seconded by Mr. Powers that the proposal from Gateway Engineers for services related to the notice of termination of an NDPES permit, be approved as shown as Exhibit N.

Furthermore, costs shall be funded with General Obligation Note Borrowing, Series 2022 proceeds.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – PASSENGER VEHICLE

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that the proposal submitted by Bill McCandless Ford for a 10-passenger ADA accessible van in the amount of \$87,202 through Co-STARS Contract #026-E22-212 be approved as shown as Exhibit O.

Furthermore, purchase shall be made with available ACCESS funds to support special education community-based instruction program.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – PARENT/VOLUNTEER LIST

Motioned by Mrs. Ohr and seconded by Mrs. Madura that the request to add the following individuals to the approved parent/volunteer list for the 2023/2024 school year be approved, pending receipt of satisfactory clearances.

Christina Barker
Christopher Barker
LeAnna Metzger
Breanna Redmond
Angel Sharratt

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE REQUEST

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the request for a Family and Medical Leave of absence made by employee #1107 beginning April 23, 2024 through May 13, 2024 utilizing fourteen (14) days unpaid, be approved in accordance with school board policy.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mrs. Ohr that the following full-time professional employments be approved, pending receipt of all necessary employment documents, effective August 16, 2024 for the 2024/2025 school year.

Allyson Barr, Durham, NC	GES Teacher 2024/2025 Bachelors Step 11
Matthew Crawford, Greenville, PA	GHS Social Studies Teacher 2024/2025 Bachelors Step 15
Lindsey Finlan, Sharpsville, PA	GES Teacher 2024/2025 Masters Step 15
Noah Fisher, Greenville, PA	GHS Special Education Teacher 2024/2025 Bachelors Step 15
Jay Ghirardi, Hermitage, PA	GHS General Science Teacher 2024/2025 Bachelors Step 11
Elizabeth Gruber, Marshall, VA	GES Teacher 2024/2025 Masters Step TBD not less than \$65,000
Marleen Meyer, Allison Park, PA	GHS Math Teacher 2024/2025 Bachelors Step TBD not less than \$60,000
Grace Mild, Hermitage, PA	GHS Special Education Teacher 2024/2025 Bachelors Step 15
Tyler Miller, Kinsman, OH	GHS Science/Chemistry Teacher 2024/2025 Bachelors Step 4
Robert Stone, Greenville, PA	GHS Social Studies Teacher 2024/2025 Masters Step 15

Furthermore, salary and fringe benefits to be in accordance with the Greenville Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-abstain. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – SUBSTITUTE LIST

Motioned by Mrs. Leskovac and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the following addition to the 2023/2024 substitute listing, to be used on an as needed basis, be approved as follows:

Rachael Chambers, Greenville, PA	Professional - Nurse
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Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – RESIGNATION

Motioned by Mr. Powers and seconded by Mrs. Ohr that the following resignation be accepted and approved:

Jeffrey Keeling, High School Principal Effective June 30, 2024

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL - ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYMENT

Motioned by Mrs. Madura and seconded by Mrs. Leskovac that Jeffrey Keeling be approved as the Assistant to the Superintendent effective July 1, 2024 in accordance with the proposed employment agreement as shown as Exhibit P.

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-NO; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-aye. Motion Approved.

APPROVAL – RESIGNATION

Motioned by Mrs. Madura and seconded by Mr. Silvestri that the following resignation be accepted and approved:

Heather Hawkins, Elementary Principal Effective July 17, 2024

Voice Vote: Mr. Chace-aye; Mrs. Leskovac-aye, Mrs. Lewis-aye, Mr. Lewis-aye, Mrs. Madura-aye, Mrs. Ohr-aye, Mr. Powers-aye, Mr. Rossi-aye, Mr. Silvestri-abstain. Motion Approved.

HEARING OF VISITORS – OTHER INFORMATION

None.

SUPERINTENDENT’S UPDATE

Mr. Tokar discussed upcoming activities related to the conclusion of the 2023/2024 school year and announced a special meeting may be needed to consider bids related to the paving of the high school field house parking lot.

ADJOURNMENT

Motioned by Mr. Silvestri and seconded by Mr. Powers that the meeting be adjourned at 7:07 p.m. to executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues.

Voice Vote: 9-0 Motion Approved.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.



Brandon Mirizio
Board Secretary