

GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF Tuesday, November 21, 2017

A Special meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at the Great Meadows Middle School Gymnasium, Independence Township. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Ed O'Melia, President. A statement was read that adequate notice of the meeting had been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. This was also a joint meeting with the Hackettstown Board of Education for the sole purpose of the presentation of a feasibility study looking into the possibility of a reciprocal expansion of the send receive relationship with the Hackettstown School District as it relates to 7th and 8th grade students currently attending Hackettstown Middle School.

Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Jamie Cicerelle, Susan Cullen, Dawn Frost, Joe Mailloux, Lori Prymak, Dave Schmitz, William Vonder Haar, Agatha Wilke and Ed O'Melia.

Absent: None.

David C. Mango, Superintendent, Timothy Havlusch School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Debbi Grigoletti Director of Curriculum, Israel Marmolejos Principal of GMMS, and Kathy Gesurmaria Shared Director of Special Services were also present.

There was also approximately 275 member of the public in attendance.

Introductory Statement(s)

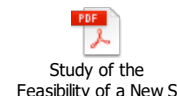
A statement was read by Ed O'Melia which thanked all in attendance for this meeting and encapsulated the protocol and process for tonight's meeting. A similar message was also then delivered by the Hackettstown BOE President Mr. Gus Bordi

Introductions

The Superintendent David Mango introduced the dignitaries and officials in attendance at this special joint meeting of the two boards of education. He then introduced David Hespe, Former Commissioner of Education for the State of New Jersey who would be presenting an overview of the findings in his feasibility study for the first time this evening. It was also announced at this time that the final report would be available to all members of the public by being posted on line on Wednesday November 22, 2017

Presentation

Mr. Hespe proceeded to provide the district with an overview of his report to all in attendance.



Public Comment

At the conclusion of the presentation by Mr. Hespe the forum was open to public questions/comment in accordance with Board Policy #0167. At the conclusion of all public comment and questions public comment was closed (9:42PM) so as to allow individual members of the respective boards of education to ask specific questions or to make specific comments directly to the presenter.

Close of Public Comment

Board Member Comment

Individual Board Members from each body asked specific questions of Mr. Hespe or made specific comments relating to the presentations and the study.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Dawn Frost, to adjourn at 10:03PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Havlusch
Board Secretary