

**GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES OF MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Monday, August 20, 2012, at the Great Meadows Middle School, Independence Township. The meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM by Joe Mailloux, Vice-President. A statement was read that adequate notice of the meeting had been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Flag Salute.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Jennifer Cassini, Jamie Cicerelle, Joe Mailloux, Jason Schaffer, Glenn Sullivan, and Mike Trotter.

Absent: Ed O'Melia, Fred Miller and William Vonder Haar.

Timothy Frederiks, Superintendent, and Julie Mumaw, Business Administrator, were in attendance.

There were 5 members of the public in attendance.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Glenn Sullivan, to approve the minutes from July 16, 2012.

Motion carried in a voice vote with Cicerelle abstaining.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Mike Trotter, to approve the executive session minutes from July 16, 2012.

Motion carried in a voice vote with Cicerelle abstaining.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Mike Trotter, to accept the Financial Report of the Secretary and Treasurer for the months ending July 31, 2012, as per copies attached, and to certify that as of July 31, 2012, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of my knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of NJAC 6:20-2.12(e) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Mike Trotter, to approve the bills from July 12, 2012 to August 20, 2012 in the amount of \$1,085,929.66.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Mike Trotter, to approve

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the cafeteria bills from July 11, 2012 to August 20, 2012 in the amount of \$9,620.73.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Timothy Frederiks, Superintendent's Update.

Public Comment:

Susan Cullen asked about the new .6x GATE position, policies 0167, 2361 and 6740, the teachers' contract, and the plan to replace the shared services agreement.

Geoff Cullen asked what the difference is between a policy and regulation.

The Superintendent answered all questions.

**12.1** Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Jason Schaffer, to approve the following **Personnel/Curriculum** items 12.1.1 to 12.1.19.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Glenn Sullivan, to table item 12.1.2.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote to approve items 12.1.1, 12.1.3 through 12.1.19 and table item 12.1.2.

**12.1.1** Approve the employment (pending certification) of Anna Hussey, maternity leave replacement for Liberty School music teacher Jamie Long effective September 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 at an annual salary as per successor GMRBOE/GMREA contract to be negotiated.

**12.1.2** Tabled

**12.1.3** Approve the employment of Robin Morris-Marano as a Special Education teacher at Liberty School effective September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 at Step 3MA at an annual salary as per successor GMRBOE/GMREA contract to be negotiated.

**12.1.4** Approve the employment of Betsy Hart, Wellness teacher at Central School, to perform the distribution of supplies effective August 1, 2012 at the rate of \$9.00

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per hour not to exceed 20 hours.

- 12.1.5** Approve the creation of the position for a .6x GATE teacher at the Central and Liberty Schools.
- 12.1.6** Approve Lauren Ackerman and Megan King as advisors to the club *Girls on the Run* (grades 3-5) for the Fall 2012 season at the hourly rate as per successor GMRBOE/GMREA contract to be negotiated.
- 12.1.7** Approve Kristine Doty and Jim Bechtel as the advisors to the club *Girls on Track* (grades 6-8) for the Fall 2012 season at the hourly rate as per successor GMRBOE/GMREA contract to be negotiated.
- 12.1.8** Approve, with regret, the resignation of Sarah Moreno, instructional aide at Central School, effective immediately.
- 12.1.9** Approve the step on the guide for Kimberly Ann Blanchard, 7<sup>th</sup> grade Special Education teacher at Great Meadows Middle School, from Step 5 MA+15 to Step 5 MA+30 effective September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 at an annual salary as per successor GMRBOE/GMREA contract to be negotiated.
- 12.1.10** Approve the employment of H. Jared Matthijssen as an instructional/personal aide for an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student at Great Meadows Middle School effective September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 at an annual salary of \$14,707.00.
- 12.1.11** Approve the Great Meadows Regional School District Substitute List for the 2012-2013 school year.
- 12.1.12** Approve Karen Ivin as the Liberty School Nurse effective approximately October 19, 2012 through June 30, 2013 at Step 16BA at an annual salary as per successor GMRBOE/GMREA contract to be negotiated.
- 12.1.13** Approve stipends for the following personnel:

Steven O'Hara - 7<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies teacher  
3/6/12, 3/8/12, 3/14/12, 3/20/12, 3/21/12, 4/3/12 and  
4/4/12 = 16 hours at \$38.00 per hour = \$608.00  
Social Studies Curriculum Writing

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Donna Colaco - Speech Language Specialist  
3/1/12, 3/2/12 and 3/7/12 = 13 hours at \$44.66 per hour  
= \$580.58 - Speech and Language Evaluation of student

Melissa Benbrook - 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher  
7/12/12 - 2.25 hours x \$38.00 per hour = \$85.50  
IEP meeting

Susan Buechle - Special Education teacher at Liberty  
7/5/12 and 7/25/12 - 2.5 hours x \$38.00 per hour =  
\$95.00 - IEP meetings

Joanne Coppola - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher  
7/25/12 - 1.5 hours x \$38.00 per hour = \$57.00  
IEP meetings

Eileen Romagnoli - Kindergarten teacher  
7/5/12 - 2 hours x \$38.00 per hour = \$76.00  
IEP meetings

Colleen Schubert - 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher  
7/5/12 - 1 hour x \$38.00 per hour = \$38.00  
IEP meetings

Julie Skoldberg - Speech/Language Therapist  
7/12/12 - 5 hours x \$55.32 per hour = \$276.60  
IEP meetings

Stephanie Conway - School Psychologist  
6/12/12 - 3 hours (after school) x \$53.87 per hour =  
\$161.61 - IQ testing

Stephanie Conway - School Psychologist  
4 additional days of summer work at \$390.55 per diem =  
\$1,562.20

Judy Arnold - 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher  
8/6/12 - 1 hour x \$38.00 per hour = \$38.00  
IEP meeting

Kerri Muller - Special Education teacher - LS  
8/6/12, 8/7/12 - 2.5 hours x \$38.00 per hour = \$38.00  
IEP meetings

Phyllis Pezzato - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher  
8/7/12 - 1 hour x \$38.00 per hour = \$38.00  
IEP meeting

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Laurie Washburn - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher  
8/15/12 - 1 hour x \$38.00 per hour = \$38.00  
IEP meeting

**12.1.14** Accept, with regret, the resignation of Amanda Sypniewski, Pre-school Disabilities aide at Allamuchy Township School District effective immediately.

**12.1.15** Terminate the shared services agreement for Chief School Administrator between Great Meadows Regional School District and Allamuchy Township School District effective September 30, 2012.

**12.1.16** Approve the Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement between Great Meadows Regional School District and the New Jersey State Police and the Independence Township Police for the 2012-2013 school year.

**12.1.17** Approve the employment of Kathryn Schumm as a personal care/instructional aide for a 2nd grade student effective September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 at an annual salary of \$14,707.00.

**12.1.18** Approve Tara Dolan, currently an ABA instructional aide for a 1<sup>st</sup> grade student, to become a 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher for a maternity leave at BS Step 1 effective October 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 at an annual salary prorated. Annual salary as per successor GMRBOE/GMREA contract to be negotiated.

**12.1.19** Approve the negotiated and ratified contract agreement between Great Meadows Regional Board of Education and Great Meadows Regional Education Association for the 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 school years.

**12.2** Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Mike Trotter, to approve the following **Policy** item 12.2.1.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

**12.2.1** Approve the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the following bylaws, policies, and regulations:

ByLaw #0151 - Organization Meeting

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ByLaw #0153 - Annual Appointments  
ByLaw #0167 - Public Participation in Board Meetings  
Policy #2361 - Acceptable Use of Computer  
Network/Computers and Resources  
Regulation #2361 - Acceptable Use of  
Computer Network/Computers and Resources  
Policy #2363 - Pupil Use of Privately-Owned Technology  
Policy #2431.4 - Prevention and Treatment of Sports-  
Related Concussions and Head Injuries  
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Policy #2622 - Pupil Assessments  
Policy #3282 - Use of Social Networking Sites  
Policy #4282 - Use of Social Networking Sites  
Policy #5511 - Dress and Grooming  
Policy #6470 - Payment of Claims  
Regulation #6470 - Payment of Claims

- 12.3** Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Mike Trotter, to approve the following **Finance** items 12.3.1 to 12.3.5.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

- 12.3.1** Approve the following personnel to attend workshops and/or conferences for the dates and costs listed below:

\*\$ - Denotes the need for a Substitute Teacher at \$80.00 per Diem

<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>WORKSHOP</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>DATES</u>
*\$ Cheryl Wilson	AAP/NJ Health Convention	\$200.00	10/17/12
*\$ Martha Teixeira	Creating Healthy & Safe Comm.	\$ 00.00	09/12/12
(Municipal Alliance-No Cost to BOE)			

- 12.3.2** Approve a contract between Great Meadows Regional School District and Sunny Days Daycare for the period September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 for the use of one classroom in the Great Meadows Middle School for a rent of \$500.00 per month for a total rental cost of \$5,000.00 for the 2012-2013 school year.

- 12.3.3** Approve a Special Education Transition Contract between Great Meadows Regional School District and Employment Pathways for one high school student for the period September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 for 3 hours per day/3 days per week for 35 weeks at a cost of \$17,517.50.

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**12.3.4** Approve the following budget transfers:

From: 11-000-230-100-000-000 Adm Salaries  
To: 11-000-230-590-000-001 Purch Serv Interlocal  
\$100,500.00 Interlocal shared superintendent.

From: 11-000-221-104-000-000 curriculum Super/Writing  
To: 11-000-240-103-000-000 Principals Salary  
\$25,000.00 Curriculum Stipend not part of salary and pensionable

From: 11-000-291-270-111-000 Medical  
To: 11-000-291-260-000-000 Workers Comp  
\$12,016.00 increased WC premium for 2012-2013

**12.3.5** Approve the special education contract between Great Meadows Regional School District and Lakeland Andover School for one high school student for the 2012-2013 school year at a cost of \$290.00 per diem = \$52,200.00.

Public Comment:

Geoff Cullen asked the results of the forensic audit. Dr. Fredericks replied that it will be public by the September meeting. Mr. Cullen also asked what is the percent of student population in the GATE program and what are the qualifications.

Susan Cullen said the public never hears anything about the at-risk students and wants to stress to help these students.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Jason Schaffer, whereas, the Board must consider matters involving personnel, the deliberation of such matters may be held in private under the Open Public Meeting Act NJSA 10:4-6, the Board will adjourn to Executive Session at 8:45 PM to discuss the above mentioned matter, to the exclusion of all others. If any action results, it will be taken following the re-entry into regular session.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Tim Frederiks left meeting at 8:45 PM.

Tim Frederiks returned to meeting at 8:55 PM.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Mike Trotter, to re-enter

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regular session at 9:50 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Jamie Cicerelle, to  
adjourn at 9:50 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Mumaw  
Board Secretary