

GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF TUESDAY, April 26, 2016

The regular meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at the Great Meadows Middle School, Independence Township. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 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.

Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Jamie Ciccerelle, Susan Cullen, Dawn Frost, David Schmitz, and Ed O'Melia.

Absent: Joe Mailloux, (arrived 7:04), Lori Prymak, William Vonder Haar, Agatha Wilke, (arrived 7:07).

David C. Mango, Superintendent, Timothy Havlusch School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and Nadia Inskeep Director of Curriculum were also present.

There was also 3 member of the public in attendance.

Minutes

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Susan Cullen to approve the minutes from March 14 & March 22, 2016.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Financial Reports

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to accept the Financial Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month ending February 29, 2015.

Motion carried in unanimous voice vote.

Bills List

Motion by Dave Schmitz, seconded by Joe Mailloux to approve General Fund Bills List from March 23, 2016, to April 22, 2016 in the amount of \$2,316,535.26 (Check #'s 32941 - 33052)

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

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Bills List (Cafeteria)

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Dave Schmitz to approve Cafeteria Fund Bills List from April 1, 2016, to April 22, 2106, totaling \$16,714.56 (Check #'s 22496)

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Communications - None at this time.

Committee Reports

Completed Minutes were submitted for distribution and review for all committees that have met since the last Board Meeting.

Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent provided the Board and public with an update on various topics:

- The success of the "Senior Prom" and continued involvement of the district.
- The upcoming Tri-District Student Council Meeting.
- The upcoming presentation to the GM portion of the Shared Services Committee by Mr. Bob Redmond of the Hackettstown School District.
- County-wide reunification meeting at HHS.
- Principal Jen Macones was introduced to present Mr. Thomas Ackerman the Outstanding Science Award.

This concluded the Superintendent's report.

Public Comment - Agenda Items Only

No public comments at this time.

Close of Public Comment

SECTION A

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia second by Joe Mailloux, to approve the following **OPERATION** items A-1 through A-5.

A-1 Motion to Approve Special Ed Contract. (Bonnie Brae 2015-16)

Motion to approve a Special Education Contract between GMRSD and Bonnie Brae School for one (1) students to attend the ten month program for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year commencing March 24, 2016, at a

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rate of \$330.00/day for 56 days through June 30, 2016.
Total costs to be \$18,480.00

A-2 Motion to Approve Tuition Contract - Warren Co. Tech(2015-16)

Motion to approve a Tuition Contract between GMRSD and WCTS for the 2015-2016 school year commencing September 1, 2015 through June 30th 2016, at an estimated cost of \$3,600 multiplied by an estimated average daily enrollment of 20 pupils.

A-3 Motion to Approve Participation of Joint Transportation Agreement (2016-17)

Approve the participation in the Sussex County Regional Cooperative for Transportation Services for the 2016-17 School Year.

A-4 Motion to Approve Disposal of e-Waste

Approve the disposal of electronic e-waste items in the district that are either obsolete or unrepairable. The Items are to be disposed of as part of the Hazardous Waste Disposal Day sponsored by Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County.

A-5 Motion to Approve ESIP Payment Application #9:

Motion to approve ESIP Payment application #9 dated 2/25/15 to Honeywell in the amount of \$28,576.14 (**Note** This leaves a zero balance on the original project.)

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

SECTION B

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Dave Schmitz, to approve the following **HUMAN RESOURCES** items B-1 through B-10.

There was a question B-7 and the need to complete these appointments prior to May 15th by code.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

B-1 MOTION to approve parent volunteer for club:

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Motion to approve **Cheryl O'Melia**, Liberty School parent, to be the director and volunteer of the after-school club, **Let Me Run**.

B-2 MOTION to accept retirement of GMMS Principal Secretary:

Motion to accept, with regret, the retirement of **Carole Durna**, GMMS Principal's Secretary, effective July 1, 2016.

B-3 MOTION to approve a Maternity Leave.

Motion to approve a MAT Leave to **Deanna Wolfe**, gr. K-8 ESL/Spanish teacher, effective August 31, 2016, with an anticipated return date of September 1, 2017.

B-4 MOTION to approve Student Practicums:

Motion to approve **Kaitlyn Chudley**, Centenary College student, for purpose of completion of her practicum with Kindergarten teacher, **Brienne Stevenson**, effective August 31, 2016, through December 19, 2016.

And

Motion to approve **James Bierbaum**, Centenary College student, for the purpose of completion of his practicum with 7th gr. Special Education/Resource teacher, **Kimberly Blanchard**, effective August 31, 2016 through December 19, 2016.

B-5 MOTION to approve the following workshops for professional staff:

Name		Cost	Date(s)	Grant Funded	School	
Nadia Inskeep	Designing and implementing Mentoring programs EIRC Mullica Hill	*\$149.00	6/2/2016	TII	Central Office	No sub
Laurie Weingarten	Strategies for learners with ASD and SCD Parsippany	\$219.99	6/3/2016	TII	Central School	Full day sub
Kara Feulner	IED Computational fluency, best practices to accelerate math fluency	\$239.00	5/26/2020	TII	Liberty	Full day sub

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	* denotes mileage reimbursement requested					
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B-6 MOTION to approve substitute:

Motion to approve *Gail Duarte* as a substitute for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.

B-7 MOTION to approve certificated staff and 12-month support staff for employment during the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion to approve *certificated staff and 12-month support staff* for employment during the 2016-2017 school year. Personnel information sent under separate cover.

B-8 MOTION to approve merit pay criteria:

Whereas the board submitted merit pay criteria for the 2015-2016 school year for David C. Mango to the Warren County Executive Superintendent for review on August 26, 2015; and,

Whereas the Warren County Executive Superintendent approved the merit pay criteria for David Mango on August 27, 2015 ; and,

Now therefore be it resolved, that the Board hereby certifies that the following one quantitative merit criteria, shared with the Hackettstown School District, and the one qualitative merit criteria and one quantitative merit criteria for the GMRSD that were submitted and approved by the Warren County Executive Superintendent have been completed by David C. Mango. The merit pay achievement percentage and compensation awarded by the Board are approved as follows:

Exhibit A

By the conclusion of the 2015-2016 school year, the Great Meadows Regional School District and Hackettstown School District will increase shared services by a total of two full-time positions. 3.3% merit pay achievement (\$2,788.87)

Exhibit B

By the conclusion of the 2015-2016 school year and in conjunction with the Great Meadows Regional Strategic Planning Goal II, the Superintendent's office will

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receive a rating of "excellent" on a plan to reorganize the technology to accommodate improvement to instruction.
2.5% merit pay achievement (\$4,187.50)

Exhibit C

Implement a P.S.D. program at Central School for the 2016-2017 school year. \$3.3% merit pay achievement (\$5,577.75)

Be It Further Resolved, the Board shall submit this Resolution to the Warren County Executive Superintendent for review and approval prior to issuing payment in the amount of \$12,554.12 to David C. Mango, exhibits A, B & C.

B-9 MOTION to approve certificated staff for Homebound Instruction:

Motion to approve, *Gwen Fisher and Linda Wilkins*, as Homebound Instructors for an 8th gr. Student, effective April 13, 2016, through TBD at an hourly rate of \$38.00 each, with a maximum of 10 hours of instruction per week.

B-10 MOTION to approve an allergist:

Motion to approve Dr. John Oppenheimer, an allergist specialist, to conduct District evaluations, as needed.

SECTION C

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to approve the following **EDUCATION** items C-1 through C-3.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

C-1 MOTION to approve revision of 2015-2016 GMRSD Calendar:

Motion to approve Revised 2015-2016 School Calendar - **BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education approve the revised 2015-2016 school calendar to include May 23rd, May 27th and May 31st as "closed" school days giving back inclement weather days, attached by reference.

C-2 MOTION to approve revision of 2016-2017 GMRSD Calendar:

Motion to approve Revised 2016-2017 School Calendar, as attached by reference.

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C-3 MOTION to approve 2016-2018 District Goals:

Motion to approve the 2016-2018 District Goals, as attached by reference.

SECTION D

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to approve the following **GOVERNANCE** items D-1 and D-2.

There was some discussion regarding certain aspects of policies being put forth for the first reading. It was clarified that changes can be made between first and second reading as the board sees fit without having to go back to a first reading again to approve such changes. Suggested changes would be addressed at subsequent committee level meetings.

Motion carried in a roll call vote with Susan Cullen voting nay to item D-2.

**D-1 MOTION to approve the 2nd reading of Policy #7441.1
Video Surveillance:**

Motion to approve the *2nd reading and adoption* of Policy #7441.1 Video Surveillance.

D-2 MOTION to approve 1st reading of the following policies and regulations:

Motion to approve *1st reading* of the following policies and regulations:

Policy #0167 - Public Participation in Board Meetings

Policy #0168 - Recording Board Meetings

Policy #2422 - Health and Physical Education

Policy #2431 - Athletic Competition (M)

Regulation #2431.2 - Medical Examination Prior to Participation on a School-Sponsored Interscholastic or Intramural Team or Squad

Policy #5111 - Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Pupils (M)

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Policy #5310 - Health Services (M)

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Policy #5330.01 - Administration of Medical Marijuana

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Regulation #5330.01 - Administration of Medical
Marijuana
Policy #8462 - Reporting Potentially Missing or Abused
Children(M)
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Abused Children(M)
Policy #8550 - Outstanding Food Service Charges

Hackettstown Report

There was praise for the current participation of the robotics team at the National Robotics Competition currently being held in St. Louis, Mo. There was also acknowledgement of the basketball coach at HHS and recognition of the Centenary Scholarship Award winners.

Independence Township Report

An update was given on the budget presentation made to the Mayor and Council by the Superintendent and the Business Administrator.

Liberty Township Report

Nothing to report at this time.

Public Comment/New Business

None at this time.

Close of Public Comment/New Business

Unfinished Business

Susan Cullen reported her inability to attend the delegate assembly on May 14th and was seeking a replacement by any board member that was interested.

Motion for Executive Session

Motion was made by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Agatha Wilke to enter Executive Session.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion Re-Open Public Session

Motion was made by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Dave Schmitz to re-open the Public Session.

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Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

MOTION to acknowledge receipt of Superintendent's H.I.B. Report:

Motion was made by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Jamie Cicerelle to acknowledge receipt of the Superintendent's H.I.B. Report for GMR during the month of **March** 2016.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to adjourn at 9:04 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Havlusch
Board Secretary