

**GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2012**

The regular meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Tuesday, February 28, 2012, at the Central Elementary School, Independence Township. The meeting was called to order at 6:33 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.

New Board Member Mike Trotter was sworn in as replacement for Joe Mahal.

Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Jennifer Cassini (arrived 7:30 PM), Jamie Cicerelle, Joe Mailloux, Ed O'Melia, Jason Schaffer, Glenn Sullivan (arrived 6:40 PM), Mike Trotter, and William Vonder Haar.

Absent: None.

Catherine Mozak, Interim Superintendent, and Julie Mumaw, Business Administrator, were in attendance.

There were 7 members of the public in attendance.

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Joe Mailloux, whereas, the Board must consider matters involving interviewing board member candidates, 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 6:38 PM to discuss the above mentioned matter, to the exclusion of all others. Action will be taken.

Motion carried in a roll call vote with Vonder Haar voting no.

Glenn Sullivan arrived 6:40 PM.

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Glenn Sullivan, to re-enter regular session at 7:02 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by William Vonder Haar, whereas, the Board must consider matters involving teachers negotiations, 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 7:02 PM to discuss the above mentioned matter, to the exclusion of all others. No action will be taken.

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Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Ed O'Melia recused himself 7:08 PM.

Motion by William Vonder Haar, seconded by Jason Schaffer, to re-enter regular session at 7:10 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Ed O'Melia returned to regular session.

Regular meeting began 7:30 PM.

Motion to appoint Fred Miller as New Board Member replacing Kim Schaffer was by a show of hands. 6 yes, 1 no, 1 abstain. Fred Miller appointed New Board Member.

An award was presented by Principal Marmolejos to a Great Meadows Middle School 8th grade student for her honorable mention in the Martin Luther King Essay Contest.

Awards were presented by William Nutt, GATE teacher, to the 1st place winner, 7th grade Great Meadows Middle School student, and 2nd place winner, 5th grade Central Elementary School student, in the Great Meadows Regional School District Spelling Bee held January 12, 2012.

A presentation was held by Ernest Batha, Central School Principal, regarding Full Day Kindergarten.

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to approve the minutes from January 17, 2012.

Motion carried in a voice vote with Sullivan abstaining.

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to approve the executive session minutes from January 17, 2012.

Motion carried in a voice vote with Sullivan abstaining.

Jenn Cassini arrived 7:40 PM.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Jamie Cicerelle, to accept the Financial Report of the Secretary and Treasurer for the months ending January 31, 2011, as per copies attached, and to certify that as of January 31, 2011, 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

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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 Joe Mailloux, to table the bills from January 13, 2012 to February 28, 2012 in the amount of \$1,928,843.08 except for those needed to be paid immediately.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to table the cafeteria bills from January 13, 2012 to February 28, 2012 in the amount of \$27,085.11 except for those needed to be paid immediately.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Catherine Mozak, Interim Superintendent's Update.

Public Comment:

Susan Cullen asked about item 18.1.6 and 18.1.14. She was told a resolution for item 18.1.6 was required every year, and item 18.1.14 is an end of the year field trip.

18.1 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Jason Schaffer, to approve the following **Personnel** items 18.1.1 to 18.1.19.

Motion carried in a roll call vote with Trotter abstaining.

18.1.1 Approve Judith Wyckoff as homebound instructor for a 7th grade student effective February 8, 2012 through March 23, 2012 at \$38.00 per hour, 10 hours per week maximum, and Katherine Chrusz as homebound instructor for a 7th grade student effective January 27, 2012 through February 12, 2012 at \$38.00 per hour, 10 hours per week, maximum of 30 hours.

18.1.2 Approve Katherine Chrusz \$38.00 per hour x 4 hours for home instruction on January 11, 2012 and January 12, 2012 for a total of \$152.00.

18.1.3 Approve Jill Boyle as the Supervisor of Special Education/Social Worker at an annual salary of \$90,000.00 effective July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

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- 18.1.4 Approve Donna Colaco as speech/language specialist effective March 14, 2012 through June 30, 2012 at Step 15 MA at an annual salary of \$64,760.00 pro-rated to \$22,989.80.
- 18.1.5 Acknowledge the receipt of the Superintendent's HIB incidents for the month of February.
- 18.1.6 Approve the resolution for health and prescription coverage for calendar year 2012 by New Jersey State Health Benefits/School Employees' Health Benefits Program, which was offered during open enrollment in October, 2011.
- 18.1.7 Approve the K-8 Music, K-8 Physical Education/Health, and K-8 World Language curricula for 2012-2013.
- 18.1.8 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>
Israel Marmolejos	Teacher Eval Systems	\$114.00	2/06/2012
\$Lisa Baatz	Model Curric. Writing Kick Of	\$00.00	2/07 & 3/05/12
	Additional dates (5) meetings every other week		
\$Martha Teixeira	Foreign Language Wksp	\$244.00	3/19/2012
\$Donna Roth	Computer Tech Day @ Lopatcong	\$89.00	3/16/2012
\$Marcia Goralczyk	Computer Tech Day @ Lopatcong	\$89.00	3/16/2012
Stephanie Conway	IEP Annual Goals & Stud. Prog.	\$11.00	3/21/2012
William Nutt	21 st Annual NJ Assoc.-GATE	\$18.60	3/09/2012

- 18.1.9 Approve Walter Tutka and Cailla Mullen, as substitute teachers for Great Meadows Regional School District during the 2011-2012 school year.
- 18.1.10 Approve Timothy Knuth, an East Stroudsburg University student, to complete his student teaching at Liberty Elementary School with wellness teacher, Lisa Baatz, effective March 19 through May 11, 2012.
- 18.1.11 Approve Samantha Barlett, an East Stroudsburg University student, to complete her student teaching at Great Meadows Middle School with wellness teacher, Jim Bechtel, effective March 19, 2012 through May 11, 2012.

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18.1.12 Approve movement on the guide to Marianne Woods, 2nd grade teacher, effective February 1, 2012 to June 30, 2012 from Step 5 BS+15 to Step 5 BS+30 at an annual salary of \$53,130.00 pro-rated to \$26,565.00.

18.1.13 Approve a 4th grade field trip to the New Jersey State House and Olde Barracks in Trenton, NJ on May 4, 2012.

18.1.14 Approve a 5th grade "End of Year Send Off" trip to the Belvidere Pool in Belvidere, NJ, date to follow.

18.1.15 Approve stipends for the following personnel:

Amanda Sypniewski, PSD aide @ Allamuchy
Presidents' Weekend, Friday 2/17/12
Allamuchy School District open
3.5 hours x \$12.50 per hour = \$43.75

Jeannie Tagliareni, PSD aide @ Allamuchy
Presidents' Weekend, Friday 2/17/12
Allamuchy School District open
6.5 hours x \$12.50 per hour = \$81.25

Tara Warnock, PSD aide @ Allamuchy
Presidents' Weekend, Friday 2/17/12
Allamuchy School District open
6.5 hours x \$12.50 per hour = \$81.25

18.1.16 Approve Tara Dolan, ABA aide to a Kindergarten student, as a Home-Based ABA Therapist for parent training of a Kindergarten student to commence the week of March 5, 2012 through June 30, 2012 for a total of 8 hours x \$25 per hour = \$200.00.

18.1.17 Approve an after-school Middle School dance club, funded by the Municipal Alliance, and taught by Jessica Silpoch, 8th grade special education teacher, to begin on March 5, 2012 through May 14, 2012.

18.1.18 Approve Stephanie Conway, School Psychologist, the position of CST Co-Facilitator Professional effective March 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012 with an annual stipend of \$2,500.00 prorated to \$1,107.27.

18.1.19 Approve a trip to Mansfield Township Elementary

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School for the 4th grade GATE students for the purpose of a County-Wide Roller Coaster Physics Competition on March 2, 2012.

- 18.2** Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Jenn Cassini, to approve the following **Finance** items 18.2.1 to 18.2.9.

Motion carried in a roll call vote with Trotter abstaining and Vonder Haar voting no to item 18.2.1 and the salary portion of item 18.2.9.

- 18.2.1** Approve the fiscal year 2012-2013 proposed school district budget for submission to the County Office on the fifth of March, 2012.

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
General Fund	\$18,442,871	\$12,362,011
Special Revenue Fund	311,026	
Debt Service Fund	724,950	539,839
	<u>\$19,478,847</u>	<u>\$12,901,850</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following capital outlay projects as outlined in the 2012-2013 proposed budget be undertaken for the health and safety of the students.

Middle School - New Roof - \$253,200.00
 Liberty School - Parking Lot Paving - \$120,100.00
 Total estimated cost of all capital outlay projects is \$373,300.00.

- 18.2.2** Approve the following Resolution:

Waiver of Requirements
 Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program

Whereas, NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district's participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2012-2013 school year, and

Whereas, the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that there would be fewer than 30 Medicaid eligible classified students.

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Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education hereby authorizes the chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Warren an appropriate waiver of the requirements of NJAC 6A23A-5.3 for the 2012-2013 school year.

Date:

Adopted:

18.2.3 Approve a Pre-school Disabilities tuition contract between Allamuchy Board of Education and Great Meadows Regional School District for one student for 103 days x \$73.77 per diem = \$7,589.00 for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year.

18.2.4 Approve a 2011-2012 Joint Transportation agreement with Allamuchy for 103 days for one student at a total cost of \$2,943.00 effective January 3, 2012 through June 30, 2012.

18.2.5 Approve aid-in-lieu of transportation payment to the parent/guardian of a Great Meadows Regional School District student attending Reverend George Brown Memorial School effective February 7, 2012 for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year in the amount of \$442.00.

18.2.6 Approve acceptance of the donation of a computer monitor, keyboard and mouse with a value of \$135.00 to Great Meadows Regional School District from Mr. Jack BuSha, Flanders, NJ.

18.2.7 Approve the following budget transfers:

From: 10-000-100-561-000-000 Charter School Tuition
To: 11-204-100-106-000-000 LD Aide salary
\$20,265.00 Salary for two new ABA Aides

From: 18-240-100-101-000-000 Bilingual/ESL Salary
To: 18-204-100-106-000-000 LD Aide Salary
\$6,656.00 Salary for two new ABA Aides

18.2.8 Accept the AFLAC Flexible Spending Account reimbursement services agreement as a requirement before offering to the Great Meadows Regional School District's staff.

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18.2.9 Accept the additional State Aid in the amount of \$190,267.00 for the fiscal year 2011-2012 of which \$71,650.90 will be used for the following. The balance will be used in the 2012-2013 budget.

	Additional State Aid	\$190,267.00
11-190-100-106-000-000	Instructional aides	29,558.49
11-190-100-640-000-001	textbooks	7,810.00
11-190-100-640-000-002	textbooks	5,069.00
11-190-100-640-000-003	textbooks	8,639.00
11-000-221-110	technology	248.34
11-000-222-177	technology	269.10
11-000-252-110	technology	50.75
11-000-240-103	Principals	8,981.00
11-000-218-105	Guidance Secretary	341.25
11-000-230-100	BOE secretary	542.15
11-000-240-105	Clerical	1,268.50
11-000-251-100	Fiscal Office	794.80
11-000-261-100	maintenance	1,384.43
11-000-262-100	custodial	3,580.09
11-000-270-107	Bus Driver	189.00
	FICA PERS	<u>2,925.00</u>
		\$71,650.90
	Balance	\$118,616.10

Motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Jenn Cassini, to remove item 18.2.10 as it is a double to item 18.2.4.
Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

18.3 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Jenn Cassini, to approve the following **Policy** item 18.3.1.

Motion carried in a roll call vote with Trotter abstaining.

18.3.1 Approve the 2nd reading and adoption of the following:

ByLaw #0168 - Recording Board Meetings (as amended)
Policy #5519 - Dating Violence at School
Regulation #5519 - Dating Violence at School
Policy #6424 - Emergency Contracts
Policy #6472 - Tuition Assistance
Policy #8505 - School Nutrition

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Policy #9180 - School Volunteers
Policy #9181 - Volunteer Athletic Coaches and Co-
Curricular Activity Advisors/Assistants

18.4 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Glenn Sullivan, seconded by Jason Schaffer, to approve the following **Buildings/Grounds/Transportation** items 18.4.1 to 18.4.3.

Motion carried in a roll call vote with Trotter abstaining.

18.4.1 Appoint Gianforcaro Architects, Chester, NJ to prepare the necessary documents for the reroofing of the Middle School and the parking lot restoration at Liberty School.

18.4.2 Appoint Gianforcaro Architects, Chester, NJ to submit Project applications to the New Jersey Department of Education for the re-roofing of the Middle School and the parking lot restoration at Liberty School.

18.4.3 Appoint Gianforcaro Architects, Chester, NJ to submit an Amendment to the Long Range Facilities Plan to include the reroofing of the Middle School.

Public Comment/New Business:

All questions from Susan Cullen:

Will the NCLB waiver affect GMRSD? No
Results of Forensic Audit? Pending
Superintendent Search? Shared services with Allamuchy
Can the energy audit be made public?
Full day Kindergarten? Voted on tonight with budget
HIB costs? One additional cost - No for this year
Request and copy of 1st reading?
Tuition adjustment for HHS?

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Glenn Sullivan, to adjourn at 9:20 PM.
Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Mumaw
Board Secretary