

**GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF MONDAY, JULY 18, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Monday, July 18, 2011, at the Great Meadows Middle School, Independence Township. The meeting was called to order at 7:34 PM by Ed O'Melia, Board 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, Christy Doyle, Joe Mailloux, Ed O'Melia, Glenn Sullivan, and William Vonder Haar.

Absent: Joe Mahal, Jason Schaffer and Kimberly Schaffer.

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

There were 3 members of the public in attendance.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Glenn Sullivan, to approve the minutes from May 12, 2011, June 6, 2011, June 13, 2011, and June 29, 2011.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Jenn Cassini, to approve the executive session minutes from June 13, 2011.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to accept the Financial Report of the Secretary and Treasurer for the months ending June 30, 2011, as per copies attached, and to certify that as of June 30, 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 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 Glenn Sullivan, to approve the bills from June 25, 2011 to June 30, 2011 in the amount of \$6,453.86.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

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Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Glenn Sullivan, to approve the bills from July 1, 2011 to July 18, 2011 in the amount of \$493,789.85.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to approve the cafeteria bills from June 28, 2011 to June 18, 2011 in the amount of \$11,706.34.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Catherine Mozak, Superintendent's Update.

Public Comment:

Susan Cullen asked why Liberty School was not put on the Inter-local Agreement for Independence as it was on Liberty's agreement.

15.1 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to approve the following **Personnel/Curriculum** items 15.1.1 to 15.1.12.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

15.1.1 Approve the 2nd reading and adoption of the following bylaw, policies and regulations:

ByLaw #0144 - Board Member Orientation and Training
Policy #2440 - Summer Session
Policy #3125.2 - Employment of Substitute Teachers
Policy #5350 - Pupil Suicide Prevention
Policy #5512 - Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying
Regulation #5512 - Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying Investigation Procedure
Policy #5600 - Pupil Discipline/Code of Conduct
Policy #8461 - Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse
Regulation #8461 - Reporting Violence, Vandalism, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying, Alcohol, and Other Drug Abuse

15.1.2 Approve the 1st reading and adoption of the following regulation:

Regulation #5600 - Pupil Discipline/Code of Conduct (M)

15.1.3 Approve Ed O'Melia as the Great Meadows Regional

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School District's New Jersey School Board Associate delegate for the 2011-2012 school year.

15.1.4 Approve the Professional Development Plan for Great Meadows Regional School District which has been approved by the Warren County Professional Development Board, State of New Jersey, Department of Education.

15.1.5 Approve the advancement on guide for Dean Tshudy, Great Meadows Middle School technology teacher, from Step 20M to Step 20M+30 at an annual salary of \$78,110.00 effective September 1, 2011.

15.1.6 Approve the advancement on guide for Kimbra Miller, Great Meadows Middle School teacher, from Step 15B to Step 15B+15 at an annual salary of \$62,460.00 effective September 1, 2011.

15.1.7 Approve Logan Miller, a volunteer and graduate of York College, York, Pa., to aid Mike Hann, computer tech, effective July 19, 2011 through August 31, 2011.

15.1.8 Accept, with regret, the resignation of Dineen Gruchacz, Principal of Liberty School, effective September 2, 2011 as her last day.

15.1.9 Approve Tara Warnock as a full time Pre-school Disabilities/Kindergarten aide effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at an annual salary of \$10,657.50.

15.1.10 Approve the corrected hourly rate for the following Extended School Year personnel during the summer of 2011:

Jeannie Tagliareni - \$9.05 per hour
Tara Warnock - \$9.05 per hour

15.1.11 Approve the following stipend:

Sandy Vliet, 3rd grade teacher - music accompanist for Winter and Spring Concerts
12/1/10, 12/8/10, 12/15/10, 1/5/11, 4/13/11, 4/27/11,
5/18/11, 5/25/11
Total: 7 hours x \$36.00 per hour = \$252.00

15.1.12 Approve the moving of the following teachers:

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Jessica Silpoch, from 2nd grade teacher at Central School to Special Education teacher at Middle School

Lynnda Herman, from Special Education teacher at Middle School to Special Education teacher at Central School.

- 15.2** Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Jenn Cassini, to approve the following **Finance** items 15.2.1 to 15.2.9.

Motion by Glenn Sullivan, seconded by William Vonder Haar, to amend item 15.2.8 #4 by adding the use of Liberty School gymnasium.

Motion by William Vonder Haar, seconded by Ed O'Melia, to amend item 15.2.8 by adding #5 GMRSD will have use of the pavilion during the school year.

Motion carried in a roll call vote with Vonder Haar voting no to item 15.2.4 and approving amendments to item 15.2.8.

- 15.2.1** 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>APPROX. DATES</u>
Jessica Silpoch	Wilson Foundations	\$195.00	8/4/11
Barb Ciniewicz	Making Sense of Math	\$ 90.00	8/4/11
Barb Wohlgemuth	Learning Comm Institute	\$800.00	8/11-13/11
Amy Fancher	Learning Comm Institute	\$800.00	8/11-13/11
Jamie Long	Learning Comm Institute	\$800.00	8/11-13/11
Linda Wilkins	Learning Comm Institute	\$800.00	8/11-13/11
Megan King	Learning Comm Institute	\$800.00	8/11-13/11
Jeanmarie Tagliareni	ABA Training	\$265.00	8/22,23,24/11
Tara Warnock	ABA Training	\$265.00	8/22,23,24/11

- 15.2.2** Approve a Special Education Contract for one student between Great Meadows Regional School District and Celebrate the Children for the 2011-2012 School Year at a cost of \$59,175.00.

- 15.2.3** Approve a contract between Great Meadows Regional School District and Allison M. Peck, P.T. for Physical Therapy Services for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 for an estimated cost of \$36,000.00.

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15.2.4 Approve a REVISED annual contract between Great Meadows Regional School District and Earthspec for transportation consulting services for 12 months beginning July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at a cost of \$16,182.00 to be paid in monthly installments of \$1,348.50.

15.2.5 Approve a special education contract between Great Meadows Regional School District and PG Chambers School for one student for the Extended School Year program and the regular school year program for the 2011-2012 school year commencing July 11, 2011 at a cost of \$64,713.60.

15.2.6 Approve a special education contract between Great Meadows Regional School District and Warren County Special Services School District for one student in their BD Program for the 2011-2012 school year at a cost of \$35,500.00

15.2.7 Approve the following budget transfers:

From: 11-000-291-270-555-000 Benefits Waiver
To: 11000-216-320-000-000 OT/PT/Blind Comm.
\$2,000.00 PT Services

From: 11-000-291-270-333-000 Prescriptions
To: 11-000-216-320-000-000 OT/PT/Blind Comm.
\$1,748.00 PT Services

15.2.8 Approve the following resolution between Great Meadows Regional School District and the Township of Independence for the 2011-2012 school year:

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
FOR SHARED SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, made this 18th day of July, 2011, between the GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, located in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as "GMRSD"), with Board Offices located at 281 Route 46, PO Box 74, Great Meadows, New Jersey 07838 and the TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE, a body politic and corporate of the County of Warren, State of New Jersey, (hereinafter referred to as "Independence"), with municipal offices located at 286-B Route 46, PO Box 164, Great Meadows, New Jersey 07838; and

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WHEREAS, the GMRSD and Independence have agreed that it will be in both parties best interest to share certain services

WHEREAS, Independence has agreed to provide the following services: salt spreading and assistance with mowing equipment repair; and

WHEREAS, GMRSD has agreed to mow the Township's Green Acres property and allow the Township to use the Districts gymnasium facilities

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED, between the parties that this Inter-local Service Agreement shall be entered into to memorialize the services to be shared by the parties.

1. Independence will provide the service of spreading of salt on the parking lots and driveways of the Independence Central School and the Great Meadows Middle School as needed during the winter months.
2. Independence will help with the maintenance of the mowing equipment owned by GMRSD.
3. GMRSD will provide mowing for the Green Acres Property during the growing season while school is in session.
4. GMRSD will provide for the use of the gymnasiums of the Independence Central School, the Liberty School and the Great Meadows Middle School for recreation activities at no cost - Monday through Friday. Use of the gymnasiums shall be permitted only if the facilities are not being used by the GMRSD.
5. Independence will allow GMRSD the use of the pavilion during the school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the term of this contract shall be for one (1) fiscal year ending June 30, 2012. This Agreement may be extended upon mutual consent of both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each party has executed this agreement pursuant to a resolution adopted by each governing body as indicated by the signatures of the respective municipal and district officials appearing below:

ATTEST:

GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Julie R. Mumaw,

Catherine Mozak,

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BOE Secretary

Interim Superintendent

TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Deborah Hrebenak,
Municipal Clerk

Robert Giordano,
Mayor

15.2.9 Approve the following resolution between Great Meadows Regional School District and the Township of Liberty for the 2011-2012 school year:

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE TOWNSHIP OF LIBERTY FOR
SHARED SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, made this 18th day of July 2011, between the GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, located in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as "GMRSD"), with Board Offices located at 281 Route 46, PO Box 74, Great Meadows, New Jersey 07838 and the TOWNSHIP OF LIBERTY a body politic and corporate of the County of Warren, State of New Jersey, (hereinafter referred to as "Liberty"), with municipal offices located at 349 Mountain Lake Road, Great Meadows, New Jersey 07838; and

WHEREAS, Liberty will provide the service of spreading salt on the parking lots and driveways of the Liberty Township School as needed during the winter months.

WHEREAS, Liberty will maintain (with the exception of mowing) GMRSD's athletic fields while the Township uses the fields for recreation activities.

WHEREAS, GMRSD will provide for the use of the Liberty School gymnasium, the Central School gymnasium and the Middle School Gymnasium for Township recreation activities at no cost - Monday through Friday. Use of the gymnasiums shall be permitted only if the facilities are not being used by GMSRD.

WHEREAS, GMRSD will provide athletic fields (baseball, soccer) for use by the Township Recreation Department. The fields will be mowed by GMRSD.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the term of this contract shall be for one (1) fiscal year ending June 30,

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2012. This Agreement may be extended upon mutual consent of both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each party has executed this agreement pursuant to a resolution adopted by each governing body and as by the Buildings and Facility use per district policy in force as indicated by the signatures of the respective municipal and district officials appearing below:

ATTEST: GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Julie R. Mumaw,
BOE Secretary

Catherine Mozak,
Interim Superintendent

TOWNSHIP OF LIBERTY

Diane Pflugfelder,
Municipal Clerk

John Inscho,
Mayor

Public Comment:

Susan Cullen asked if state aid would be put back to tax relief? She also made a comment regarding free software instead of Microsoft and would also like to see executive session minutes on the Great Meadows Regional website.

Gloria Leggio asked when back to school night information will be sent.

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Christy Doyle, to adjourn at 9:10 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Mumaw
Board Secretary