

The regular meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Tuesday, July 28, 2009, at the Great Meadows Middle School, Independence Township. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Jennifer Cassini, 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, Peggy Faulborn (arrived 7:55 PM), Joe Mahal, Ed O'Melia, Kimberly Schaffer, and William Vonder Haar.

Absent: Joe Mailloux, Matthew Mowatt, and Jason Schaffer.

Dr. Tim Frederiks, Interim Superintendent, and Julie Mumaw, Business Administrator, were in attendance.

There were 10 members of the public in attendance.

Motion by Joe Mahal, seconded by Kim Schaffer, to approve the minutes from May 11, 2009, May 14, 2009, May 19, 2009, May 26, 2009, June 8, 2009, June 22, 2009 (as corrected), and June 30, 2009 (as corrected). Motion carried in a voice vote with Mahal abstaining from May 11, 2009 and May 26, 2009 minutes, Ed O'Melia abstaining from all listed minutes, and Kim Schaffer abstaining from June 22, 2009 minutes.

Motion by Joe Mahal, seconded by Kim Schaffer, to approve the executive session minutes from June 8, 2009 and June 22, 2009. Motion carried in a voice vote with Ed O'Melia abstaining from all listed executive minutes and Kim Schaffer abstaining from June 22, 2009 executive session minutes.

Motion by Joe Mahal, seconded by William Vonder Haar, to accept the Financial Report of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month ending June 30, 2009, as per copies attached and to certify that as of June 30, 2009, 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 William Vonder Haar, seconded by Kim Schaffer, to table the bills for approval until the end of the meeting when the reviewer of the bills, Peggy Faulborn, will be present. Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Tim Frederiks, Superintendent's Update.

Tim Frederiks, gave the Curriculum Update.

Public Comment: None

14.1 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by Ed O'Melia, to approve the following **Personnel and Curriculum** items 14.1.1 to 14.1.13.

Motion by William Vonder Haar, seconded by Peggy Faulborn, whereas, the Board must consider matters involving the discussion of item 14.1.10, 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 8:05 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.

Motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by Ed O'Melia, to re-enter regular session at 8:12 PM.
Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion to approve items 14.1.1 to 14.1.13 carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

14.1.1 Approve stipends to the following personnel:

Susan Buechle - Resource teacher at Central School

6/24/09 - Testing

7 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$238.00

6/25/09 - CST meetings

7.25 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$246.50

6/26/09 - CST meetings

5.5 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$187.00

7/09/09 - CST meetings

4 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$136.00

Deb Exley - 8th grade teacher

Power Point Development - summer 2009

50 hours x \$34/hr. = \$1,700 (NCLB grant)

Mary Redus - 2nd grade teacher @ Liberty School

7/02/09 - IEP meeting

2 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$68.00

7/07/09 - Goal Writing (Math/Lang)

30 minutes - .5hr. x \$34.00 per hour = \$17.00

Casey Ritson - 8th grade teacher

2008-2009 REBEL II - \$2,000.00 (grant)

5/09/09 - NJ ASK test prep

(Saturday class) 3 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$102.00

Eileen Romagnoli - 4th grade teacher at Central School

6/25/09 - CST meetings

3 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$102.00
6/26/09 - CST meetings
5.5 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$187.00
7/09/09 - CST meetings
4 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$136.00

Jeff Rosequist - 7th grade teacher
6/24/09 - IEP meetings
8 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$272.00
6/25/09 - IEP meetings
4.5 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$153.00
7/08/09 - IEP meeting
1 hour x \$34.00 per hour = \$34.00

Suzanne Schmidt - Special Education teacher at
Liberty School
7/02/09 - IEP meeting
2 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$68.00
7/07/09 - Goal Writing (Math/Lang)
30 minutes - .5 hour x \$34.00 per hour = \$17.00

Sandra Vliet - 3rd grade teacher at Central School
2008-2009 Preps and accompaniment for concerts
16.5 hours x \$34.00 per hour = \$561.00

- 14.1.2** Approve Devin Smith as a substitute teacher for K-5 elementary and a K-8 music for the 2009-2010 school year.
- 14.1.3** Approve movement on the guide for Steven O'Hara, 7th grade teacher, from BS+15 to BS+30 effective September 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010, at an annual salary to be determined after negotiations are completed.
- 14.1.4** Accept, with regret, the retirement of Deborah Lockwood effective August 1, 2009.
- 14.1.5** Approve Shannon Crane as a substitute teacher for all grades in Great Meadows Regional School District during the 2009-2010 school year.
- 14.1.6** Approve Julie Skoldberg, speech language specialist, to move from .8x to full time effective October 1, 2009 with an annual salary to be determined upon receipt of salary guide.
- 14.1.7** Approve the hiring of a full time second speech correctionist for the Great Meadows Regional School District for the 2009-2010 school year with an annual salary to be determined upon receipt of salary guide.
- 14.1.8** Approve an inter-local agreement with Allamuchy Township School District for CST Administrative Services effective August 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 at an annual sum of \$25,034.00

which represents approximately 20-25% of the employees adjusted salary and benefits, during the life of this agreement.

14.1.9 Approve a stipend for Israel Marmolejos to complete administrative (principal) services effective July 15, 2009 through August 31, 2009 at a maximum of 100 hours at the hourly rate of \$34.00 = \$3,400.00.

14.1.10 Approve Stephanie Conway, Great Meadows Regional School District psychologist, as the Coordinator of Child Study Team for an annual stipend of \$5,000.00.

14.1.11 Approve movement on the guide for Israel Marmolejos, Spanish teacher at Great Meadows Middle School, from BS+15 to BS+30 effective September 1, 2009 thru June 30, 2010 at an annual salary to be determined after negotiations are completed.

14.1.12 Approve Danielle Hamblin, principal of Central School, to become the acting principal of Great Meadows Middle School effective September 1, 2009. (The anticipated need is from September 1, 2009 through September 15, 2009, or until the final certification documents are received for Israel Marmolejos.)

14.1.13 Approve the partnering with Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Warren County and Central School regarding their School-Based Mentoring Program.

15.1 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by Joe Mahal, to approve the following **Policy** item 15.1.1.

Motion carried in a roll call vote with O'Melia abstaining.

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

Policy #4113/4114 Assignment, Transfer

Policy #4119.23 Employee Substance Abuse

Policy #4131/4131.1 Staff Development:

In-Service Education/Visitations/Conferences

Policy #4211 Recruitment, Selection and Hiring

Policy #4211.1 Non-Discrimination/Affirmative Action

Policy #6153 Field Trips/Excursions

15.2 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by Joe Mahal to approve the following **Finance** items 15.2.1 to 15.2.16.

Motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by Ed O'Melia to cancel item 15.2.1 regarding a special education contract.

Motion carried in a roll call vote canceling item 15.2.1 and

approving items 15.2.2 to 15.2.16 with Vonder Haar voting no to item 15.2.16.

- 15.2.1 Cancelled.
- 15.2.2 Approve a Special Education Contract between Great Meadows Regional School District and Celebrate the Children for one student for a cost of \$58,944.00 for the 2009-2010 School Year.
- 15.2.3 Approve a Special Education Extended School Year Contract between Great Meadows Regional School District and Hunterdon Learning Center for one student for 30 days at \$214.55 per diem for a total cost of \$6,436.50.
- 15.2.4 Approve an Extended School Year Joint Transportation Agreement between Great Meadows Regional School District and Allamuchy Township Board of Education for three students at a cost of \$3,225.00 for the period July 6, 2009 through August 13, 2009.
- 15.2.5 Approve a Joint Transportation Agreement between Great Meadows Regional School District and Allamuchy Township Board of Education for one student at a cost of \$13,734.00 for the 2009-2010 school year.
- 15.2.6 Approve an Extended School Year Program for one student between Great Meadows Regional School District and The ARC of Essex County for 30 days at a cost of \$250.00 per diem for a total cost of \$7,500.00.
- 15.2.7 Approve the Extended School Year Summer Autistic Program for one student between Great Meadows Regional School District and Allamuchy Board of Education at a cost of \$3,026.00, which will run from July 6, 2009 through August 13, 2009.
- 15.2.8 Approve the Extended School Year Summer Pre-school Disability Program for six students between Great Meadows Regional School District and Allamuchy Board of Education at a cost of \$2,521.00 each for 5 students and \$840.34 for one student for a total cost of \$13,445.34, which will run from July 6, 2009 through August 13, 2009.
- 15.2.9 Approve the Extended School Year Summer Program (Camp Achieve) for one student between Great Meadows Regional School District and Chester School District at a cost of \$5,196.00, which will run from July 1, 2009 through August 12, 2009.
- 15.2.10 Approve an Individual Services Contract between Great Meadows Regional School District and Lindamood-Bell Learning Processes for one student for 100 sessions at a cost of \$102.00 per session for a total cost of \$10,200.00, for services from June 29, 2009 through July 31, 2009.

15.2.11 Accept the donation to Great Meadows Regional School District from Rutgers University of a large projector screen valued at approximately \$500.00, which will be installed in the all-purpose room at Liberty School.

15.2.12 Void the following checks from the General Fund account after the 2008-2009 Audit:

<u>FY</u>	<u>CHECK #</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2005-2006	19016	\$ 18.45
2006-2007	19623	551.83
2006-2007	19961	315.00
2006-2007	20447	50.57
2006-2007	20710	17.46
2006-2007	20799	71.04
2007-2008	21355	20.00
2007-2008	21935	20.45
2007-2008	22422	350.00
2007-2008	22432	850.00
2007-2008	22559	40.00
2007-2008	22570	859.00
	Total	\$3,163.80

15.2.13 Approve the following resolutions:

MAXIMUM TRAVEL EXPENDITURE FOR 2009-2010

WHEREAS, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12, in each pre-budget year, the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education is required to establish a maximum travel expenditure amount for the budget year which may not be exceeded; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has determined that the maximum travel expenditure amount includes all travel that is supported by State, local and federal funds; and

RESOLVED, That the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education hereby establishes the maximum travel expenditure amount for the 2009-2010 school year as \$8,000.00 from the General Fund (20) and \$28,000 from Grant Funds (20).

**RESOLUTION TO SUPPLEMENT BUDGETED TRAVEL EXPENSES
GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, the Great Meadows Regional School District Board of Education adopted its FY 2009-2010 budget and included, as required by NJAC 6A:23A-7.3, a maximum travel expenditure for board members and district employees, and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount adopted included all local, state and federal funds, and

WHEREAS, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) will provide additional federal funding which may be used for staff training and development, and

WHEREAS, these funds were not expected or anticipated when the district adopted its maximum travel expenditures for the FY 2009/10 school year, and

WHEREAS, school districts have been given the authority to amend their adopted maximum travel expenditures by the Department of Education for the purpose of using additional ARRA funds to support professional development activities for the 2009-2010 school year,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education hereby approves a supplemental travel budget for ARRA Funds in the amount of \$15,000.00 which will support the improvement and development of professional and curricular activities during the FY 2009-2010 school year.

Adopted: _____

Signed: _____
School Business Administrator

15.2.14 Approve the following travel/conferences/workshops:

\$ Denotes the need for a substitute Teacher at a cost of \$80/per Diem.

Dana Dekleine	Conduct Disorders	\$ 160.00	7/30/09
Danielle Hamblin	21 st Century Schools	\$ 38.44	10/15/09
Jen Koster	Foundations – Princeton	\$ 207.00	8/14/09
Jennifer Cassini	2009 Annual Convention	\$ 450.00 (Approx)	10/28/09-10/29/09
Peggy Faulborn	2009 Annual Convention	\$ 450.00 (Approx)	10/28/09-10/29/09
Joe Mailloux	2009 Annual Convention	\$ 450.00 (Approx)	10/28/09-10/29/09
Ed O’Melia	2009 Annual Convention	\$ 300.00 (Approx)	10/28/09

15.2.15 Approve the following budget transfers for June 2009:

From: 12-120-100-730-000-000 Grade 1-5 Equipment
To: 12-000-100-730-000-000 Instructional Equipment
\$883.84 Technology Equipment

From: 12-130-100-730-000-000 Grade 6-8 Equipment
To: 12-000-100-730-000-000 Instructional Equipment
\$2,000.00 Technology Equipment

From: 12-000-400-450-000-000 Renovations
To: 12-000-260-730-000-000 Plant Equipment
\$2,600.00 Floor Polisher

15.2.16 Approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement (Employment Agreement) between Great Meadows Regional Education Association and Great Meadows Regional Board of Education effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012.

Motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by William Vonder Haar, to approve the bills from June 17, 2009 to June 30, 2009 in the amount of \$75,356.66.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by Ed O'Melia, to approve the bills from July 1, 2009 to July 28, 2009 in the amount of \$726,093.82.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by Ed O'Melia, to approve the cafeteria bills from June 23, 2009 to July 28, 2009 in the amount of \$11,308.27.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Joe Mahal, seconded by Peggy Faulborn, to adjourn at 8:55 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Mumaw
Board Secretary