

The regular meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Monday, November 16, 2009, at the Great Meadows Middle School, Independence Township. The meeting was called to order at 7:34 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, Joe Mahal, Joe Mailloux, Matthew Mowatt, Ed O'Melia, Jason Schaffer, Kimberly Schaffer, and William Vonder Haar.

Absent: None.

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

There were 8 members of the public in attendance.

Motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by William Vonder Haar, to approve the minutes from October 19, 2009.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by Ed O'Melia, to approve the executive session minutes from October 19, 2009.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by Ed O'Melia, to accept the Financial Report of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month ending October 31, 2009, as per copies attached and to certify that as of October 31, 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 Joe Mailloux, seconded by Peggy Faulborn, to approve the bills from October 19, 2009 to November 16, 2009 in the amount of \$1,885,454.26.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Matt Mowatt, to approve the cafeteria bills from October 19, 2009 to November 16, 2009 in the amount of \$23,899.66.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by William Vonder Haar, seconded by Peggy Faulborn, whereas,

the Board must consider matters regarding the contract for Director of Curriculum & Instruction, 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 7:40 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 7:45 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Audit Presentation by Anthony Ardito, Ardito & Co., LLP.

Tim Frederiks, Superintendent's Update.

Danielle Hamblin, Curriculum Update.

Public Comment: None

15.1 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by Jason Schaffer, to approve the following **Personnel & Curriculum** items 15.1.1 to 15.1.22.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

15.1.1 Approve the employment of Nicole Keane as .4x guidance counselor at Liberty School effective November 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 at Step 8 MA at an annual salary of \$50,840.00 x .4x = \$20,336.00 pro-rated to \$16,268.80.

15.1.2 Amend the pro-rated salary for Mary Ann Zino, which was approved on October 19, 2009, to \$32,743.73 effective November 30, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

15.1.3 Approve Danielle Hamblin as Director of Curriculum and Instruction effective November 9, 2009 through June 30, 2010 at an annual salary of \$99,265.00 pro-rated to \$64,108.64.

15.1.4 Approve the Inter-local Agreement between Great Meadows Regional School District and Allamuchy School District for Services of Danielle Hamblin, Director of Curriculum, for 1 day per week (.2x) effective December 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 at a fee for Allamuchy School District of 20% of employee salary and benefits which totals \$14,119.75.

15.1.5 Approve Cecil Beavers as Interim Principal of Central School effective November 9, 2009, through June 30, 2010 at the rate of \$500.00 per diem.

15.1.6 Approve the movement on the guide for Kara Feulner, 4th

grade teacher at Central School, effective September 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010 at Step 8 BS+15 at an annual salary of \$48,740.00.

15.1.7 Approve a medical leave of absence for Margaret Joseph, instructional aide at Liberty School, effective September 8, 2009 with a return date to be determined.

15.1.8 Approve a medical leave of absence for Judy Williams, 1st grade teacher at Central School, effective November 17, 2009 through December 14, 2009.

15.1.9 Approve Janessa Spellman as Wellness teacher at Great Meadows Middle School effective November 17, 2009 through June 30, 2010 at step 1 BS at an annual salary of \$46,445.00 pro-rated to \$34,833.75.

15.1.10 Approve Alyssa Zigarelli as instructional aide at Central School effective November 30, 2009 through June 30, 2010 at an annual salary of \$10,500.00 pro-rated to \$7,135.23.

15.1.11 Approve Jennifer Devine as a part time (.5x) aide for a Pre-school Disabilities student effective December 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 at an annual salary of \$10,500 pro-rated to \$7,077.22 upon receiving required information.

15.1.12 Approve Moira Kendra as a substitute nurse for Great Meadows Regional School District for the 2009-2010 school year.

15.1.13 Approve Michelle Stroessenreuther, Warren County Community College student, to observe two classes and work with one student for five planned intervention sessions to fulfill a course requirement.

15.1.14 Approve Veronica Carroll as a substitute teacher K-5 in the Great Meadows Regional School District for the 2009-2010 school year.

15.1.15 Approve Lisa Tran as a substitute teacher K-8 in the Great Meadows Regional School District for the 2009-2010 school year.

15.1.16 Approve Jim Bechtel, Joe D'Agostino, and Thomas Hershey as substitute custodians at the rate of \$10.58 per hour for the 2009-2010 school year.

15.1.17 Approve Sarah Montgomery as a cafeteria aide in Great Meadows Middle School effective November 17, 2009 through June 30, 2010 at the rate of \$9.74 per hour.

15.1.18 Approve, with parental consent, the New Jersey Middle School Risk and Protective Factors Survey from the NJ Department of Human Services.

- 15.1.19 Authorize the district to submit applications for emergency hiring and applicant's attestation that they have not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of NSJA 18:6-7.1 et. seq. for the following new employees:

Veronica Carroll, Moira Kendra, Jennifer Devine

- 15.1.20 Approve the following stipend:

Dana DeKleine, guidance counselor at Great Meadows Middle School
- 10/07/09 - Presented "Behavior Modification" Workshop -
\$34.00 per hour x 1 hour = \$34.00

- 15.1.21 Approve Karen Gaynor, certified teacher of Spanish and French, as a substitute teacher in the Great Meadows Regional School District effective December 1, 2009 to teach Spanish to 1st and 2nd graders at Liberty and Central Schools until a permanent .4x teacher can be secured for employment.

- 15.1.22 Authorize the district to submit the application for emergency hiring and applicant's attestation that she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of NSJA 18:6-7.1 et. seq. for the following new employee:

Karen Gaynor

- 15.2 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Peggy Faulborn, to approve the following **Policy** item 15.2.1.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

- 15.2.1 Approve the 2nd reading and adoption of:
Policy #4200 Dress and Grooming

- 15.3 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Matt Mowatt, seconded by Peggy Faulborn, to approve the following **Buildings/Grounds/Transportation** item 15.3.1.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

- 15.3.1 Approve the use of Liberty School gym by the "Over 40 Men's Basketball" group of players at a cost of \$75.00 per hour on the following dates:

11/09/09, 11/16/09, 11/26/09, 11/30/09
12/07/09, 12/14/09, 12/21/09
01/04/10, 01/11/10, 01/25/10
02/01/10, 02/08/10, 20/22/10
03/01/10, 03/08/10, 03/15/10, 03/22/10, 03/28/10
04/12/10, 04/19/10, 04/26/10

21 hours x \$75.00 per hour = \$1,575.00

15.4 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Peggy Faulborn, seconded by Ed O'Melia, to approve the following **Finance** items 15.4.1 to 15.4.7.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

15.4.1 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

PERSONNEL	WORKSHOP	APPROX COST	DATES
\$ Linda Wilkins	Improve student Performance	\$ 408.00	12/11/09, 1/15/10
Danielle Hamblin	Web Literacy	\$ 50.00	12/3/09
Marilyn Kosiorek	Building Web Literacy	\$ 50.00	12/8/09
\$ Marcia Goralczyk	Tech Program – Parsippany	\$ 212.00	12/9/09
Cheryl Panetta	Wilson Reading Methods	\$ 527.00	12/2,12/3,12/4/09

15.4.2 Accept the 2008-2009 Great Meadows Regional School District Comprehensive Annual Financial Audit and Report with no recommendations.

15.4.3 Accept the 2008-2009 Corrective Action Plan (CAP).

15.4.4 Approve a Special Education Contract between Great Meadows Regional School District and Hackettstown School District for one Middle School Student for the 2009-2010 school year at a cost of \$14,000.00.

15.4.5 Approve the amendment to the IDEA BASIC Grant for 2009-2010, which allocates additional funding of \$90,000.00 to out-of-district special education tuition.

15.4.6 Approve entering into the Hunterdon County Education Commission Cooperative Purchasing Program for the purpose of a joint bid for the purchase of paper products and fuel oil for the 2009-2010 school year.

15.4.7 Approve the following resolutions:

A RESOLUTION BINDING THE GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PURCHASE ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICES THROUGH THE ALLIANCE FOR COMPETITIVE ENERGY SERVICES ("ACES") Bid Cooperative Pricing System ID#E8801-ACESCPS

RESOLUTION NUMBER 111909

WHEREAS, the Alliance For Competitive Energy Services (hereinafter referred to as "ACES"), an alliance composed of the New Jersey School Boards Association (hereinafter referred to as "NJSBA"), the New Jersey Association of School Administrators,

and the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, will from time to time during the Effective Period as defined below solicit bids from electric power suppliers for electric generation services through an energy aggregation program in which NJSBA will act as Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS in accordance with the "Public School Contracts Law", N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq., and the Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-49 et seq. ("EDECA") and the regulations promulgated there under; and

WHEREAS, the Great Meadows Regional School District is a Participating member of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System and is eligible thereby to obtain electric generation services for its own use through one or more contracts to be awarded to electric power suppliers following said bids for electric generation services pursuant to the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through May, 2014 hereinafter referred to as "Effective Period") issue one or more Requests for Bids for electric generation services on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law and EDECA; and

WHEREAS, due to significant volatility and the potential for price increases in the wholesale electric market, Participating Members will preauthorize the Lead Agency to award contracts for Electric Generation Service in each service territory to one or more electric power suppliers that submit bids which are reasonably forecasted to provide estimated savings to the Participating Member based upon its previous electric usage and utility provided Basic Generation Service rates; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will only award contracts for said electric generation services to electric power suppliers that submit bids with pricing reasonably estimated to be lower than the utility-provided basic generation service; and

WHEREAS, the District agrees to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period through any electric power supplier(s) awarded a contract, it being understood that the term of any one contract shall be subject to the provisions of Public School Contracts Law;

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will notify the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Local Government Services by mail prior to the issuance a Request for Bids for electric generation services, with the understanding that if the Division of Local Government Services does not respond within 10 business days, it

will be deemed to have approved the issuance of the Request for Bids or the Request for Re-bids.

NOW, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the District binds itself to the ACES Cooperative Pricing System ##E8801-ACESCPS to purchase all electric power needed for its own use (exclusive of on-site electric generation sources) during the Effective Period from the electric power supplier or suppliers awarded a contract for electric generation services by the Lead Agency; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lead Agency of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System is hereby authorized to execute a master performance agreement that obligates the district to purchase electricity at the terms and conditions stated therein with a third-party supplier or suppliers who have been awarded the contract or contracts by the Lead Agency on behalf of the participating members of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System #E8801-ACESCPS (or any CPS number to be assigned in the future), and provided further that all such contracts shall be at prices reasonably forecast and estimated by the Lead Agency to provide savings to the Districts relative to the price charged for basic generation service by the electric public utility that would otherwise provide such service; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that ACES is authorized to continue to bid to obtain electric generation services at any time during the Effective Period on behalf of the ACES Cooperative Pricing System including, for example, a re-bid if energy market conditions do not initially lead to a successful bid, on additional dates to be determined by the Lead Agency; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the NJSBA pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)), and the Local Public and Public School Contracts Laws Administrative Code (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.) shall be valid until May, 2014 (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission or expiration of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and correct copy of Resolution Number 111609 adopted by Great Meadows Regional School District Board of Education at its meeting on November 16, 2009.

BY: Julie R. Mumaw, Business Administrator

ATTESTED BY: Jen Cassini, Board of Education President

On Behalf of: Great Meadows Regional School District

County of Warren, State of New Jersey

RESOLUTION FOR MEMBER PARTICIPATION IN A COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM

A resolution authorizing the Great Meadows Regional School District to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement

RESOLUTION NUMBER 111609-2

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40 A: 11-11 (5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

WHEREAS, the Great Meadows Regional School District hereinafter referred to as the "lead Agency" has offered voluntary participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

WHEREAS; on November 16, 2009 the governing body of the Great Meadows Regional School District, County of Warren, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

TITLE

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the Great Meadows Regional School District.

AUTHORITY

Pursuant to the provision of N.J. S. A. 40A:11-11(5), the Superintendent is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

CONTRACTING UNIT

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Laws (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. seq.) and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

CERTIFICATION

BY: _____

ATTEST BY: _____

Motion by Joe Mahal, seconded by Ed O'Melia, to adjourn at 8:30 PM.
Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Mumaw
Board Secretary