

**GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Monday, December 19, 2011, at the Liberty Elementary School, Liberty Township. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 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: Jennifer Cassini, Jamie Cicerelle, Joe Mailloux, Ed O'Melia, Jason Schaffer, Glenn Sullivan, and William Vonder Haar.

Absent: Joe Mahal and Kimberly Schaffer.

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

There were 15 members of the public in attendance.

A presentation was held by Maria Levenstein, Liberty School Art Teacher, to a 4th grade Liberty School student who won the artist of the week contest on the on-line art museum ARTSONIA.

A presentation was held by William Nutt, GATE Teacher, and GATE students who won 1st place in the Battle of the Minds competition.

Motion by Glenn Sullivan, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to approve the minutes from November 7, 2011 and November 21, 2011.

Motion carried in a voice vote with Cassini, Cicerelle, and Vonder Haar abstaining from November 7, 2011 minutes, and Vonder Haar abstaining from November 21, 2011 minutes.

Motion by Jenn Cassini, seconded by Joe Mailloux, to approve the executive session minutes from October 17, 2011, November 7, 2011, and November 21, 2011.

Motion carried in a voice vote with J. Schaffer abstaining from October 17, 2011 minutes, Cassini, Cicerelle, and Vonder Haar abstaining from November 7, 2011 minutes, and Vonder Haar abstaining from November 21, 2011 minutes.

Motion by Glenn Sullivan, seconded by Jenn Cassini, to accept the Financial Report of the Secretary and Treasurer for the months ending November 30, 2011, as per copies attached, and

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to certify that as of November 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 voice vote with Cicerelle abstaining.

Motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Jenn Cassini, to approve the bills from November 22, 2011 to December 19, 2011 in the amount of \$1,766,301.07.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Jenn Cassini, to approve the cafeteria bills from November 22, 2011 to December 19, 2011 in the amount of \$16,086.13.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Public Comment:

Susan Cullen asked about energy audit and solar project.

15.1 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Jenn Cassini, to approve the following **Personnel** items 15.1.1 to 15.1.19.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

15.1.1 Approve stipends for the following aides who attended an instructional aide training session for 1 hour at the hourly rate of \$12.50.

Pat Araki
Lynn Ferguson - (\$8.92 per hour)
Rachael Garrison
Adrienne Larsen
Terry Sickels
Catherine Stuber
Michelle Thorry

15.1.2 Approve the payment of 12 sick days to retiree, Marie Consentino, at a daily rate of \$40 = \$480.00 (subject to change if days are used.)

15.1.3 Approve homebound instruction for a kindergarten student effective the week of November 28, 2011 through

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January 6, 2012 subject to revision based on medical reassessment and IEP revision.

- 15.1.4 Approve Alyssa Zigarelli as a homebound instructor for a kindergarten student effective the week of November 28, 2011 through January 6, 2012 subject to revision based on medical reassessment and IEP revision at the contractual hourly rate of \$38.00.
- 15.1.5 Approve Tara Dolan as an ABA aide in Central School effective (no sooner than) January 9, 2012 through June 30, 2012 at an hourly rate of \$25.00 per hour (hours to be determined.)
- 15.1.6 Approve revised job description for Supervisor of Special Education/Social Worker for the 2012-2013 school year.
- 15.1.7 Acknowledge the receipt of the Superintendent's HIB incidents for the months of November and December 2011.
- 15.1.8 Approve Marie Consentino, retiring December 31, 2011, to be added to substitute list as a teacher for Homebound Instruction effective January 1, 2012 through June 2012 at an hourly rate of \$38.00.
- 15.1.9 Approve Michelle DeLorenzo as the 7th grade Language Arts teacher at Great Meadows Middle School effective January 3, 2012 through June 30, 2012 at Step 1 BS+30 with an annual salary of \$52,480.00 pro-rated to \$31,225.60.
- 15.1.10 Approve Lindsey Dahms, a Kutztown University student, to observe 1 hour each with Eileen Romagnoli, Kindergarten teacher, and Laurie Washburn, 2nd grade teacher, on December 5, 2012 at Central School.
- 15.1.11 Approve Alexandra Wechsler, a Centenary College student, to observe 10 hours of observation with Kara Feulner, 4th grade teacher at Liberty School, beginning in January 2012.
- 15.1.12 Withdrawn by Superintendent.
- 15.1.13 Approve a change in the after-school club "WEIGHTLIFTING" to begin on January 9, 2012 through April

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2012 1 hour per session for a total of 22 hours.

15.1.14 Approve the revised K-8 Science Curriculum realigned to reflect the new Common Core Standards.

15.1.15 Approve the revised K-2 Math Curriculum realigned to reflect the National Common Core Standards.

15.1.16 Approve Denise Housel as a substitute teacher for Great Meadows Regional School District for the 2011-2012 school year.

15.1.17 Approve Michael Stewart, University of Phoenix on-line student, to fulfill his student teaching requirements with Judy Williams, 3rd grade teacher at Liberty School, beginning January 2012.

15.1.18 Approve the following field trips:

Grade 5C,5G,5Z - January 26, 2012 - County College of Morris, The Longo Planetarium, Randolph, NJ

Grade 5A,5D - January 27, 2012 - County College of Morris, The Longo Planetarium, Randolph, NJ

Grade 1 - May 8, 2012 - Morristown Community Theatre at Mayo Center and Rock Springs Park, Long Valley, NJ

15.1.19 Approve Chess Club as an after-school activity commencing on January 10, 2012 for 10 sessions at 1 hour per session at \$38.00 per hour to be presented by Steve Thorpe, 8th grade Science teacher, and funded by the Municipal Alliance.

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

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

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.

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PERSONNEL	WORKSHOP	COST	DATES
\$ Claudia Revak	NJMEA Music Conf	\$ 216.00	2/24/2012
\$ Jennifer Koster	Wilson Reading	\$ 734.00	1/24, 1/25, 1/26/2012
\$ Jody Schantzenbach	Wilson Reading	\$ 747.00	1/24, 1/25, 1/26/2012
\$ Anne Amundsen	Wilson Reading	\$ 696.00	1/24, 1/25, 1/26/2012
Stephanie Conway	IEPs:Required Components & Considerations	\$32.00	12/14/11
Emily Vidal	IEPs:Required Components & Considerations	\$32.00	12/14/11
\$ Alyssa Zigarelli	Functional Behavior Assessment	\$32.00	12/19, 1/23/12
\$ Jennifer Koster	Functional Behavior Assessment	\$32.00	12/19, 1/23/12
Stephanie Conway	Functional Behavior Assessment	\$32.00	12/19, 1/23/12

15.3 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Glenn Sullivan, seconded by Jason Schaffer, to approve the following **Buildings/Grounds/Transportation** items 5.3.1 to 5.3.9.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

15.3.1 Approve Tiger Sports Association to use the Middle School gym on the following Saturdays at an hourly rate of \$25.00 x 15 hours = \$375.00 which includes ½ hour at the end of each session for custodial coverage:

December 3, 2011	January 28, 2012
January 7, 2012	February 4, 2012
January 24, 2012	March 3, 2012

15.3.2 Approve amendment to the Long Range Facility Plans for the following projects:

Middle School
Installation of Solar Panels
Reroofing portions of the building

Central School
Installation of Solar Panels

Liberty School
Installation of Solar Panels
Reroofing portions of the building

15.3.3 Approve the revised Schedule of Committee Meetings, Workshops, and Regular BOE Meetings.

15.3.4 Accept the Dome Tech, Inc. of Edison, NJ Work Order Agreement to perform an Energy Audit under the State of New Jersey Local Government Energy Audit Program in the

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amount of \$13,625.00.

- 15.3.5** Approve a group of Liberty Township men to play basketball at Liberty School on the following Mondays for one hour at the rate of \$75.00 per hour x 16 hours = \$1,200.00:

January 9, 2012	March 19, 2012
January 23, 2012	March 26, 2012
January 30, 2012	April 16, 2012
February 6, 2012	April 23, 2012
February 13, 2012	April 30, 2012
February 27, 2012	May 7, 2012
March 5, 2012	May 14, 2012
March 12, 2012	May 21, 2012

- 15.3.6** Approve for submission of the SOA (Statement of Assurance) Statement for the School Year 2011-2012 QSAC by Great Meadows Regional School District.

- 15.3.7** Approve for submission of the DPR files for the School Year 2011-2012 QSAC by Great Meadows Regional School District.

- 15.3.8** Approve the following budget transfer:

FROM: 11-000-216-320-000-000 OT/PT/BLIND COM
TO: 11-190-100-610-000-000 GEN SUPPL - TECH
\$7,887.00 Software License renewals FY 11-12 and CY 12

- 15.3.9** Approve the Liberty Township Cub Scouts Pack #138 to use the Central School gym and cafeteria on Saturday, January 21, 2012, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the rate of \$25.00 per hour x 4 hours plus ½ hour for custodial coverage before and after the requested usage which totals 5 hours x \$25.00 per hour = \$125.00.

- 15.4** Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Jason Schaffer, to approve the following **Policy** item 5.4.1.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

- 15.4.1** Approve the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy #7510 - Use of School Facilities.

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Public Comment:

Susan Cullen asked about Hackettstown surplus and how it ties into the forensic audit, asked why the forensic audit is always discussed in executive session, questioned items on the executive session agenda.

Susan Cullen asked if principals are still getting curriculum stipend when the Superintendent is doing the work. She was told even though the Superintendent is the coordinator; the principals are doing the actual work.

Susan Cullen asked if the townships will share in the solar panel cost.

Motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Jenn Cassini, whereas, the Board must consider matters involving negotiations and pending/anticipated litigation, 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 8:26 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 Joe Mailloux, seconded by William Vonder Haar, to re-enter regular session at 9:40 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Jason Schaffer, seconded by Jamie Cicerelle, to adjourn at 9:40 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Mumaw
Board Secretary