

GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF Tuesday, July 18, 2017

The regular meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at the Great Meadows Middle School, Independence Township. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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: Jamie Cicerelle, Susan Cullen, Dawn Frost, Lori Prymak, Dave Schmitz William Vonder Haar Ed O'Melia.

Absent: Joe Mailloux, Agatha Wilke.

David C. Mango, Superintendent, Timothy Havlusch School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Debbi Grigoletti Director of Curriculum, Israel Marmolejos Principal of GMMS, and Kathy Gesurmaria Shared Director of Special Services were also present.

There was also 4 member of the public in attendance.

Correspondence

Ed O'Melia read a thank you note from former Independence Police Chief Denis Riley thanking the Board for their recognition of him at the June 13 Regular BOE Meeting.

At this time Susan Cullen addressed the Board and with a letter that was read into the record and is attached.

[Susan Cullen Letter \(Click Here\)](#)

Minutes

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Dave Schmitz to approve the minutes from June 13, 2017 (Regular & Executive Session) and June 26, 2017 (Special and Executive Session)

Motion carried in a voice vote with Susan Cullen abstaining on the minutes from June 13, 2017 and June 26, 2017 and Lori Prymak abstaining on the minutes from June 13, 2017 and William Vonder Harr voting nay to the minutes of June 13, 2017.

Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent provided the Board and public with an update on various topics:

- ✓ An update was provided on a recent meeting with the Current Commissioner of Education, Kim Harrington and former Commissioner of Education William Librera for the purposes of discussion the challenges facing both districts and possible outcomes that may arise based on the feasibility study currently underway.
- ✓ The Superintendent announced a "revised" office hours schedule, that was established for the purposes of allowing any resident to see him in his office to discuss the feasibility study in detail in order to eliminate any confusion as to what information the study is providing to both the Hackettstown and GM Boards of Education.
- ✓ There will be a "joint" meeting of both the Hackettstown and GM Boards of Education in November to present the results of the ongoing study. The Superintendent made it clear that attendance is mandatory for this meeting.
- ✓ The Superintendent also announced that the Principal of Hackettstown High School would be leaving to take a similar position at Phillipsburg High School.

This concluded the Superintendent's report.

Committee Reports

Would be discussed and presented after the Superintendent's Report

The Governance committee is recommending that that Item C-2 on the agenda be tabled in order to allow the committee more time to review the proposed changes before the next committee meeting which is scheduled for August 14, 2017

The Education committee briefly discussed the preparation and distribution of minutes from committee meetings

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Public Comment – Agenda Items Only

There were direct questions to the content of the feasibility study and its relationship to the continued operation of Liberty School. Additional comments were made about the dissatisfaction of current NJ Legislation that eliminated the public vote on the budget.

There were also comments made about the possibility of a “rental” agreement in order to address the needs of both districts. Additional comments were made on the on-line facility survey results.

Close of Public Comment

SECTION A

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O’Melia second by Susan Cullen, to approve the following **OPERATIONS** items A-1 through A-21 as amended.

There was some clarification provided on item A-9 as it related to matters of personnel concerns previously expressed to the board.

There was a clarification requested in the future that all designated budget lines on the Payroll Purchase Order be completed in order to provide additional clarity to the expenses being approved.

An explanation was provided on item A-21 and its necessity at this time as directed by the Commissioner of Education as part of the recent budget appropriation agreement reached in Trenton.

Motion carried in a roll call vote with William Vonder Haar voting nay on item A-21 and abstaining on check #'s 51260 & #51261 from item A-1.

- A-1 Approval of Check Register(s) – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approve the bill list from June 13, 2017 through June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$1,347,654.70 (Check #'s 51245-51314) and approve the bill list from July 1, 2017 through July 14, 2017 in the amount of \$355,671.10 (Check #'s 51350-51404) **ATTACHMENTS A-1**
- A-2 Approval of Check Register (Cafeteria Account) – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approve the bill list from June 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$5,949.67 (Check #'s 22519) **ATTACHMENT A2.**
- A-3 Approval of Financial Reports – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the Secretary and Treasurer Reports (**BSR & TSM**) for the month May 2017. **ATTACHMENT(s) A-3**
- A-4 Acceptance of Financial Reports Certification – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, accept the certification of the Board Secretary, and certify: in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(c), that to the best of our knowledge as of May 31, 2017, no major account or fund has been over-expended and that sufficient funds exist to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school years. **ATTACHMENT A-3**
- A-5 Approval of Transfers -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the transfers as of May 31, 2017 in the amount of \$158,538.00 **ATTACHMENT A-5**
- A-6 Approval of Tuition Contract Agreement, Special Education (2016-17) -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement for 2016-17 with Stepping Stone School in the amount of \$3,190.46 from June 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 (\$245.42/day for 13 Days)
- A-7 Approval of Auditing Services Contract (2017-18) – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the 2017-2018 purchased service contract between GMRSD and Bedard, Kurowicki & Co., CPA’s, PC (BKC) with William M. Colantano, Jr. CPA as the lead auditor for audit and accounting services to be performed for the 2016-2017 fiscal year at a cost not to exceed \$19,950.00.

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- A-8 Approval of Facility Usage Central School (Great Meadows PTO) - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approve the placement of a used book collection bin from New Legacy Books in the employee parking lot at Central School as a fund raising opportunity for the Great Meadows PTO
- A-9 Approval of Child Study Team Services Agreement with WCSSSD - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator continuing the Child Study Team Services Agreement with WCSSSD as attached for the 2017-2018 school year. **ATTACHMENT A-9**
- A-10 Approval of Tuition Contract Agreement, Shepard Prep High School (2017-18 & ESY) -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approves the Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement with Shepard Preparatory High School in the amount of \$61,158.69 from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (287.13/day for 213 days)
- A-11 Approval of Payment for Unused Sick Time - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve payment of unused sick time to the following staff members whose retirement was effective July 1, 2017 at a rate of \$63.00 per day not to exceed \$8,800, in accordance with the CBA between the GMRBOE and the GMREA. Payments are to be made as part of the regular August 15, 2017 and January 15, 2018 payroll disbursements.
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| Judy Arnold - | <u>\$8,800.00</u> | \$4,400.00 | 8/15/17 | \$4,400.00 | 1/15/18 |
| Julie Skoldberg - | <u>\$3,622.50</u> | \$1,811.25 | 8/15/17 | \$1,811.25 | 1/15/18 |
- A-12 Approval of Tuition Contract Agreement, Celebrate the Children (2017-18) -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approves the Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement with Celebrate The Children in the amount of \$68,310.00 from September 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (379.50/day for 180 days)
- A-13 Approval of Tuition Contract Agreement, Special Education (2017-18) -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement for 2017-18 with Stepping Stone School in the amount of \$56,433.30 from July 5, 2017 through June 30, 2018 (\$268.73/day for 210 Days)
- A-14 Approval of Professional Services Contract – J&B Therapy (2017-18) – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the agreement between GMRSD and J&B Therapy, LLC for the purposes of providing Professional Services in accordance with the contract on file for the 2017-18. **ATTACHMENT A-14**
- A-15 Approval of Tuition Contract Agreement, Special Education (ESY) - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement for ESY with ESC of Morris County (Park Lake School) in the amount of \$3,925.00 from July 5, 2017 through August 11, 2017. Personal Aid services for this period to be \$3,445.00
- A-16 Approval of Tuition Contract Agreement, Special Education (ESY) - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement for ESY with ESC of Morris County (Regional Day School) in the amount of \$3,925.00 from July 5, 2017 through August 11, 2017. Personal Aid services for this period to be \$3,445.00
- A-17 Approval of Tuition Contract Agreement, Special Education (ESY & 2017-18 SY) -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement (ESY 2017 and 2017-2018 SY) with Sussex County ESC (Northern Hills Academy) in the amount of \$67,038 from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 as well as teacher's aide as required by IEP in the amount of \$32,117.30 and additional therapy in the amount of \$ 7,027.20
- A-18 Approval of Tuition Contract Agreement, The Midland School -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approves the Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement with The Midland School in the amount of \$67,785.90 from July 5, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (210 days @ \$322.79/per diem)

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A-19 Approval of Contract for Behavior Analytical Services for the 2017-18 School Year -- BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approves the Contract Agreement with Applied Behavioral Consulting (ABC) LLC to provide Behavioral Consulting Services for the 2017-18 School Year commencing on September 1, 2017 and ending on June 30, 2018 at a rate of \$125/hr and at an amount not to exceed 20 hrs per month. **ATTACHMENT A-19**

A-20 Approval of FY18 ESEA (Formerly NCLB) Grant Submission and Acceptance – BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the School Business Administrator, authorize the submission of the FY2018 ESEA Consolidated Formula Subgrant application in the total amount of \$75,413 – Title I, \$18,968 – Title II, \$2,843 – Title III and \$10,000 Title IV for a total submittal of \$107,224; and accept the award of funds upon subsequent approval of the application.

A-21 Approval of Use of Surplus to Maintain Budget Appropriations for 2017-2018 FY – BE IT RESOLVED:

WHEREAS, State aid reductions may be addressed through transfers from general fund surplus at any time during the budget year as permitted by N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3(b) and (c). and;

WHEREAS, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.3(b) and (c), NJDOE approval to transfer/increase the amount of unassigned general fund surplus budgeted in the original budget certified for taxes by board resolution on or prior to August 1, 2017 to provide the resources necessary to offset the reduction to 2017-18 state aid has been granted by the New Jersey Commissioner of Education in her Broadcast dated July 14, 2017.;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to increase the use of unassigned general fund surplus in the amount of \$32,369 to provide the resources necessary to offset the reduction to 2017-18 state aid as indicated by the New Jersey Commissioner of Education in her Broadcast dated July 14, 2017. and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

SECTION B

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia second by Susan Cullen, to approve the following **HUMAN RESOURCES** items B-1 through B-6 as amended.

There was some clarification provided on the difference between CST staff and ESY staff as it relates to responsibilities and obligation during the summer.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

B-1 Approval of New Staff – BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the new staff for the 2017-2018 school year, attached by reference.

B-2 Approval of Summer 2017 CST Staff - BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Child Study Team members to work on new referrals during the summer of 2017 at the contracted hourly rate of \$38.00/hour, attached by reference.

B-3 Approval of Revised Summer 2017 ESY Staff - BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of Revised Summer 2017 Extended School Year (ESY) Staff, attached by reference.

B-4 Approval of Additional Summer & Substitute Custodians – BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval to employ Luis Rebaza, Julia Lenz, Joe Matuszek and Emily Wilson as summer and substitute custodians, at a rate of \$10.50/hour for the Summer of 2017.

B-5 Approval of General Supplies Coordinator – BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon Recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Beth Hendershot as General Supplies Coordinator from August 1-31, 2017 at the rate of \$10.00/hour not to exceed 50 hours.

B-6 Approval of Additional Hours for Summer Library Help – BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Jennifer Van Roekel for an additional 10 hours to help move books back into the Library at Liberty School after painting the Liberty School Library at the rate of \$9.45/hour.

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SECTION C

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia second by Dave Schmitz, to approve the following **EDUCATIONAL/GOVERNANCE** items C-1 , C-3 and C-4 as amended.

There was additional clarification and comments made on the extensive curriculum document.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

- C-1 Approval of Workshop Attendance - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve workshop attendance for the 2017-2018 school year, attached by reference.
- C-3 Approval of New Curriculum - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the new curriculum for the 2017-2018 school year, attached by reference.
- C-4 Approval of Workshop Attendance - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve workshop attendance for the 2016-2017 school year, attached by reference.

Hackettstown Report

An additional comment was made on the departure of Mr. Scanlon from HHS

Independence Township Report

Nothing to report at this time.

Liberty Township Report

The Liberty Council inquired of a GMRBOE member who was in attendance at a recent meeting relating to various aspects of the feasibility study. One of the areas of concern expressed was that a shared superintendent between both districts may skew the results of the study.

Public Comment/New Business

There were questions from the public on potential transportation matters regarding additional housing being built in the area of Bilby Road. No clarification could be provide at this point since the housing had not been completed and bus stops have not yet been established but it was conveyed that any additional stops regarding this development would have to meet current transportation standards.

There are also additional comments from the public relating to past forensic audits and the findings in those audits. It was expressed that the information in a past forensic audit could very easily be disseminated to a member of the public as part of a valid OPRA request should one be submitted.

Motion for Executive Session

Motion was made by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Dawn Frost to enter Executive Session for the purposes of potential litigation and H.I.B. and matters of personnel.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:36 PM.

Motion Re-Open Public Session

Motion was made by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Jamie Cicerelle to re-open the Public Session at 9:01 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by William Vonder Haar, to adjourn at 9:01PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Havlusch

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The regular meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at the Great Meadows Middle School, Independence Township. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 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: Jamie Cicerelle, Susan Cullen, Dawn Frost, Dave Schmitz & Ed O'Melia.

Absent: Joe Mailloux (arrived @ 7:04), Lori Prymak, William Vonder Haar & Agatha Wilke.

David C. Mango, Superintendent, Timothy Havlusch School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Debbi Grigoletti Director of Curriculum, Israel Marmolejos Principal of GMMS, and Kathy Gesurmaria Shared Director of Special Services were also present.

There was also 5 member of the public in attendance.

Correspondence

None at this time

Minutes

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Dave Schmitz to approve the minutes from July 18th, 2017. (Regular & Executive Session)

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Committee Reports

The Education committee commented on working towards having the same format for the preparation of curriculum.

Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent provided the Board and public with an update on various topics:

- ✓ The ongoing feasibility study being prepared by former Commissioner of Education for the state of New Jersey, David Hespe would be presented at the November 21, 2017 joint board meeting between Hackettstown BOE and Great Meadows BOE.
- ✓ There will be a another meeting on the morning of September 29 with Mr. Hespe and the mayors of all the municipalities that are part of the study as way to add additional input and to be given the status of the report up to that time in very broad strokes.
- ✓ There will be a joint Finance/Operations Committee meeting between the GM committee and the Hackettstown Committee on October 12th in Hackettstown. The purpose of this meeting will be for initial budget planning, audit results made known to that point and any other matters concerning both committees.
- ✓ Israel Marmolejos, Great Meadows Middle School Principal, gave a presentation on HIB scoring and district self-assessment for the prior year as compared to the past year.

This concluded the Superintendent's report.

Public Comment – Agenda Items Only

There were no comments at this time.

Close of Public Comment

SECTION A

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia second by Dawn Frost, to approve the following **OPERATIONS** items A-1 through A-15 as amended.

There was some clarification provided on item A-11 as it related to mention of Sussex County and not Warren County. That issue was amended.

There was also clarification provided on the matter of Bedtime Math as it relates to Great Meadows.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

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- A-1 Approval of Check Register(s) – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approve the bill list from July 15, 2017 through August 18, 2017 in the amount of \$1,070,745.58 (Check #'s 51405-51512) **ATTACHMENTS A-1**
- A-2 Approval of Check Register (Cafeteria Account) – Nothing to approve at this time**
- A-3 Approval of Financial Reports – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the Secretary and Treasurer Reports (**BSR & TSM**) for the month June 2017. **ATTACHMENT(s) A-3**
- A-4 Acceptance of Financial Reports Certification – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, accept the certification of the Board Secretary, and certify: in compliance with NJAC 6A:23A-16.10(c), that to the best of our knowledge as of June 30, 2017, no major account or fund has been over-expended and that sufficient funds exist to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school years. **ATTACHMENT A-3**
- A-5 Approval of Transfers -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the transfers as of June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$292,160.46 **ATTACHMENT A-5**
- A-6 Approval of Out of District Placements, Special Education -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the attached out of district placement(s) for the 2017-2018 school year, as attached, and further, that transportation be arranged as required. **ATTACHMENT A-6**
- A-7 Approval of Tuition Contract Agreement, Regular Education -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the attached Tuition Contract Agreement with the Hackettstown Board of Education, for the 2017-2018 school year in the amount of \$4,617,168 as attached, and further, that transportation be arranged as required. **ATTACHMENT A-7**
- A-8 Approval of Tuition Contract Agreement, Special Education -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the attached Special Education Tuition Contract Agreement with the Hackettstown Board of Education, for the 2016-2017 school year in the amount of \$210,000 as attached. **ATTACHMENT A-8**
- A-9 Approval of Tuition Contract Agreement, Vocational Education -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the attached Tuition Contract Agreement with the Warren County Technical School Board of Education, for the 2017-2018 school year as attached. **ATTACHMENT A-9**
- A-10 Approval of Technology Disposal - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approve the disposal of technology items as attached. **ATTACHMENT A-10**
- A-11 Approval of Refunding Outstanding 2007 Refunding School Bonds Maturing in the year 2019-2025 – BE IT RESOLVED:** Whereas, on December 20, 2007, the Board of Education of the Great Meadows Regional School District in the County of Warren, New Jersey (the "Board" when referring to the governing body and the "School District" when referring to the territorial boundaries governed by the Board) issued \$8,355,000 aggregate principal amount of tax-exempt refunding school bonds (the "2007 Refunding School Bonds") to refund its then outstanding 1998 school bonds for debt service savings; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the current tax-exempt interest rate environment may enable it to realize debt service savings for property taxpayers residing in the School District through the issuance by the Board of Refunding School Bonds (the "Refunding School Bonds") to refund up to all of the \$3,715,,000 aggregate principal amount of the outstanding 2007 Refunding School Bonds maturing on January 15 in the years 2019, 2020, 2021, 2023 and 2025, with mandatory sinking fund principal installments thereon on January 15 in the years 2022 and 2024, inclusive (the "Refunded Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, in efforts to realize such taxpayer savings, the Board now desires to adopt and enact a refunding school bond ordinance (the "Refunding Bond Ordinance") authorizing the issuance of the Refunding School Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$3,825,000, the net proceeds of which shall be used to refund all or a portion of the Refunded Bonds in accordance with their terms.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY as follows:

Section 1. The Refunding Bond Ordinance attached hereto as Exhibit A is hereby approved. Bond Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to publish the required notice of public hearing for the Refunding Bond Ordinance in the School District authorized newspaper, in the form and at the time required by N.J.S.A. 18A:24-61.4.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.
ATTACHMENT A-11

A-12 Approval of Transportation Routes & Contracts for 2017-18 School Year - BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve the following transportation contracts and routes between Great Meadows Regional School District and **First Student, Inc.** for the 2017-2018 School Year for a total cost of **\$629,710.58**: (This represents renewal at an increase of .3% which is equal to the C.P.I.)

GMR2005

M1	Middle School	\$ 22,158.08
M2	Middle School	\$ 22,158.08
M3	Middle School	\$ 22,158.08
M4	Middle School	\$ 22,158.08
M6	Middle School	\$ 22,158.08
M7	Middle School	\$ 22,158.08
M8	Middle School	\$ 22,158.08
HS1	Hackettstown High School	\$ 40,405.95
HS3	Hackettstown High School	\$ 40,405.95
HS4	Hackettstown High School	\$ 22,158.08
HS5	Hackettstown High School	\$ 22,158.08
HS6	Hackettstown High School	\$ 22,158.08
HS7	Hackettstown High School	\$ 22,158.08
		<u>\$324,550.72</u>

FS-0607-01

FS-1	Hackettstown High School	
		<u>\$ 24,063.41</u>

FS-1011-02

LC1	Liberty School	\$ 19,355.49
LC2	Liberty School	\$ 19,355.49
LC3	Liberty School	\$ 19,355.49
LC4	Liberty School	\$ 19,355.49
LC5	Liberty School	\$ 19,355.49
CL1	Central School	\$ 19,355.49
CL2	Central School	\$ 19,355.49
CL3	Central School	\$ 19,355.49
CL4	Central School	\$ 19,355.49
CL6	Central School	\$ 19,355.49
CL7	Central School	\$ 19,355.49
CL8	Central School	\$ 19,355.49
		<u>\$232,265.91</u>

FS-1314-01

CL5	Central School	\$ 23,379.21
MS5	Middle School	\$ 23,379.21
		<u>\$ 48,830.54</u>

A-13 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Bedtime Math Foundation– BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Bedtime Math Foundation and Hackettstown Public Schools to implement the Parents Count Program for the 2017-2018 school year, as attached by reference. **ATTACHMENT A-13**

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- A-14 Approval Coordinated Transportation Agreement with WCSSSD (2017-18) -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, approve the Coordinated Transportation Agreement with the Warren County Special Service School District (WCSSSD) for Transportation Services for the 2016-17 School Year.
- A-15 Authorization for Application for Additional State Assistance -- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, authorize the Superintendent's Application for Additional state Assistance. The necessity of this application is necessary due the revised budget reflective of the state aid reduction, adopted by the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education on July 18, 2017 fails to provide T&E as defined at N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-1.2.

SECTION B

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia second by Joe Mailloux, to approve the following **HUMAN RESOURCES** items B-1 through B-6.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

- B-1 Acceptance of Resignation – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept the resignation of Brielle Pagano, PSD Aide at Central School, effective immediately.
- B-2 Approval of New Staff – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint new staff, for the 2017-2018 school year attached by reference.
- B-3 Appointment of 2017-2018 Liberty and Middle School Team Leaders - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve 2017-2018 Liberty and Middle School Team Leaders, attached by reference.
- B-4 Approval of Leave of Absence – BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, approve leave of absence for the 2017-2018 school year, attached by reference.
- B-5 Approval of Student Teacher - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve Student Teacher for the 2017-2018 school year, attached by reference.
- B-6 Approval of Substitute(s) - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve substitutes, as needed, for the 2017-2018 school year, attached by reference.

SECTION C

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Ed O'Melia second by Joe Mailloux, to approve the following **EDUCATIONAL/GOVERNANCE** items C-1 through C-4.

There was additional clarification and comments made on some of the minor typos and how they would be corrected prior to final adoption. There was also clarification provided on the matter of meal charges within a policy.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

- C-1 Approval of the 2016-2017 School Self Assessment- BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the 2016-2017 School Self Assessment for determining grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act.
- C-2 Approval of New Curriculum - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Curriculum Committee, approve new curriculum for the 2017-2018 school year, attached by reference.
- C-3 Adoption of Textbooks - BE IT RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Curriculum Committee, adopt new textbooks for the 2017-2018 school year, attached by reference.

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C-4 Approval of 1st Reading of District Policies and Regulations - BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following District Policies and Regulations in a 1st reading:

- P & R 1240 Evaluation of Superintendent (M) (Revised)**
- P 1511 Board of Education Website Accessibility (New)**
- P & R 3126 District Mentoring Program (Revised)**
- P & R 3221 Evaluation of Teachers (M) (Revised)**
- P & R 3222 Evaluation of Teaching Staff Members, Excluding Teachers and Administrators (M) (Revised)**
- P & R 3223 Evaluation of Administrators, Excluding Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (M) (Revised)**
- P & R 3224 Evaluation of Principals, Vice Principals, and Assistant Principals (M) (Revised)**
- P & R 3240 Professional Development for Teachers and School Leaders (M) (Revised)**
- P & R 5610 Suspension (M) (Revised)**
- P 5620 Expulsion (M) (Revised)**
- P 8550 Unpaid Meal Charges/Outstanding Food Service Charges (M) (Revised)**

Other Business

Hackettstown Report

An update was provided on the status of all of the summer projects taking place at HHS, including the remodeled media center.

Independence Township Report

Nothing to report at this time.

Liberty Township Report

Nothing to report at this time.

Public Comment/New Business

Nothing at this time.

Close of Public Comment

Motion for Executive Session

Motion was made by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Dawn Frost to enter Executive Session for the purposes of potential litigation.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:32 PM.

Motion Re-Open Public Session

Motion was made by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Joe Mailloux to re-open the Public Session at 7:38 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion was made by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Jamie Cicerelle to approve the following.

Authorization for Tuition waiver pending purchase of primary residence-- BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, authorize the acceptance of student #123456 on a tuition free basis pending the purchase of a primary residence within the district for a period of time not to exceed 90 days.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

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Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Dawn Frost, to adjourn at 7:40PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Havlusch

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The regular meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Tuesday, August 26, 2017 at the Great Meadows Middle School Media Center, Independence Township. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 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: Jamie Cicerelle, Susan Cullen, Lori Prymak, Dave Schmitz, William Vonder Haar Agatha Wilke & Ed O'Melia.

Absent: Dawn Frost & Joe Mailloux (arrived @ 7:07)

David C. Mango, Superintendent, Timothy Havlusch School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Debbi Grigoletti Director of Curriculum, Israel Marmolejos Principal of GMMS, and Kathy Gesurmaria Shared Director of Special Services were also present.

There was also approximately 45 member of the public in attendance.

At this time it was announced that the agenda would proceed out of order due to some of the items on the agenda and proceed directly to the Superintendent's Report.

Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent provided the Board and public with an update on various topics:

- ✓ The public was updated on open houses within Great Meadows and at Hackettstown High School. Also included was an update on the upcoming College Fair scheduled to take place at HHS.
- ✓ The public was updated on the transition and movement of the Willow Grove students to the Central /GMMS campus. The Superintendent congratulated all those involved that made the inclusion of those displaced Willow Grove students as seamless and inclusive as possible.
- ✓ The public was reminded of the upcoming date for the presentation of the feasibility study being prepared by former Commission of Education for the State of New Jersey, David Hespe. It was also noted and emphasized that while the presentation of the report and its findings would be made as part of a joint meeting on November 21st, there would be decision made or no action taken related to the report at that meeting.
- ✓ Congratulations were offered to the students that provide summer help to the staff during the recess. It was pointed out what a great job they accomplished relating to all of the improvements and painting within the buildings.
- ✓ Girl Scout Presentation of a bench

At this point the following motion was made.

- ✓ Presentation of PARCC scoring results
- ✓ Presentation of GATE program for 17-18 School year.
- ✓ The Superintendent announced that at the next regular scheduled meeting the Student of the Month Awards for September and October would be made.

This concluded the Superintendent's report.

Correspondence

Correspondence was read that announced the immediate resignation of Ed O'Melia from the position of GM representative to the Hackettstown Board of Education. At this time a motion was made by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Joe Mailloux to appoint Lori Prymak as the GM representative to the Hackettstown Board of Education.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Minutes

Motion by Ed O'Melia, seconded by Dave Schmitz to approve the minutes from August 22nd, 2017. (Regular & Executive Session)

Motion carried in a voice vote with Lori Prymak, William Vonder Haar and Agatha Wilke abstaining.

Committee Reports

The Education committee commented on working towards having the same format for the preparation of curriculum.

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Public Comment – Agenda Items Only

There were no comments at this time.

Close of Public Comment