

**GREAT MEADOWS REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education was held on Tuesday, January 28, 2014 at the Great Meadows Middle School, Independence Township. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Joe Mailloux, Vice 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: Joe Mailloux, Lori Prymak, Glenn Sullivan, Susan Cullen, William Vonder Haar and David Schmitz.

Absent: Fred Miller and Ed O'Melia.

David Mango, Superintendent, and Julie Mumaw, Business Administrator were also present.

There were ten members of the public in attendance.

Motion by Susan Cullen, seconded by William Vonder Haar, to approve the minutes from December 19, 2013 and January 6, 2014.

Motion carried in a voice vote with Miller abstaining.

Motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by David Schmitz, to accept the Financial Report of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month ending December 31, 2013 as per copy attached, and to certify that as of December 31, 2013 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 roll call vote.

Motion by David Schmitz, seconded by Glenn Sullivan to approve the General Fund bills from December 17, 2103 to January 28, 2014 in the amount of \$3,081,559.16.

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Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by David Schmitz, seconded by William Vonder Haar, to approve the cafeteria bills from December 18, 2013 to January 28, 2014 in the amount of \$ 17,619.51.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Committee Reports - David Schmitz gave a preliminary report on the 2014-2015 budget. Two of the big items that the district would like to see in the budget are generators and technology upgrades.

Israel Marmolejos, Middle School Principal gave a presentation on the mid-year HIB and EVVR report.

David Mango, Superintendent, gave the Superintendent's Report that updated the Board on the Hackettstown High School Principal interview process. He also stated that Robin Meehan, NJSBA Representative, will be attending the February meeting to update the BOE on the completed Strategic Plan.

Public Comment: Geoff Cullen wanted to know why two policies, up for second reading, were not posted on the district website. He also wanted to know why the policies were not posted when the agenda is posted in order for interested public to read them. Policies are posted on the website after the BOE has approved them. Interested parties can request the policy from the Central Office.

13.1 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Lori Prymak, seconded by David Schmitz, to approve the following **PERSONNEL/CURRICULUM** items 13.1.1. to 13.1.8.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

13.1.1 Approve Chris Black, Special Education teacher @ GMMS, as a Homebound Instructor for a 7th gr. student effective January 13, 2014, through June 30, 2014.

13.1.2 Accept, with regret, the retirement of **Elizabeth Hart**, Wellness teacher at Central School, effective June 30, 2014.

13.1.3 Accept, with regret, the retirement **Linda O'Connor**, GMMS Media Specialist, effective June 30, 2014.

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13.1.4 Acknowledge the receipt of the Superintendent's HIB incidents report

13.1.5 Approve Gloria Cologna as a substitute teacher for the Great Meadows Regional SD during the 2013-2014 school year.

13.1.6 Approve Andrienne Larsen as the maternity leave teacher for Melissa Benbrook, 1st gr., effective February 10, 2014, through June 30, 2014, at \$51,665.00, Step 1 BA, prorated to \$24,540.85.

13.1.7 Approve Jen Koster as a mentor for Adrienne Larsen effective February 10, 2014, at a monthly rate of \$55 not to exceed \$550.00.

13.1.8 Approve Taryn Hallowell as a substitute teacher in the Great Meadows Regional SD during the 2013-2014 school year.

13.2 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by David Schmitz, seconded by Lori Prymak, to approve the following **FINANCE** items 13.2.1 to 13.2.7.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

13.2.1 Approve a Special Education Contract between Hunterdon County ESC and GMRSD for one student from December 3, 2013 through June 30, 2014 at a cost of \$ 26,705.00.

13.2.2 Approve the Agreement for Consolidation of Child Nutrition Programs between GMRSD and WCSSSD for the 2013-2014 school year.

13.2.3 Approve a Home Instruction Contract between GMRSD and Lighthouse for one (1) high school student for ten hours of home instruction per week at a rate of \$40/hr. for the period January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014. Estimated cost is \$9,600.00.

13.2.4 Approve stipends for the following personnel who are PSD aides at Mountain Villa School in Allamuchy:

Lynn Quinto - 1/20/14 - MLK Day (student contact) daily rate: \$29.59

Jeannie Tagliareni - 1/20/14 - MLK Day (student contact) daily rate: \$82.88

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13.2.5 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. Substitute teacher cost comes from Title IIA Grant.

PERSONNEL	WORKSHOP	COST	DATES
\$Sheila Castanien	Read/Write Conf	\$160.85	3/28/2014
\$Casey Pach	Read/Write Conf	\$188.33	3/28/2014
\$Dawn Hull	Read/Write Conf	\$176.35	3/28/2014
\$Patricia Kemper	Child Neurology	\$211.55	3/17/2014
Mike Hann	PARCC & Beyond	\$180.00	2/21/2014
William Nutt	NJ -Gifted	\$160.00	3/07/2014

13.2.6 Approve the following transfers:

From 11-000-100-566-000-000 Tuition Private School
To 11-000-100-563-000-000 Tuition VoTech Out of County
\$9,972.00. Additional students attending Vo Tech 13-14.

13.2.7 Adopt and approve the Sidebar Agreement, dated January 16, 2014, between the Great Meadows Regional Board of Education and the Great Meadows Regional Education Association.

13.3 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Lori Prymak, to approve the following **POLICY COMMITTEE** items 13.3.1 to 13.3.2.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote with Susan Cullen voting no to Policy #3374 (Second Reading).

Motion by Susan Cullen, seconded by William Vonder Haar to table the following motions:

Policy #7522 - School District Provided Technology Devices to Staff Members

Policy #7523 - School District Provided Technology Devices to Pupils

Motion carried in a voice vote: 5 ayes, and one abstention (Glenn Sullivan).

13.3.1 Approve the 1st reading of the following bylaws,

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policies, and regulation:

ByLaw #0000.02 - Introduction
ByLaw #0132 - Executive Authority
Policy #2431 - Athletic Competition (M)
Regulation #2431.2 - Medical Examination to Determine Fitness
for Participation in Athletics. For grades 6 to 8.
Policy #5120 - Assignment of Pupils

13.3.2 Approve the 2nd reading and adoption of the following
bylaws, policies, and regulations:

Policy #2625 - Speech and Language Screening
Policy #3144.3 - Suspension Upon Certification of Tenure
Charge
Policy #3230 - Outside Activities
Regulation #3230 - Outside Activities
Policy #3232 - Tutoring Services
Regulation #3232 - Tutoring Services
Regulation #3281 - Inappropriate Staff Conduct
Policy #3372 - Teaching Staff member Tenure Acquisition
Policy #3373 - Tenure Upon Transfer or Promotion
Policy #3374 - Tenure Upon Transfer to an Underperforming
School
Policy #4230 - Outside Activities
Regulation #4230 - Outside Activities
Regulation #4281 - Inappropriate Staff Conduct
Policy #5117 - Interdistrict Public School Choice
Regulation #5117 - Interdistrict Public School Choice
Policy #5300 - Use of Defibrillator(s)
Regulation #5300 - Automated External Defibrillators (AEDS)
Regulation #5512 Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying
Investigation Procedure
Policy #6163 - Advertising on School Property
Policy #6480 - Purchase of Food Supplies
Policy #7434 - Smoking on School Grounds (M)
Policy #8505 - School Nutrition (M)

13.4 Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, motion by
William Vonder Haar, seconded by David Schmitz, to approve the
following **BUILDINGS/GROUNDS/TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** item
13.4.1.

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

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13.4.1 Approve the 2013-2014 Bus Routes for the Great Meadows Regional School District. They will be available for your perusal.

Public Comment: A parent asked if the day that the district was closed due to illness will need to be made up. Yes, it will need to be made up if the district goes over the allotted four days built into the schedule.

New Business:

Motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by William Vonder Haar, to approve the following motion:

Motion carried in a unanimous roll call vote.

Approve the donation of a used desk, if one is available, to Chief Dennis Riley of the Independence Township Police Department.

Motion by William Vonder Haar, seconded by David Schmitz to approve the following motion:

Motion carried in a roll call vote with Prymak voting no.

Approve the mentorship of Colleen Schubert, Central School Teacher, by Ernest Batha, Central School Principal in order for her to complete the requirements for her Master's Degree from Seton Hall University.

William Vonder Haar would like the Board to further discuss on a policy level, the closure of the district due to illness on January 17, 2014. He, also, requested that the BOE had ethics training and also training on the Superintendent evaluation process.

Motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Glenn Sullivan, whereas, the Board must consider matters involving personnel and negotiations, 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 7:57 PM to discuss the above mentioned matters, 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.

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Motion by Bill Vonder Haar, seconded by Joe Mailloux to reenter regular session at 9:35 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Joe Mailloux, seconded by Bill Vonder Haar, to adjourn at 9:38 PM.

Motion carried in a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Mumaw
Board Secretary