## GREEN BROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2013 7:00 P.M.

<u>MEETING CALLED TO ORDER</u>- The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mr. James Benscoter, Board President in the Green Brook Middle School Media Center.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Observed by all present.

## STATEMENT OF OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Mr. Gregory Brennan, Business Administrator/Board Secretary read the following statement: The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Green Brook Township Public School District of Somerset County has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the Green Brook Township Clerk's Office and the Courier News. This notice was faxed to the above on January 8, 2013, and posted in the Green Brook Middle School and the Irene E. Feldkirchner Elementary School.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mr. Benscoter

Mr. Binder Mr. Brault Ms. Couch Mr. Humphrey Mr. Martins Ms. Piccirilli

Absent: Ms. Maillaro

Mr. Petrillo

Administrators

Present: Dr. Richard Labbe, Superintendent

Mr. Gregory Brennan, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- 2012-2013 Student Growth Percentiles (SGP)
- Strategic Action Plan Update
- Budget Calendar Update

## **Staff Coverage for November**

Number of Substitute Days 102.5 Number of Substitutes 19

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Cost of Substitutes \$8,422.43

Number of Staff Coverage Periods 31

Cost of Staff Coverage \$1,054.00

**Staff Attendance for November** 

Administration 100% Facilities & Operations 97% Teachers 97% Aides 96%

Transportation 98% Office Personnel 94%

Motion to add the Addendum to the Agenda:

Moved by: Mr. Brault Seconded by: Mr. Martins

Roll Call Vote. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

### **MINUTES**

Motion to approve the following Minutes:

Moved by: Mr. Brault Seconded by: Mr. Martins

Agenda/Business Meeting Monday, October 28, 2013

Workshop Meeting Monday, November 11, 2013

Agenda/Business Meeting Monday, November 25, 2013

Roll Call Vote. Ms. Piccirilli abstained from October 28, 2013 Minutes and Mr. Binder abstained from November 11, 2013 Minutes. Motion carried.

## **FINANCE/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

Motion to approve Finance & Operations Items A − Q:

Moved by: Mr. Martins Seconded by: Mr. Brault

Roll Call Vote. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

**A.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the bills for December in the following amounts for the 2013-2014 school year:

Fund 11 1,199,118.85 Fund 20 1,236.96

Total 1,200,355.81

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**B.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following resolution for the 2013-2014 school year:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received the <u>attached</u> reports of the treasurer and secretary for the month of September, and

WHEREAS, these reports show the following balances on October 31, 2013:

WHEREAS, in compliance with N.J.A.C.6:20-2A.10(d) the secretary has certified that, as of the date of the reports, no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education,

FUND -	CASH BALANCE	APPROPRIATION	FUND BALANCE
		BALANCE	
(10) General Current			
Expense Fund			
(11)Current Expense	\$3,609,115.86	\$22,717,396.37	\$19,020,364.97
(12)Capital Outlay			
(20)Special Revenue			
Fund	\$224,540.50	\$289,228.97	\$310,613.22
(30)Capital Projects			
Fund	\$283,589.83	\$840.00	\$514,880.89
(40)Debt Service Fund	\$366,288.49	\$1,357,675.00	\$1,378,795.85
TOTAL	\$4,483,534.68	\$24,365,140.34	\$21,224,654.93

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the above referenced reports and certification, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, in compliance with N.J.A.C.6:20-2A.10(e), the Board of Education certifies that, after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriation section), to the best of its knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6:20-2A.10(a)(1), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the year.

- **C.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the transfers for October 1, 2013 through October 31, 2013.
- **D.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the disbursements for the following payroll period for the 2013-2014 school year:

November 30, 2013

\$424,525.40

- **E.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval to designate Monday, January 6, 2014 as the 2014 Board of Education Reorganization Meeting at 7pm in the Green Brook Middle School Media Center.
- **F.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval to contract with Industrial Appraisal Company to conduct an on-site inspection and appraisal of the buildings, site improvements, fixed equipment and movable equipment for the amount of \$3,440.00, for the 2013 -2014 school year.
- **G.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following workshops and mileage reimbursements for the 2013-2014 school year, as follows:

<b>Employee</b>	<u>Date</u>	Workshop/Meeting	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Cost</u>
A. Berger	3-21-14	Symposium for Speech	\$140	178.6	\$55.37
		Language Specialists			
G. Brennan	1-30/31-14	Techspo		224	\$69.44
		Registration:	\$385.00		
		Hotel:	\$109.00		
T. Charleston	1-30/31-14	Techspo		224	\$69.44
		Registration:	\$385.00		
		Hotel:	\$109.00		
P. Guevara	1-30/31-14	Techspo		224	\$69.44
		Registration:	\$385.00		
		Hotel:	\$109.00		
L. Hauser	1-31-14	Adaptive P.E. for Students	\$100.00		
		with Special Needs – Grades			
		K-8			
R. Labbe	1-30/31-14	Techspo		224	\$69.44
		Registration:	\$385.00		
		Hotel:	\$109.00		
M. Silver	3-07-14	23 <sup>rd</sup> Annual NJAGC	\$189.99		
		Conference			

**H.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following chaperones for the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade class trip to Williamsburg, Virginia, from June 4, 2014 through June 6, 2014, at a cost to the Board as referenced below, for the 2013-2014 school year:

<b>Employee</b>	<u>Title</u>	Per Night	<b>Total</b>
L. Pollard	Principal	\$200	\$400
C. Seracka	Nurse	\$175	\$350
K. Eppinger	Teacher	\$150	\$300
R. Esposito	Teacher	\$150	\$300
C. Fox	Teacher	\$150	\$300
D. McFadden	Teacher	\$150	\$300

P. McNamara	Teacher	\$150	\$300
M. Miller	Teacher	\$150	\$300
M. Silver	Teacher	\$150	\$300
K. Smith	Teacher	\$150	\$300
M. Tufaro	Teacher	\$150	\$300
K. Weeks	Teacher	\$150	\$300
C. Wetzel	Teacher	\$150	\$300

**I.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval to rescind the following stipend assignments, effective January 2, 2014, for the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>	<b>Personnel</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> –Grade Co-Advisor	GBMS	Sandra Stanton
Gym Night Co-Supervisor	District	Timothy Charleston

- **J.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of Carolyn Seracka to perform the duties of the stipend position, 8<sup>th</sup>-Grade Co-Advisor, effective January 2, 2014, for the 2013-2014 school year.
- **K.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of Rosario R. Trifiletti, MD PhD, LLC., to perform a Pediatric Neurological Evaluation for the Green Brook Township School District, at a cost of \$300.00, for the 2013-2014 school year.
- **L.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following class trip, at no cost to the Board of Education, for the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Grade</u>
March 10, 2014	Raritan Valley Theater	4
	Somerville, NJ	

- **M.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the Green Brook School District FY14 Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for the 2013-2014 school year.
- N. The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the M-1, Annual Maintenance Budget Amount Worksheet, for the 2013-2014 school year.
- **O.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval to approve and accept the recommendations made by the auditors in the 2012-2013 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, and as approved in the 2013-2014 school year.
- P. The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval for Middlesex County Educational Services Commission to provide home December 9, 2013

- instruction for a student from the Irene E. Feldkirchner Elementary School, currently in Children's Specialized Hospital, New Brunswick, New Jersey, at a rate of \$63 per hour, from an effective date of December 2, 2013 to a date to be determined, for the 2013-2014 school year.
- **Q.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval for Cerebral Palsy League to provide home instruction for a student from the Jardine Academy, at a rate of \$60 per hour, from an effective date of December 2, 2013 to a date to be determined, for the 2013-2014 school year.

## **EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT/POLICY**

## Motion to approve Educational Development/Policy Items A – C:

Moved by: Ms. Couch Seconded by: Mr. Martins

## Roll Call Vote. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

**A.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following after-school club, at no cost to the Board of Education, for the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>Club</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Chess Club	Grs. 1 - 4	January-June 2014

**B.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the Second Reading of the following Policies, for the 2013-2014 school year: (See Attachments)

## **Policy No.:**

3144.12	Certification of Tenure Charges – Inefficiency (M) (New)
3144.3	Suspension Upon Certification of Tenure Charge (New)
3372	Teaching Staff Member Tenure Acquisition (New)
3373	Tenure Upon Transfer or Promotion (New)

**C.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the December 2013 HIB Report, including any recommendations for action provided by the Superintendent for the 2013-2014 school year.

## PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS

#### Motion to approve Personnel & Negotiations Items A – G:

Moved by: Mr. Martins Seconded by: Mr. Binder

Roll Call Vote. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

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**A.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following named individual to serve as a substitute secretary, in the Green Brook Township School District, at a daily rate of \$74.41, for the 2013-2014 school year.

### Jenny Coelho

- **B.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of David Paltjon to serve as Supervisor of Building and Grounds/Part-Time Custodian (.5 FTE), for the Green Brook Township School District, from January 1 through June 30, 2014, at a salary of \$16,337, which includes a boiler license stipend in the amount of \$325, for the 2013-2014 school year.
- C. The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of Dana Sweeney to serve as a Social Studies Teacher in the Green Brook Middle School, replacing Sandra Stanton, effective January 2, 2014, Step 1, Level BA, at an annual salary of \$29,784.00, adjusted to \$29,535.80, prorated, for the 2013-2014 school year. (See Attachment)
- **D.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval for Emergent Hiring Pending Completion of Criminal History Check and applicant attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1 et seq., N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq., or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq., as applicable for the 2013-2014 school year, for the following personnel:

## Dana Sweeney

**E.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following named individual to serve as a substitute teacher, in the Green Brook Township School District, at a daily rate of \$85.00, for the 2013-2014 school year.

#### Linda Chehade (county/renewal)

**F.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following personnel transfer, effective January 2, 2014, for the 2013-2014 school year:

From To
Patricia Toscano IEF GBMS

**G.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following named individual to serve as a substitute teacher, in the Green Brook Township School District, at a daily rate of \$85.00, for the 2013-2014 school year.

Dana Sweeney (permanent)

# **BOARD MEETING DATES**

Reorganization Meeting Monday, January 6, 2014

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM.

Moved by: Mr. Binder Seconded by: Mr. Martins

**Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.** 

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory E. Brennan SBA/Board Secretary