# GREEN BROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2015 7:00 P.M.

<u>MEETING CALLED TO ORDER</u>- The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Mr. Bruce Martins, 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 insure 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 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 **November 25**, **2015** and posted in the Green Brook Middle School and the Irene E. Feldkirchner School.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mr. Azzarello

Mr. Benscoter Ms. Connors Ms. Couch Mr. Humphrey Mr. Martins Ms. Piccirilli

Absent: Mr. Brault

Mr. Thomas-Hooke

Administrators

Present: Mr. Kevin Carroll, Superintendent

Mr. Gregory Brennan, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

## **BOARD CANDIDATES**

- Dave Breen
- Arthur Goodman
- Allan Pincus
- Janine Potter

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- 2014-2015 Audit: Steven J. McDermott, CPA RMA PSA CMFO, Suplee, Clooney & Company
- 2016-2017 Budget Overview, Gregory Brennan and Kevin Carroll

• Policy Updates

• Enrollment

 IEF
 459

 GBMS
 446

 WHRHS
 447

 Total
 1,352

• Staff Coverages for November

Number of Substitute Days 64

Number of Substitutes 16 Cost of Substitutes \$6,167.50

Number of Staff Coverage Periods 15 Cost of

Staff Coverage \$540.00

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. James Benscoter's letter of resignation from the Board of Education

## **FINANCE/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

Chair – Bruce Martins

Members – John Azzarello, John Brault & Lisa Couch

## The Superintendent recommends and I so move resolution A - K:

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

#### 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 2015-2016 school year:

Fund 10: \$ 988,921.46 Fund 20: \$ 28,374.81 Fund 60: \$ 57,948.63

Total: \$1,075,244.90

- **B.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the transfers for October 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.
- **C.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following resolution for the 2015-2016 school year:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has received the attached reports of the treasurer and secretary for the month of October and

WHEREAS, these reports show the following balances on October 31, 2015: 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 BALANCE	FUND BALANCE
(10) General Current Expense Fund			
(11)Current Expense	\$3,249,975.29	\$17,601,370.85	\$19,585,295.73
(12)Capital Outlay			
(20)Special Revenue Fund	\$131,038.42	\$267,600.46	\$225,779,22
(30)Capital Projects Fund	\$10,027.12	\$109,894.40	\$404,099.15
(40)Debt Service Fund	\$388,487.53	\$1,392,325.00	\$1,392,743.85
ГОТАL	\$3,779,528.36	\$19,371,190.71	\$21,607,917.95

**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.

**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 2015-2016 school year:

November 30, 2015 \$473,568.89

**E.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook to approve and accept the recommendations made by the auditing firm of Suplee, Clooney & Company in the 2014-2015 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, and as approved in the 2015-2016 school year.

- **F.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the tuition reimbursement to Carolyn Seracka for the 2014 fall course at Seton Hall University, Integrity Leadership, in the amount of \$1,986.00, and the 2015 spring course, Leadership in Healthcare Business, in the amount of \$1,986.00, for a total reimbursement in the amount of \$3,972.00, for the 2015-2016 school year.
- **G.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following trips, at a cost to the Board, for the 2015-2016 school year:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	Grade/Group	<u>Cost</u>
January 8, 2016	State House Annex Trenton	Grs. 7, 8 PGC Mini Model Congress	\$356.00
January 13, 2016	WHRHS	GBMS Singers	\$ 76.00

**H.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval to amend the November 23, 2015 resolution of the following trip, at a cost to the Board, for the 2015--2016 school year:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	Grade/Group	Cost
December 17, 2015	Rutgers Alexander Library New Brunswick, NJ	8th Grade	From: \$159.00 To: \$189.00

**I.** 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 2015-2016 school year:

Employee	Date	Workshop/Meeting	Cost	Mileage	Cost	Tolls
M. Appio E. Muglia B. VanPelt	1/21/2016	Responding to Student Needs: Writing Procedurally and Substantively Compliant IEPs	\$30.00	19.6	\$6.08 "	
J. Bigsby K. Carroll J. Weber	1/14/2016	NJSSC Seminar: Social Media/ Legal Decisions		37.6	11.66	
P. Ostrander	2/3/2016	Statewide PreSchool Nurses' Mtg.		84.40	\$26.15	\$1.50
G. Schaefer	2/22/16	2016 New Jersey Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (NJAHPERD) Annual Convention	\$110.00			

A. Vicendese 12/15/2015 AppleTech Upo	ate for Education	37	\$11.47	
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- **J.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval to accept out-of-district tuition Student # 6991466413 to attend the Green Brook Township School District's LEAD Program at the Green Brook Middle School in the amount of \$50,000, prorated, for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.
- **K.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of special education out-of-district school placement for student #8337809061 to attend Garden Academy, effective December 16, 2015, in the amount of \$57,489.06, for the 2015-2016 school year.

## EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT/POLICY

Chair – Maria Piccirilli

Members - Darlene Connors, John Brault & Wilton Thomas-Hooke

### The Superintendent recommends and I so move resolutions A - D:

Moved by: Ms. Couch Seconded by: Ms. Connors

#### 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 trip, at no cost to the Board, for the 2015-2016 school year:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	Grade/Group
January 28, 2016	Morris Museum Morristown, NJ	Gr. 3
January 29 2016	Morris Museum	Gr 3

**B.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the First Reading of the following Policies and Regulations, for the 2015-2016 school year:

P & R 1240	Evaluation of Superintendent (M) (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 3431.1	Family Leave (M) (Revised)		
P 4431.1	Family Leave (M) (Revised)		
P 5337	Service Animals (New)		
P 5516	Use of Electronic Communication and Recording Devices		
	(ECRD) (M) (Revised)		

**C.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the Second Reading of the following Policy, for the 2015-2016 school year:

## Policy No.

4433 Vacations (Support Staff)

**D.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the following after-school programs, at no cost to the Board of Education, for the 2015-2016 school year:

<u>Club</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Winter Gym Activities	2-4	January 12, 13, 14, 2016
Battle of the Books Club	5-8	January 15 – June 4, 2016
Winter Gym Activities	K-1	January 25, 26, 27, 2016

#### **PERSONNEL/NEGOTIATIONS**

Chair – Lisa Couch

Members – John Azzarello, Maria Piccirilli & Doug Humphrey

#### The Superintendent recommends and I so move resolutions 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 FMLA leave for Employee No. 0722, bus driver for the Green Brook Township School District, from December 18, 2015 through February 5, 2016, with employee entitled to additional FMLA leave through March 23, 2016, if deemed necessary by employee's physician, for the 2015-2016 school year.
- **B.** The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of the intermittent FMLA leave for Employee No. 0553, classroom aide in the Irene E. Feldkirchner Elementary School, effective December 4 through December 11, 2015, with additional FMLA days to be taken as needed, not to exceed a total of 12 weeks of FMLA leave, for the 2015-2016 school year.

**C.**The Superintendent recommends and I so move Board of Education of the Township of Green Brook approval of Celeste Ostry to serve as a substitute classroom aide in the Green Brook Township School District, at a daily rate of \$85.00, for the 2015-2016 school year.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

#### Motion to move into Executive Session at 9:45 PM

Moved by: Ms. Couch Seconded by: Ms. Connors

Whereas, the Board of Education must discuss subjects concerning personnel and other agenda matters such

as negotiations and the potential for litigation; and

Whereas, the aforesaid subjects are not appropriate subjects to be discussed in a public meeting; and

Whereas, the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed are within the exemptions which are permitted to be discussed and acted upon in private session pursuant to P.L. 1975, Chapter 231,

It is therefore Resolved, that the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in private session by the Board and administrative staff and information pertaining thereto will be made available to the public as soon thereafter as possible and once the reasons for nondisclosure no longer exist.

Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

**Board reconvened at 10:35PM** 

## **BOARD MEETING DATES**

Reorganization Meeting Wednesday, January 6, 2016

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 PM.

Moved by: Mr. Humphrey Seconded by: Mr. Azzarello

Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Gregory E. Brennan SBA/Board Secretary