

MINUTES OF BOARD WORKSHOP HELD SEPTEMBER 12, 2018

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Area School District met for the Board Workshop on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at 6:34 p.m., in the Lecture Hall of the Greenville High School. The following members were present: Charles Demarest, John Forbes, Lisa Holm, Mary Reames, Richard Rossi and Howard Scott. Absent: Laura Leskovac, Steve Lewis, and Dennis Webber.

Others present: Brian S. Tokar, Superintendent
 Bill McNamee, Interim Business Manager
 Brandon Mirizio, Business Manager
 Matt Dieter, Elementary Principal
 Joshua Stonebraker, Assistant Principal
 Dr. Jeff Keeling, High School Principal
 Mark Karpinski, Assistant Principal
 Connie Timashenka, K-12 Special Education Director

Staff present: None (0)
Visitors: One (1)
News media present: One (1)

1. Activities Committee
 - o First Semester Field Trip Requests
Brentwood Trip has been removed from original list
 - o Fall 2018 GHS Theatre Play Proposal
Mrs. Reames wants to know if there is going to be a Jr. High Play
 - o Spring 2019 Spring Musical Proposal
Mrs. Reames stated the musical is off cycle. It is every other year. The goal is for the musical to be self-funded.
 - o High School Band Trip to Washington DC – It is funded by Student/Booster – No cost to the district, pays for trip. Students will miss two days of school.
2. Athletic Committee – No Report
3. Mr. Demarest reviewed the Budget Committee
 - o Spending/income review for 17/18 and 18/19 – no change
 - o Act 1 index timeline not formalized but projected to be 2.3; the formula would cap the tax increase at 2.3 mills
 - o Request to change electric suppliers for a cost savings
 - o Budget process – target number – rather than wish list; use last year as a guide
 - o Safety grant – Possible Bus Radio Purchase Closing date – October 12th
4. Legislative Committee – No Report
5. Mercer County Career Center – No Report
6. Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV – No Report
7. Negotiations Committee Report – No Report
8. Policy Report – No Report – Next Meeting is September 28, 2018
9. Discussed Transportation Changes – Need to Add Bus 19

10. Discussed PSBA Officers and At-Large Representatives
11. Discussed Entrepreneurship Program at BC3 Tuition Requests - \$1000.00 each for 2 students
12. Discussed High School Course Sections with less than 10 students – There are 12 classes with less than 10 students.
13. Reviewed Private Tax Sales
14. Discussed Independent Studies
15. Discussed Authorizing the Business Manager to be the Liaison for Act 511 Tax Collection
16. Discussed Approving the Proposal from Reschini Group to Assist with Employer Reporting Under the Affordable Care Act
17. Reviewed the Bus Radio Proposal from Westcom Wireless – They will honor the radio rebate.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Tokar stated that Homecoming has been delayed 1 week to October 12th. Charlie Demarest stated floats would look that much better.

Mr. Rossi asked about the abandoned house. Mr. Tokar is checking on the foreclosure and the tax sale. House is condemned. Mr. Tokar will look into.

Mr. Dieter stated that Open House at the Greenville Elementary School was well attended. They had a great turn out. Picture day went very well. Mr. Dieter stated that Thiel Sigma Sorority has collaborated with Greenville Elementary School and is giving a book and a snack to every elementary student.

Mrs. Reames said one of the Fraternities at Thiel is also working on a Read Across America program and they want to work with Greenville Elementary School.

Mr. Stonebraker talked about the School Wide Positive Behavior Program. They had a fashion show and handed out water bottles and bags. The teachers modeled hats and bags. He has been busy making attendance phone calls. Enjoyed visiting with the families at open house.

Mr. Dieter stated that Mr. Stonebraker is an excellent addition to our staff.

Dr. Keeling said the High School Open House and Meet the Trojans went very well. Fall Sports is in full swing. Dr. Keeling and Mr. Karpinski are working well together. The Walberg's Pharmacy donated water to the High School last week when it was so hot.

Mr. Karpinski talked that maybe next year, 7th grade orientation, high school open house and meet the Trojans will all be on the same night.

Mrs. Timashenka stated there were a lot of move in and transfer out of SPED students. 20 additional special education students. 516 new 504 plans completed and given to principals to review.

Mr. Dieter 67 kindergarteners.

HEARING OF VISITORS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:10 p.m., the board adjourned to executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.



Amy Thurber
Acting Board Secretary