

MINUTES  
Greenbush School Committee-Budget Meeting  
Wednesday, March 21, 2018 @ 7:00 PM  
Helen S. Dunn School

- I. Opening @ 7:07 PM
    - A. Call to Order
    - B. Declaration of Quorum:
      - 1. Mike Williams, Chr. X, A. Wood, Vice-Chr. X, K.McCrum(Ex),  
Matt Speed X, Heather Patten X
      - 2. Others Present: Gwen Smith
    - C. Flag Salute
  - II. A. Approval of Minutes – February 28, 2018
    - Moved: HP                      Second: AW                      Vote: 4/0/0
  - III. Recognition
  - IV. Spotlight on Learning - Grades 3-5 has planned daily “brain breaks” for students during MEA testing. The students are enjoying this experience very much.
  - V. Public Participation – Eighth Grade student Austyn Moores submitted a letter to the board in opposition of Proficiency Based grading. The board commends the student for actively participating in this process and directed the Superintendent to provide the student with Legislative contacts since this work is mandated by the Legislature and the Supt. and the Board are required to follow the law.
  - VI. Educational Reports
    - A. Finance - Budget Proposal discussion and planning for FY19 took place and the board directed to Superintendent to make changes and bring an updated draft to the April board meeting.
- Recommended Action:** to increase the substitute rate of pay beginning Jan. 1, 2019 to \$72.00/day to remain compliant with the minimum wage law.
- Moved: MS                      Second: HP                      Vote: 4/0/0
  - B. Principal – The Principal’s Report was distributed, which includes PreK through Grade 12 enrollment, “BeeHavior” Role Models and Student of the Month recipients. Students in Grades 3-8 are participating in MEA testing.

Safety Update – The Penobscot County Sheriff’s Office assisted us in our annual Evacuation drill and Lockdown Drill on Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. We have one more lockdown and four more fire drills to complete by the end of the school year. A bomb threat came to our attention on March 19<sup>th</sup> which was posted via Facebook on March 6<sup>th</sup>. The State Police determined that no change in schedule was warranted with the threat made 13 days prior. The Superintendent suspended the student on March 19<sup>th</sup> and the State Police are fulfilling the obligations of the law.

C. Special Education-Enrollment is included on the Principal’s Report.

VII. Committee Reports

VIII. Items that may require Board Action

A. Superintendent’s Add-ons: SMLC Discussion - Does the Board authorize and approve the participation of Greenbush Public Schools in the Southern Penobscot Regional Program for Children with Exceptionalities’ Part II application to be approved as a School Management and Leadership Center pursuant to 20-A M.R.S. Chapter 123, with the intent that upon the Commissioner of Education’s approval of the Part II application that the Board shall vote to approve an interlocal agreement and cooperative agreement that are consistent with the interlocal agreement submitted with the Part II application?

Motion to not participate in Round II of the SMLC application. The Greenbush School Committee is not joining an SMLC at this time.

Moved: MS                      Second: HP                      Vote: 4/0/0

IX. Policy Approval

**Recommended action: Motion to approve for adoption**

ADAA – Ethical & Responsible Behavior

ADC-R – Tobacco Use & Possession

BBAA – Policy-School Committee Members

BBA – Law-School Committee Members

BBA-Policy-School Committee Powers & Responsibilities

BIC – Freedom of Access Training

Moved: MS                      Second: AW                      Vote: 4/0/0

Review of E policies – tabled until next month

Moved: MS                      Second: AW                      Vote: 4/0/0

- X. Superintendent's Report (s)
  - A. Resignations – Lana St. Cyr, Head Cook, effective 3/2/2018  
Amanda Roy, Middle School ELA, effective end of school year
  - B. Retirements - none
  - C. Meetings - UTC Advisory, Penquis, SPRPCE, and high school meetings
  - D. New Hires – The kitchen position is subbed for the remainder of the year.
  - E. Other – A written Legislative Update was distributed; Mrs. Kostusyk, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, will begin maternity leave following the April break.
- XI. Chairman's Report – Chairman Williams has an upcoming MSBA Regional meeting on Saturday, March 24, 2018.
- XII. Workshop Discussion
- XIII. Other
- XIV. Next monthly meeting date: Wednesday, April 4, 2018 @ 7:00 PM
- XV. Adjournment

Moved: MS                      Time: 8:55 PM

*Pursuant to Title 26 M.R.S.A. ss965C, the Greenbush School Board hereby specifically requests of bargaining agents within the Greenbush School Department Education System that said agents meet and consult on educational policies which are part or may become part of this agenda.*