

**GREATER JOHNSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Board of Education Business Meeting**  
**August 14, 2008**  
**Johnstown High School**

I. Called to order by President Curtis at 7:29 p.m.

ATTENDEES:

John David Praught	Russell Martin	Leslie Buggeln-Bosworth
Joanne Freeman	Robert Kosowicz	Robert Curtis

ABSENT:

James Levin	Susanne Fitzgerald	Scott Miller
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OTHERS:

Katherine Sullivan, Superintendent      Larraina Carpenter, District Clerk

II. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS**

*"In accordance with its practice, the Board of Education of the Greater Johnstown School District does not permit oral comments from the public relating to specific personnel decisions regarding individuals employed by the District during the portion of its meeting where the Board permits public comment. Members of the public are welcome to send questions, comments or concerns regarding these or other matters to the Board in writing."*

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Motion by Mr. Praught seconded by Mrs. Freeman to approve the minutes of the Board of Education meetings held on July 10, 2008 and July 24, 2008.*

VOTE:              6   YES              0   NO

IV. **MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE EMPLOYMENT HISTORY OF A PARTICULAR PERSON**

*Motion by Mr. Praught seconded by Mr. Kosowicz to go to executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular person at 7:31 p.m.*

VOTE:              6   Yes              0   No

V. **MOTION TO RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION**

*Motion by Mr. Praught seconded by Mr. Kosowicz to reconvene in public session at 8:00 p.m.*

VOTE:              6   Yes              0   No

VI. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- Mrs. Sullivan announced that, per the most recent School District Report Card, all of the Greater Johnstown School District's schools are in good standing. She provided a handout to Board members and advised that Patricia Kilburn, District Director of Curriculum, Testing & Personnel, will provide a full report to the Board at the September meeting.

VII. **BUSINESS ITEMS**

A. **PERSONNEL**

1. **Separations**
2. **Leaves of Absence**
3. **Abolishments**



**g. Casual Employment Opportunities 2008/09 School Year**

*Motion by Mr. Martin seconded by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the attached list for the Casual Employment Opportunities for the 2008/09 school year:*

<i>Denise Benton</i>	<i>Lynne Billington</i>	<i>Craig Blowers</i>
<i>Gloria Bruno</i>	<i>Suzanne Canfield</i>	<i>Jim Donovan</i>
<i>Roseann Duross</i>	<i>Clint Froschauer</i>	<i>Nancy Gill</i>
<i>Scott Hale</i>	<i>Susan Hansen</i>	<i>Andrew Jablonski</i>
<i>Scott Jeffers</i>	<i>Jon Jennings</i>	<i>Claudia Jurica</i>
<i>Jeffrey Kincheloe</i>	<i>Bob Kraemer</i>	<i>Eric Laugen</i>
<i>Deana Lenz</i>	<i>Hanz Litz</i>	<i>Judy Loucks</i>
<i>Kayla Miller</i>	<i>Debbie Miller</i>	<i>Melissa Miles</i>
<i>James Morton</i>	<i>Mark Ralbovsky</i>	<i>Jennifer Rockwell</i>
<i>William G. Roth (Gregg)</i>	<i>Phillip Satterlee</i>	<i>Patricia St. Peter</i>
<i>John St. Peter</i>	<i>Chris Swatt</i>	<i>Ron Savoie</i>
<i>Steve Smith</i>	<i>Colleen Tabor</i>	<i>Dylan Thomarie</i>
<i>Kathryn Zayicek</i>		

VOTE:              6   YES                              0   NO

**A. COOPERATIVE CANNED FOOD BID #09-02**

*Motion by Mr. Praught seconded by Mr. Kosowicz to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent, to award the Cooperative Canned Food Bid #09-02 to Quandt's, Ginsberg's, Nardone and US Food Services, as the lowest, qualified, responsible bidders, as seen in addendum #1.*

VOTE:              6   YES                              0   NO

**B. SNACK & FRUIT DRINK BID #09-03**

*Motion by Mr. Praught seconded by Mr. Kosowicz to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent, to award the Snack & Fruit Drink Bid #09-03 to Quandt's, Ginsberg's, Descrencente, and Coca Cola, as the lowest, qualified, responsible bidders, as seen in addendum #2.*

VOTE:              6   YES                              0   NO

**C. FRESH PIZZA BID #09-04**

*Motion by Mr. Praught seconded by Mr. Kosowicz to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent, to award the Fresh Pizza Bid #09-04 to Pizza Hut, as the lowest, qualified, responsible bidder, as seen in addendum #3.*

VOTE:              6   YES                              0   NO

**D. MILK QUOTE**

*Motion by Mr. Praught seconded by Mr. Kosowicz to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent, to award the Milk Quote to Skiff's Dairy, as the lowest, qualified, responsible bidder, as seen in addendum #4.*

VOTE:              6   YES                              0   NO

**E. SCHOOL BUS LEASE 2008-09 SCHOOL YEAR**

*Board Member Mr. Praught presents the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Board Member Mr. Kosowicz:*

*WHEREAS, the Greater Johnstown School District Board of Education is responsible for providing bus transportation for students during each school year, and*



**b. Resignation of Frank Raspanti, Director of Special Education, Pupil Services and Special Programs**

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth seconded by Mr. Martin to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the resignation of Frank Raspanti, Director of Special Education, Pupil Services and Special Programs, effective end of day August 27, 2008.*

VOTE:            6 YES                            0 NO

**c. Resignation of Charlene Dybas, Business Teacher**

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth seconded by Mr. Martin to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the resignation of Charlene Dybas, Business teacher, effective August 28, 2008.*

VOTE:            6 YES                            0 NO

**2. Leaves of Absence**

**3. Abolishments**

**4. Creations/Appointments/Adjustments**

**a. Probationary Appointment of Scott Chamberlain, Mathematics Teacher**

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth seconded by Mr. Martin to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the three-year probationary appointment of Scott Chamberlain, as mathematics teacher, in the mathematics tenure area, at Step A1 (\$37,434) of the collective bargaining agreement with the Johnstown Teachers' Association, from September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2011.*

VOTE:            6 YES                            0 NO

**b. Probationary Appointment of Stephanie Bordis, School Counselor**

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth seconded by Mr. Martin to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the three-year probationary appointment of Stephanie Bordis, as school counselor, in the school counselor tenure area, at Step C1 (\$39,570) of the collective bargaining agreement with the Johnstown Teachers' Association, from September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2011.*

VOTE:            6 YES                            0 NO

**c. Term Appointment of Sandra Anadio, Extended Leave Substitute Elementary Teacher**

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth seconded by Mr. Martin to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the term appointment of Sandra Anadio, as extended leave substitute elementary teacher, at Step C1 (\$39,570 prorated) of the collective bargaining agreement with the Johnstown Teachers' Association, from September 1, 2008 through January 30, 2009.*

VOTE:            6 YES                            0 NO

d. **Term Appointment of Deana Senzio, Extended Leave Substitute Teacher Assistant**

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth seconded by Mr. Martin to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the term appointment of Deana Senzio, as extended leave teacher assistant, at \$9.25 per hour for 7½ hours per day, effective August 28, 2008 until approximately December 12, 2008.*

VOTE:             6   YES                             0   NO

\*TABLED\*

e. **Term Appointments of Co-Curricular Staff**

*Motion by Mrs. Freeman seconded by Mr. Martin to **TABLE** the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve term appointments of the following individuals as co-curricular advisors for the 2008-2009 school year:*

<i>JHS Student Council Advisor, Judi Kane</i>	<i>\$2856.00</i>
<i>JHS Student Council Asst., Dylan Thomarie</i>	<i>\$1713.00</i>
<i>JHS International Club Advisor, Ronald Beck</i>	<i>\$2856.00</i>
<i>JHS International Club Asst., Deborah Miller</i>	<i>\$1713.00</i>
<i>JHS Yearbook Advisor, Thomas Skoda</i>	<i>\$3428.00</i>
<i>JHS Yearbook Ass't, Rebecca Bacon</i>	<i>\$1713.00</i>
<i>JHS SADD Advisor, Kathleen Smith</i>	<i>\$1143.00</i>
<i>SENIOR Class Advisor (2009), Deborah Miller</i>	<i>\$1713.00</i>
<i>SENIOR Class Advisor (2009), Ronald Beck</i>	<i>\$1713.00</i>
<i>JUNIOR Class Advisor (2010), Robin Farrell</i>	<i>\$1428.00</i>
<i>JUNIOR Class Advisor (2010), Rebecca Bacon</i>	<i>\$1428.00</i>
<i>MARCHING BAND Director, Daniel Jones</i>	<i>\$2856.00</i>
<i>MARCHING BAND Ass't 1, James Morton</i>	<i>\$1713.00</i>
<i>MARCHING BAND Ass't 2, Stacy McLean</i>	<i>\$1713.00</i>
<i>MARCHING BAND Ass't 3, Cassandra OBrien</i>	<i>\$1257.00</i>
<i>MARCHING BAND Ass't 4, Corrina Pelkey</i>	<i>\$857.00</i>
<i>WINTERGUARD Director, Daniel Jones</i>	<i>\$2285.00</i>
<i>WINTERGUARD Ass't, James Morton</i>	<i>\$1713.00</i>
<i>JAZZ BAND Director, Daniel Jones</i>	<i>\$1713.00</i>
<i>JHS Musical Director, James Morton</i>	<i>\$2571.00</i>
<i>JHS Musical Ass't Director, Daniel Jones</i>	<i>\$2000.00</i>
<i>Women's Chorale, James Morton</i>	<i>\$1485.00</i>
<i>JHS Play Director, James Morton</i>	<i>\$2571.00</i>
<i>JHS Play Asst. Director, Daniel Jones</i>	<i>\$2000.00</i>
<i>JHS Science Club Advisor, Tara Bruce</i>	<i>\$2571.00</i>
<i>JHS Post Prom Coordinator, Teresa Diviyak</i>	<i>\$1143.00</i>
<i>JHS Post Prom Coordinator, Leslie Buggeln-Bosworth</i>	<i>volunteer</i>
<i>JHS Honor Society Advisor, Meredith Fagan</i>	<i>\$857.00</i>
<i>JHS Key Club Advisor, Ruthie Cook</i>	<i>\$1143.00</i>

VOTE:             6   YES                             0   NO

f. **Term Appointments of Coaching Staff**

*Motion by Mr. Praught, seconded by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth, to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve term appointments of the following fall coaches for the 2008-2009 school year:*

<i>Thomas Nicholas, Football Assistant #7</i>	<i>\$1,600.00</i>
<i>Jon Valovic, Cross Country Assistant #1,</i>	<i>\$1,713.00</i>

VOTE:             6   YES                             0   NO

**g. NYSSMA Solo Festival Stipend for Daniel Jones**

*Motion by Mr. Praught seconded by Mrs. Freeman to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve a stipend of \$104 for Daniel Jones as a chaperone at the NYSSMA Solo Festival on May 30-31, 2008.*

VOTE:           6 YES                           0 NO

**h. NYSSMA Solo Festival Stipend for James Morton**

*Motion by Mr. Praught seconded by Mrs. Freeman to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve a stipend of \$104 for James Morton, as a chaperone at the NYSSMA Solo Festival on May 30-31, 2008.*

VOTE:           6 YES                           0 NO

**i. Probationary Appointment of Katie Catucci, English Teacher**

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth seconded by Mr. Kosowicz to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the probationary appointment of Katie Catucci, as English teacher, in the English tenure area, at Step A1 (\$37,434) of the collective bargaining agreement with the Johnstown Teachers' Association, effective September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2011.*

VOTE:           8 YES                           0 NO

**j. Probationary Appointment of James Morton, Music Teacher**

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth seconded by Mr. Kosowicz to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the probationary appointment of James Morton, as music teacher, in the music tenure area, pending NYS certification, at Step A2 (\$37,805) of the collective bargaining agreement with the Johnstown Teachers' Association, effective September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2011.*

VOTE:           6 YES                           0 NO

**k. Probationary Appointment of Jennifer Hall, Director of Special Education, Pupil Services and Special Programs**

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth seconded by Mr. Kosowicz to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the probationary appointment of Jennifer Hall, as Director of Special Education, Pupil Services and Special Programs, in the tenure area of Director of Special Education, Pupil Services and Special Programs, at a salary of \$66,560, in conjunction with the bargaining agreement of the Johnstown Administrators' Association, effective August 28, 2008 through August 27, 2011.*

VOTE:           6 YES                           0 NO

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – CSE, CPSE**

**1. Committee for Special Education**

*Motion by Mr. Kosowicz seconded by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth to approve the minutes of the Committee for Special Education meeting(s) held on 7/24/08 and 7/31/08:*

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000140326      000140329      000195284      000195299

VOTE:           6 YES                           0 NO

2. **Committee for Preschool Special Education**

*Motion by Mr. Kosowicz seconded by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth to approve the minutes of the Committee for Preschool Special Education meeting(s) held on 7/24/08:*

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VOTE: 6 YES

0 NO

C. **STUDENT MATTERS**

IX. **BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS**

- Mr. Curtis noted that Board of Education Committees will begin meeting in September.

X. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

XI. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

September 4, 2008	Facilities/Restructuring/Academic Committee	6 PM –6:30 PM
	Audit Committee	6:30PM – 7 PM
	Discussion Meeting	7 PM Public Session
		Johnstown High School
September 18, 2008	Extra Curricular Committee	6 PM – 6:30 PM
	Negotiations Committee	6:30-7 PM
	Business Meeting	7 PM Public Session
		Johnstown High School

XII. **MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE EMPLOYMENT HISTORY OF A PARTICULAR PERSON**

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth seconded by Mrs. Freeman to go to executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular person at 8:13 p.m.*

VOTE: 6 Yes 0 No

XIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth, seconded by Mrs. Freeman, to adjourn at 8:55 p.m.*

VOTE: 6 YES 0 NO

Respectfully submitted,

Larraina Carpenter,  
District Clerk