

**GREENE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**James W. Parham Central Office Complex**  
**May 31, 2018 – Called Meeting Minutes**

The Greene County Board of Education met in Called session Thursday, May 31, 2018, at 5:30p.m., at the James W. Parham Central Office Complex.

Chairman Rick Tipton called the meeting to order and noted that all Board members were present. The pledge was led by Tom Cobble and Nathan Brown led the Invocation.

III. New Business

A. Approve 2018-2019 Contract Renewal with Chartwells. (III-A)

David McLain – Noted that we had been guaranteed \$250,000 and the new contract guarantees \$190,000 and part of the difference is a decrease in students and schools no longer receiving funding from the CEP State Program. Dustin Burnette, Chartwells Food Service Director stated that three schools are coming off the CEP State Program and there may also be a decline of 20-25% in participation. The food service secretary will be proactive this summer and into the school year to assist in getting the free and reduced lunch applications out which will help.

On motion Made by Tom Cobble                      Seconded by Michelle Holt

**Vote: 7 – 0**

B. Approve 2018-2019 Food Service Budget. (VII-B)

On motion Made by Clark Justis                      Seconded by Brian Wilhoit

**Vote: 7 – 0**

Mary Lou Finley, Budget Director stated that the Food Service budget is a balanced budget and noted that the \$190,000 guaranteed amount is in the equipment line.

C. Discuss and possible approval of NGHS Cafeteria remodel. (III-C)

David McLain, if the school system does this there will have to be a Bid process since it is around \$300,000 and if it is done by Chartwells the funding process will be a little different so we may require more information to be brought back to the Board on the funding.

Chairman Rick Tipton asked if there was an exact amount on the funding. David Myers –presented the blueprints for a 15.5' x 20' modular building with a thirty (30) year warranty. This will add two lines to increase the efficiency of getting the kids through the line. All equipment will be new. The estimated cost would be \$329,766.28 and the use of a local architect could bring the number down.

Nathan Brown asked to clarify that we have around \$800,000 in fund balance that can only be used for food service and recommended that if so, then we take the money from there. David McLain confirmed that he was correct and that the Board would need to decide on how to move forward with the funding and see if Chartwells would prefer that it work through our funds or if they wanted to do it another way. Clark Justis added that those funds had been generated since Chartwells came so it needed to go back to food service. Chairman Tipton agreed that we take it from those funds and asked that Chartwells come to the next Board meeting with a presentation on how best to accomplish the funding for this. Kathy Austin asked if this plan was what Chartwells would recommend and if they were going to help fund any of it. Dustin Burnette-this was the best plan that they looked at and would solve the problem in the best possible way for all parties involved. Also, from the original pledge investment they still have \$35,000 that could be used toward the funding. Mary Lou Finley added that we would not have to take all of the money out of the fund balance since the \$190,000 from the guaranteed return from Chartwells was in the equipment line and could be used. Dustin added that the current NGHS equipment could be used at other schools that have not been remodeled.

**Vote to Move forward with the Cafeteria remodel at North Greene High**

On motion Made by Clark Justis                      Seconded by Tom Cobble

**Vote: 7 – 0**

D. Approve 2018-2019 General Purpose Budget. (III-D)

On motion Made by Tom Cobble                      Seconded by Michelle Holt

**MOTION TO APPROVE BUDGET I USING UNDESIGNATED FUNDS TO BALANCE**

**Vote: 7 – 0**

Chairman Rick Tipton noted that we have two (2) budget options to look at with Budget I being out of balance by \$981,976 and Budget II is balanced. David McLain gave a hand out showing the difference in the two budgets (see May 31, 2018, Called Board Agenda, Item III-D-Attachments, Budget I and Budget II, on our website at [www.greenek12.org](http://www.greenek12.org) )

Chairman Rick Tipton made the recommendation that we use the undesignated fund to balance Budget I. He noted that he would like to do more if possible and that all added items listed are needed for the kids. Michelle Holt added that we can only use the fund balance so much and at some point we would need to ask for more money from the County Commission. Kathy Austin added that she agreed to use the fund balance since we are only required to keep \$1.5-\$1.6 million and we are going to roll over six million and we should use it on students, teachers and support staff.

**Budget I - (\$981,976) Additions**

- Four Assistants to the Principals \*
- Speech Teacher\*
- Psychologist\*
- Masonry Teacher\* (Approximately \$70,000-must be there to have the program)
- Virtual Learning\*
- \$400 Step increase for Certified
- Classified \$.25 per hour increase\*
- New Pay Scale for Maintenance, Mechanics & Bus Drivers\* (\$200,000 was \$418,000)
- Increased Technology Supplement \$500\*
- In-School Suspension\*
- TCRS Contribution
- Health Insurance Increase (2.5%)
- Cut 4 Teaching Positions and replaced 2 positions with Educational Assistants

**Budget II – Balanced** (*\* items from Budget I would be cut*); along with the following:

- Diesel \$50,000
- Gasoline \$10,000

**Question:** Tom Cobble; Seconded by Kathy Austin

**Vote:** 7 – 0

a. Approve 2018-2019 CTE Carl Perkins Budget. (Mark Norman)

On motion Made by Nathan Brown Seconded by Brian Wilhoit

**Vote: 7 – 0**

Mark Norman, CTE Supervisor-each year we get an annual allocation of funds from the Federal government based on our enrollment. This year we received \$120,963.22 and we give Greene Technology Center 80% (\$96,770.82) and 5% of that is for Professional Development which is required by Law and this leaves Greene County Schools with \$24,192.70.

b. Approve Fund 177 (Capital Projects-Buses).

On motion Made by Clark Justis                      Seconded by Nathan Brown

**Vote: 7 – 0**

Mary Lou Finley, Budget Director noted that since property taxes and other taxes go directly into that fund she has budgeted \$525,000 for buses and \$100,000 for building improvements.

IV. Announcements

David McLain announced that we hired Lori Wilhoit as the Principal at SGHS and Tim Shelton as the Principal at WGHS.

V. Next Regular Meeting

- a. Date: Thursday, June 28, 2018
- b. Time: 4:30 p.m.
- c. Place: Greene Technology Center

VI. Adjournment: With no further business, Chairman Rick Tipton adjourned the meeting at 6:37 pm.