

GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA

Regular Meeting

August 21, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Green Hills School - Library

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. FLAG SALUTE

B. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

“This is a regular meeting of the Green Township Board of Education held for the purpose of transacting appropriate Board business. In compliance with Chapter 31, Laws of 1975, the New Jersey Herald was properly notified and copies of the agenda of this meeting were appropriately posted and made available for the public.”

C. ROLL CALL

		Term	Roll Call
Mr.	CJ Bilik	2024	
Mrs.	Marie Bilik	2026	
Ms.	Crystal Bockbader	2025	
Mrs.	Ann Marie Cooke	2024	
Mrs.	Heather Ellersick	2025	
Ms.	Maureen McGuire	2026	
Ms.	Kristin Post	2024	
Ms.	Holly Roller	2025	
Dr.	Melissa Vela	2026	
Dr.	Jennifer Cenatiempo, Superintendent		
Mrs.	Karen Constantino, SBA		

D. Mission

Green Township School District educates every student to become a confident and caring life-long learner who communicates effectively and contributes positively to the evolving needs of society. The district, in partnership with the community, promotes academic excellence and equitable opportunities for all students.

II. PRESENTATIONS

District Goals and Action Plans presented by Dr. Cenatiempo

III. CORRESPONDENCE

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA TOPICS

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V. VARIOUS REPORTS

A. NEWTON BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE - Mrs. Cooke

B. PTA UPDATE - Mrs. Ellersick

C. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT - Mrs. Bilik

D. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - Dr. Cenatiempo

HIB:	There were no HIB Cases to report since the July 17, 2024 BOE meeting.		
Drills:	Fire Drill	7/21/24, 8/2/24	
	Lockdown Drill	7/16/24, 8/2/24	

E. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT - Mrs. Constantino

VI. DISCUSSION ACTION ITEMS

VII. BOARD BUSINESS - Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke

A. Motion to accept minutes of the following meetings:

- 1. Regular Meeting of July 17, 2024. (Attachment)

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

B. Motion to accept the HIB Reports from the July 17, 2024 meeting.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

C. Motion to approve the annual Memorandum of Agreement between the Green Township School District and the law enforcement agencies.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

D. Motion to approve the PTA Red, White and Run on September 22, 2024 at Evergreen Park.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Charge for the Ad-hoc Committee on the Appropriate use of AI in K-8 Education

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. CURRICULUM - Mrs. Maureen McGuire, Chairperson

- 1. Motion to approve the following field trips:

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Trip</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Marybeth Stiles	7 & 8	Youth Empowerment Summit	Sussex County Technical School 105 N. Church Street Sparta, NJ	10/17/24	Transportation Cost-TBD

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

2. Motion to approve the Lead U Assembly for a date TBD in the 2024-2025 school year. This assembly focuses on Resilience, Respect, Conflict Resolution, Responsibility, Tolerance, Leadership, Social Awareness and Mindfulness; at a cost of \$1,800.00 to be paid out of Grant Funds Title IIA.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

3. Motion to approve the virtual Parent Presentation of Signs of Suicide, from NJ4S/Mental Health Association, tentatively scheduled for 9/24/24, at no cost to the Board of Education.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

4. Motion to approve the 8th Grade Workshop, Signs of Suicide, from NJ4S/Mental Health Association, date TBD, at no cost to the Board of Education.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

5. Motion to approve Tim Roher - autism Speaker for the middle school students during the Week of Respect, at a cost of \$500, to be paid from Grant Title IIA, 100-300 account.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

6. Motion to approve “Don’t Get Vaped” student presentation for middle school students, provided by the Center of Prevention at no cost to the Board of Education.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

7. Motion to approve “Hidden in Plain Sight” parent presentation, provided by the Center of Prevention at a cost of \$900 to the Board of Education to be paid out of the general fund.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

8. Motion to approve Career Exploration for students in grades 7 & 8, provided by NJ4S/MHA, on a date in November to be determined, at no cost to the Board of Education.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

9. Motion to approve Managing Social Media with Youth, parent presentation, provided by J4S/MHA, on a date in December to be determined, at no cost to the Board of Education.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

10. Motion to approve “Minding Your Mind: Just Talk About It,” parent presentation for mental health awareness and strategies, offered virtually by Minding your Mind, at a a cost of \$500 to be paid from Title IVA funds, account 100-300.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

11. Motion to approve Helping Teens Manage Stress, virtual parent presentation, provided by NJ4S/MHA, on a date in March to be determined, at no cost to the Board of Education.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

12. Motion to approve A Glimpse of Grief, virtual parent presentation, provided by NJ4S/MHA, on a date in April to be determined, at no cost to the Board of Education.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

13. Motion to approve a Parent/Caregiver Guide to Mental Health, virtual parent presentation, provided by NJ4S/MHA, on a date in May to be determined, at no cost to the Board of Education.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

14. Motion to approve It's Real: Teens and Mental Health student presentation for 7th and 8th grades, in person presentation, provided by NJ4S/MHA, on a date in May to be determined, at no cost to the Board of Education.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

15. Motion to approve the Professional Development Plan for the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

16. Motion to approve the Mentoring Plan for the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

B. FINANCE - Ms Kristen Post., Chairperson

July 2024 Financial Reports (attachment)

1. Motion to approve the General Fund bills list for July 18, 2024 through August 21, 2024 for a total of \$507,428.13 (attachment)

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

2. Motion to accept the Board Secretary's monthly certification, as attached, and that as of July 31, 2024, no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23A-16.10(c)3.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

3. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. the Green Township School District Board of Education, after review of the Board Secretary’s and Treasurer’s monthly financial reports certify that as of July 31, 2024 and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-16.10(c)4 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

4. Motion to accept the financial reports from the Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of July, 2024.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

5. Motion to approve transfers for July, 2024.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

6. Motion to approve the disbursements from July 18, 2024 through August 21, 2024 for the Student Activities Account in the amount of \$605.90 and the Business Office Petty Cash Account in the amount of \$5.58. **(attachment)**

Motion..... Second.....
Roll Call/

7. Motion to approve the 2024-2025 School Nursing Services Agreement with SCESC. (Attachment)

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

8. Motion to approve the 2024-2025 Private School Equitable IDEA Services contract with SCESC with a maximum fee of \$6,167 for the school year (Attachment)

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

9. Motion to approve the 2024-2025 Non Public Service Agreement with SCESC. (Attachment)

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

10. Motion to approve the tuition agreement with the Sussex County Vocational Board of Education at a rate of \$2,750/student for full time and \$1,375 for half-time students commencing September 1, 2024 and will terminate on June 30, 2025.

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

11. Motion to approve the joint transportation agreement between Green Township Board Of Education and the Andover Regional Board of Education to allow the transportation of three Andover students for the school year 2024-2025 as follows:

<u>Jointure Route#</u>	<u>Host District</u>	<u>Joiner District</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Joiner Cost</u>
NHS4	Green	Andover Twp.	Newton HS	\$2,632.20

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

12. Motion to approve the joint transportation agreement between Green Township Board of Education and the Fredon Township Board of Education to allow the transportation of two Fredon students for the school year 2024-2025 as follows:

<u>Jointure Route#</u>	<u>Host District</u>	<u>Joiner District</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Joiner Cost</u>
12	Green	Fredon Twp.	Green Hills School	\$1,754.80

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

13. Motion to approve the joint transportation agreement between Green Township Board of Education and the Kittatinny Regional Board of Education to allow the transportation of one Kittatinny students for the school year 2024-2025 as follows:

<u>Jointure Route#</u>	<u>Host District</u>	<u>Joiner District</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Joiner Cost</u>
12	Green	Kittatinny Regional.	Green Hills School	\$877.40

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

14. Motion to approve the tuition contract for Student ID# ending 57469 to attend Morris County Vocational School District commencing August 29, 2024 and will terminate on June 16, 2025 at an annual cost of \$13,879 per year. Transportation will be provided at an anticipated cost of \$20,998.80.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

15. Motion to approve the tuition contract with Windsor Learning Academy for student ID # ending 48831, commencing on July 5, 2024 through June 30, 2025 for 210 days. The tentative per diem rate of \$345.50/day is \$10,635 for the extended school year and \$63,810 for the regular school year, September 2024 through June, 2025.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

C. OPERATIONS - Mr. CJ Bilik, Chairperson

D. PERSONNEL - Ms. Crystal Bockbrader, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve the following Substitute School Nurses for the 2024-2025 school year, at the recommendation of the Superintendent:

Rachel Ambjor
Patricia Mangino
Lauren Stroh
Kaitlyn Schlessenger
Cynthia Pierson
Donna Weatherwalks

Lori Naomi

Motion..... Second.....
Roll Call/

2. Motion to approve the following Substitute Custodians for the 2024-2025 school year, at the recommendation of the Superintendent:

Kenneth Degraw	Sean Maffia	Tania Gallucci
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Motion..... Second.....
Roll Call/

3. Motion to approve Kimberly Ervey’s movement on the guide to BA + 30 Step 4 at a base pay rate of \$ 72,777.00 for the 2024 - 2025 school year, as documented by official transcripts and verified/recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

4. Motion to approve Diana Minervini’s movement on the guide to MA Step 12 at a base pay rate of \$ 91,777.00 for the 2024 - 2025 school year as documented by official transcripts and verified/recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

5. Motion to approve Erin Moles’ movement on the guide to MA Step 4 at a base pay rate of \$ 75,777.00 for the 2024 - 2025 school year as documented by official transcripts and verified/recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

6. Motion to approve Marlene Sobczak’s movement on the guide to MA Step 8 at a base pay rate of \$ 83,777.00 for the 2024 - 2025 school year as documented by official transcripts and verified/recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

7. Motion to approve the leave for employee ID# 0979, designated as follows:
November 11-February 14 - FMLA (Use of 28 sick days Nov-Dec)
January 2-March 26- NJFLA
March 27-April 17- GTEA Leave as per contract

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

8. Motion to approve the FMLA leave for employee ID# 576 , designated as follows:
September 3 - November 25 - FMLA (84 days)
September 3 - October 18- use of 31 sick days & 3 personal days
October 21 - January 7 - use of 45 sick bank days

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

9. Motion to approve Marissa Hardy as Administrative Assistant to the Principal, with a start date of August 26, 2024, at a salary of \$52,000 (prorated), pending paperwork and criminal background check, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

10. Motion to approve Chelsey Walilko as the part time speech language pathologist for the 2024 - 2025 school year, at MA Step 6 for \$79,777 prorated, pending documentation, and criminal background check, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

11. Motion to approve Kyle Mosner as part time health/physical education teacher for the 2024-2025 school year, at BA Step 1, (.8 part-time) at a salary of \$51,021.60, pending documentation and criminal background check, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

12. Motion to approve Cynthis Devesly as FMLA leave replacement from September 3, 2024 through January 7, 2025, at BA Step 1, salary of \$63,777, prorated, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

13. Motion to accept, with regrets, the resignation of Diane Parker, paraprofessional, effective August 3, 2024.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

14. Motion to approve Michelle Francisco as a paraprofessional for the 2024-2025 school year, at a rate of \$16.11/hour, up to 30 hours per week, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

15. Motion to approve the following employees as Bus Monitors for the 2024 - 2025 school year, at a rate of \$30/run, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Ana Velez
Sarah Pittenger

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

16. Motion to approve Declan Carroll as a .8 part-time intervention and social studies teacher for the 2024-2025 school year, Step 5, BA+30, at an annual salary of \$59,821.60, pending documentation and criminal background check, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

17. Motion to approve Luisa Bruzzese as part-time preschool paraprofessional at a rate of \$15.13/hour plus an additional \$1.00/hour for diapering of preschool student(s) for up to 30 hours per week

for the 2024-2025 school year, pending documentation and criminal background check, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

18. Motion to approve Kimberly DiMarzo as part time preschool paraprofessional at a rate of \$15.13 an hour + \$1.00 an hour for diapering of preschool student for up to 30 hours per week for the 2024-2025 school year, pending documentation and criminal background check, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

19. Motion to appoint the following staff members for stipend positions:

Advanced Band	TBD
Art Club Advisor	Justin Wynne
Assistant Drama Coach	Kelli McKeown
Assistant Field Hockey	Ashley Van Haste
Assistant Track & Field	Lori Homentosky
Athletic Director	Steven Bird
Beginning Band	TBD
Head Boys Basketball	Michael Scott
Assistant Boys Basketball	Brian Martin
Cheerleading	TBD
Chorus	TBD
Drama / Musical	Diana Minervini
Drama: Art Director (anticipated)	Justin Wynne
E-Sports Coach	Justin Wynne
Fall STEM Robotics	Kyle Mirena

Fall Assistant STEM Robotics	Kristen Grzymko
Field Hockey	Mike Scott
Head Girls Basketball	Kim Ervey
Assistant Girls Basketball	TBD
Garden Club	Sarah Pittenger
Glee	Diana Minervini
Handbells	Jackie Mull
IEP / Homebound Instruction	Beth Denuto
National Junior Honor Society	Lori Homentosky
Peer to Peer	Marybeth Stiles Deb Ronsini
Student Assist Team	Marybeth Stiles Kristin Sylvester Lori Homentoski
Ski Coach Head	Kristen Grzymko
Ski Coach Advisor	Brian Martin Alison Weatherwalks
Soccer Coach Head	Kim Ervey
Soccer Coach Assistant	Lori Homentoski
Sports Activities Monitor	Beth Denuto Alison Weatherwalks
Spring STEAM / STEM	Kyle Mirena
Spring Assistant STEAM / STEM	Alison Weatherwealks
Student Marketplace	Catherine Nowaczyk
Track and Field Coach	Christine Malloy
Teacher in Charge	Beth Denuto
Yearbook Advisor	Catherine Nowaczyk
Permanent 8th Grade Advisor	Kristen Grzymko

5 - 8th Grade Fundraising Advisor	Ashley VanHaste
5 - 6th Grade Student Council	Diana Minervini
7 - 8th Grade Student Council	Catherine Nowaczyk

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

20. Motion to approve William Dowd as CDL driver for the 24/25 school year at a rate of \$50/hour for active driving and \$25/hour for idle time.

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

21. Motion to approve Michael Scott as Kyle Mosner's mentor for the 24-25 school year, at a total cost of \$1,315.00 .

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

22. Motion to approve Marlene Sobczak's's movement on the guide to MA Step 8 at a base pay rate of \$ 83,777.00 for the 2024 - 2025 school year as documented by official transcripts and verified/recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

23. Motion to accept, with regret, the resignation of Kira Schwabe, paraprofessional for the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

24. Motion to approve the following for After Care support staff for the 2024-2025 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent:

Karen D'Annibale

Carol Bene
Abbi Borgognoni
Susan Machacek

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

25. Motion to approve Susan Hildebrant as a substitute teacher, pending documentation, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

E. POLICY - Ms. Holly Roller, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve the following policies for a first reading.

P 0141	Board Member Number and Term (Revised)
P 0141.1	Board Member Number and Term – Sending District (Revised)
P 0141.2	Board Member Number and Term – Receiving District (Revised)
P 0164.6	Remote Public Board Meetings During a Declared Emergency (M)(Abolished)
P 2200	Curriculum Content (M) (Revised)
P 5337	Service Animals (Revised)
P 5350	Student Suicide Prevention (M) (Revised)
P 7231	Gifts From Vendors (M) (Abolished)
P 8420	Emergency and Crisis Situations (M) (Revised)
P 8467	Firearms and Weapons (M) (Revised)
P 9181	Volunteer Athletic Coaches and Co-Curricular Activity Advisors/Assistants(Revised)

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/Roll Call/

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XII. CLOSED MEETING

Closed Meeting Motion was read by _____ at _____pm.

The Board of Education of the Green Township School District in the County of Sussex will adjourn into closed meeting to discuss item(s) which fall within an exception of our open meetings policy and permits the Board to have private discussion, since it deals with specific exceptions contained in

- a Matters rendered confidential by Federal Law, State Law, or Court Rule
- b Individual privacy
- c Collective bargaining agreements
- d Purchase or lease of real property if public interest could be adversely affected
- e Investment of public funds if public interest could be adversely affected
- f Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting public safety and property
- g Pending or anticipated litigation
- h Attorney-client privilege
- i Personnel–employment matters affecting a specific prospective or current employee

Be it resolved that the Board will now go into private session to discuss matters rendered confidential due to the nature of pending or anticipated litigation, attorney-client privilege and personnel – employment matters affecting a specific prospective or current employee privilege. Any discussion held by the Board, which need not remain confidential, will be made public as soon as practical. Minutes of the private session will not be disclosed until the need for confidentiality no longer exists. All appropriate persons, who may be discussed in private session, have been adequately notified.

Motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing _____

Motion..... Second.....
Roll Call/

XIII. RECONVENE

Motion to reconvene into public session at _____pm.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

XIV. BOARD COMMENTS

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion that the Board of Education shall adjourn at _____pm.

Motion..... Second.....
/Roll Call/

Next Meeting Date:
September 18, 2024

Vision
Empower students and staff to embrace their individual strengths in a safe, supportive environment that fosters a love of learning while pursuing their full potential.