

GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA

**Regular Meeting
November 20, 2024**

Time: 6:00 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	
	Vacant Seat	2025	
Mrs.	Ann Marie Cooke	2024	
Mrs.	Heather Ellersick	2024	
Mrs.	Maureen McGuire	2026	
Mrs.	Kristin Post	2024	
	Vacant Seat	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. **Executive Session**
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Motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing _____

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

III. **RECONVENE**

Motion to reconvene into public session at _____pm.

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

IV. **PRESENTATIONS**

- A. **Sound System Presentations from Vendors**
- B. **Artificial Intelligence Presentation by Dr. Cenatiempo**

C. iReady Presentation on Current Student Assessments by Mr. Bollette

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Letter of Resignation from Mrs. Roller

Letter of Resignation from Mrs. Bockbrader

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA TOPICS

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VII. VARIOUS REPORTS

A. NEWTON BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE - Mrs. Cooke

B. PTA UPDATE - Mrs. Post

C. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mrs. Bilik

D. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Dr. Cenatiempo

HIB: There are 3 Unfounded HIB to report since the 10/16/24 meeting.

Drills:	Fire Drill	10/2/24
	Evacuation Drill	10/21/24

Bus Evacuation: Newton High School Bus Evacuation Drills

Supervised by: Matthew Parzero, PE/Health Teacher & Lili French, Transportation Coordinator

Location: Parking lot of Newton High School:
10/30/24 at 7:19 am; Route NHS-3 Green

10/30/24 at 7:22 am; Route NHS-1 Green
10/30/24 at 7:25 am; Route NHS-4 Green
10/30/24 at 7:28 am; Route NHS-2 Green

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

VIII. BOARD BUSINESS - Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke

A. Motion to accept minutes of the following meetings:

1. Regular Meeting of October 16, 2024. (Attachment)

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

B. Motion to accept the HIB Reports from the October 16, 2024 meeting.

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

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. 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>
Dara Seminara	3rd	Morristown Mayo	100 South Street	3/26/25	\$470 for play

Kerstin Martinka		Performing Arts Center	Morristown, NJ 07960		Transportation: \$350.00
Kyle Mirena Beth Denuto	7 & 8	SOAR Jr. Model UN	William Patterson 300 Pompton Road Wayne, NJ	2/13/25	\$40 per student Transportation: \$350.00
Lisa Sprofera Ashley Van Haste Tara Lavalley	1st	Sussex County Fairgrounds Science Trip	Sussex County Fairgrounds 37 Plains Road Augusta, NJ	4/16/24	\$188 admission for all Transportation: \$295.00

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

2. Motion to approve the Newton High School Environmental SAVE Club to visit Monday, November 25, 2024 to present information about the SAVE Club initiative to collect 1000 lbs of plastic film, so they can acquire a Nextrek bench for Newton High School.

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

3. Motion to approve My Limousine Service to provide (1) 56-passenger luxury motorcoach with lavatory from June 3rd to June 5th, 2025 for the Washington D.C. trip, with the chauffeur to remain with the group for the duration of the trip, at a cost of \$8,300.00, plus parking fees.

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

4. Motion to approve participation in Project Self-Sufficiency's Season of Hope "Stuff the Stocking" new toy drive competition from November 21 through December 6, 2024, to be run by the NJHS students, as recommended by the Superintendent.

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

5. Motion to approve the Title I Math and Literacy Engagement Program as detailed below.
Title I Math and Literacy Engagement Sessions
Open Positions: 10 Teachers and 1 Administrative Position
Dates: Saturday mornings, 1/11/25, 1/18/25, 1/25/25, 2/1/25, 2/8/25, 2/15/25
Times: 8:30 am – 10:30 am + 1 Hour per week for Preparation Time

Rate: \$50 an hour, Total Compensation: 6 Sessions x \$50 an hour x 4 hours = \$900 to be paid via Title IA Funds

Event Details: Teachers will work with identified students in small groups or individual settings to intervene on math or literacy content to develop grade level skills. Parents will stay with their child. A light breakfast will be served. Students and parents will pre-register for the event. Activities will be based upon the pre-registered students and parents.

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

6. Motion to approve the Center for Preventions 6th grade program “We’re Not Buying It.” This literacy program targeting middle school-aged youth in sixth grade with a goal of preventing or delaying the onset of alcohol, marijuana, and non-medical prescription drug use and to prevent bullying. Students learn how to deconstruct media messages that promote or glamorize substance use. With a deeper understanding of the marketing directed toward them, students can better resist messages and make healthy decisions. The program is conducted classroom style, 1x week, 45 minutes/6 sessions. There is no cost to the district for this program.

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

7. Motion to approve the Sussex County Prosecutor's presentation on Cybersafety for students in grades 5 & 6 on November 21, 2024. There is no cost to the district for this program.

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

8. Motion to approve the ELA Morphology Plus Virtual Training Program from the Institute of Multisensory Education (IMSE), for Beth Holley, December 2, 2024 through December 6, 2024, at a cost of \$1,500, to be paid from Title II For \$1,351 and \$149 from general fund, at the recommendation of the Superintendent.

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

9. Motion to approve the Statement of Assurance for the School Safety Plan for the 2024/2025 school year.

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

10. Motion to approve Track and Field activity for grades 5-8 students for the 2024/2025 school year.

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

11. Motion to approve Knitting Club as a Board approved activity for the 2024-2025 school year (See Motion 15 under Personnel for costs.)

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

12. Motion to approve the 7th grade class to run a Book Donation Drive for Benny's Bodega, through the STAR Friday class.

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

B. FINANCE - Mrs. Kristin Post, Chairperson

October 2024 Financial Reports (attachment)

1. Motion to approve the General Fund bills list for October 17, 2023 through November 20, 2024 for a total of \$1,206,665.24 (attachment)

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

2. Motion to accept the Board Secretary's monthly certification, as attached, and that as of October 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 October 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 October, 2024.

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

5. Motion to approve transfers for October, 2024.

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

6. Motion to approve the disbursements from October 17, 2024 through November 20, 2024 for the Student Activities Account in the amount of \$8,031.76, Cafeteria Account of \$0.00 and the Business Office Petty Cash Account in the amount of \$0.00. (Attachment)

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

7. Motion to approve the tuition contract with the Newton Board of Education for a High School student that attends Central Park School. This agreement is effective September 1, 2024 and will terminate on June 30, 2025 for student ID# ending 7438.

Annual Tuition	\$91,100.00
Personal Aide	\$34,070.00
Additional Therapy Services	\$4,520.00
Therapies beyond 60 minutes	\$113.00/hour

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

C. **OPERATIONS** - Mr. CJ Bilik, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve Green Township Athletic Association to have use of our gymnasium and cafeteria from November 21, 2024 through March 28, 2025, Monday through Thursday from 6:00 pm until 9:30 PM, and each Saturday from 8:30 am until 2:30 pm. COI has been properly submitted.

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

2. Motion to approve PSA to make a minor amendment to the Long Range Facilities Plan to include various capital projects for a flat fee of \$750.00 Projects added to the LRFP are:

Project	Estimated Cost
Gym sound system	\$150,000
Stage Molding	\$25,000
PA System Upgrade	\$50,000
Floor Updates-Main Office, Music Room, CST Offices	\$100,000

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

3. Motion to dispose of the following non-working kitchen assets:

Description of Asset	Asset Tag #
Win-Holt Warmer	N/A
Cold Table	000623
Serving Table	N/A
1992 Range, Metal, 36"	002643
1996 Range, Oven Convection-Single	002636
Steam Kettle-40 Gallon	002637
1999 Steam Pressure Cooker	000640

1992 Deep Grease Fryer	N/A
Hobart Mixer, Commercial 60 Quart	002640
Slicer Meat, Small	002639
Freezer 2-Door, Pass Thru	002644

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

D. PERSONNEL - Dr. Melissa Vela, Chairperson

1. Motion to accept, with regrets, the retirement of Kim Scudieri effective 12/30/24.

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

2. Motion to retroactively approve Kenny DeGraw as Custodial Leave Replacement, at a rate of \$20.00 an hour, on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, from October 17, 2024 through November 30, 2024, at the recommendation of the Superintendent.

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

3. Motion to approve Sean McElroy as as Custodial Leave Replacement, at a rate of \$20.00 an hour, on Mondays and Wednesdays, from November 21, 2024 through November 30, 2024, pending criminal history, background check and paperwork, at the recommendation of the Superintendent.

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

4. Motion to approve Sean McElroy as a substitute custodian, at a rate of \$20.00 an hour, for the 2024-2025 school year, pending criminal history, background check and paperwork, at the recommendation of the Superintendent.

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

5. Motion to approve the following event monitors at the agreed upon rate, for the 2024-2025 school year:

Lori Homentosky

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

6. Motion to approve Arlene Stein - Lambert as a volunteer in the Green Township School District to support district functions in administrative assistant and library duties, pending criminal history and background check, at the recommendation of the Superintendent.

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

7. Motion to rescind the following coaches for the 2024-2025 school year due to resigning from the position:

Michael Scott as Boys Basketball Head Coach
Brian Martin as Boys Basketball Assistant Coach
Kim Ervey as Girls Basketball Head Coach
Kyle Mosner as Girls Basketball Assistant coach

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

8. Motion to approve the following coaches for the 2024- 2025 school year:

Kyle Mosner as Boys Basketball Head Coach
Luke Kerrick as Boys Basketball Assistant Coach
Michael Scott as Girls Basketball Head Coach
Ashley VanHaste as Girls Basketball Assistant Coach

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

9. Motion to approve Sharontina Liu, as the full time General Music and Instrumental Music Leave Replacement teacher to begin November 21, 2024 through April 26, 2025, Step 1, at a salary of \$63,777, prorated, with no benefits, at the recommendation of the Superintendent.

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

10. Motion to approve the revised 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 1 - use of 41 sick bank days
January 2 - January 20 - use of 4 sick bank days & 8 unpaid days

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

11. Motion to approve the extension of Cynthia Devesly as FMLA leave replacement from January 7, 2024 through January 20, 2024, at BA Step 1, salary of \$63,777, prorated, as recommended by the Superintendent.

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

12. Motion to approve Simone Jennings as a substitute custodian for the 2024-2025 school year, at a rate of \$16 per hour, pending criminal history and background check and documentation, as recommended by the superintendent.

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

13. Motion to approve Avery Decker as a substitute paraprofessional for the 2024-2025 school year, as recommended by the superintendent.

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

14. Motion to approve the reassignment of Mrs. Beth Holley from Intervention Teacher to Grade 4 Teacher to replace Ms. Scudieri for the 2024/2025 school year effective 1/1/25 at the recommendation of the superintendent.

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

15. Motion to approve the volunteer Amy Ehrenberg to lead an after school knitting club for 8 sessions in January to March 2025 at no cost to the district to be supervised by a district employed event monitor for 1 hour per session pending appropriate background check and documentation as required.

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

16. Motion to approve Daniel Malloy as a substitute teacher for the 2024-2025 school year, pending criminal history and background check and documentation, as recommended by the superintendent.

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

17. Motion to approve Tamatha McArdle as a paraprofessional for the 2024-2025 school year, at a rate of \$15.13 per hour plus \$1.00 per hour for diapering/toilet training, pending criminal history and background check and documentation, as recommended by the superintendent.

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

E. POLICY - Mrs. Heather Ellersick, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve the first reading of the following regulations.

1100 – District Organization
1110 – Organizational Chart
1120 – Management Team
1130 – Staff Liaison Committees
1210 – Board Superintendent Relations
3160 - Physical Examination
4160 - Physical Examination

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

2. Motion to approve the second reading of the following policies.

P 8600	Transportation
R 8600	Transportation

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

F. NEGOTIATIONS -Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke, Chairperson

1. Reinstate nominating committee

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Roll Call/

XIV. RECONVENE

Motion to reconvene into public session at _____ pm.

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

/Roll Call/

XV. BOARD COMMENTS

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion that the Board of Education shall adjourn at _____ pm.

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

/Roll Call/

Next Meeting Date:

December 11, 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.