

GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA

Budget and Regular Meeting

April 30, 2025

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	2025	
Mrs.	Marie Bilik	2026	
Mrs.	Ann Marie Cooke	2027	
Mrs.	Alyssa Eisner	2027	
Mrs.	Heather Ellersick	2027	
Mrs.	Amy Jones	2025	
Mrs.	Maureen McGuire	2026	
Mrs.	Kristin Post	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**

Presentation of the 2025-2026 School Budget by Dr. Jennifer Cenatiempo

III. **ADOPT THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL BUDGET**

1. Motion to adopt the 2025-2026 School Budget as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Green Township School District Board of Education in accordance with N.J.S.A 18A:7F-38, hereby approves the adoption of the 2025-2026 school year district budget as follows:

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUES</u>	<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2025-2026 Total Expenditures	\$14,058,404	\$132,329	\$142,506	\$14,333,239
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$ 2,533,718	\$132,329	\$ 48,449	\$ 2,714,496
Taxes to be Raised	\$11,524,686	\$ 0	\$ 94,057	\$11,618,743

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Township School District Board of Education includes in the proposed budget a withdrawal from the Tuition Reserve in the amount of \$60,000. The purpose of this withdrawal is to fund tuition owed to Newton High School in the 25-26 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Township School District Board of Education includes in the proposed budget the use of the Health Care Cost Adjustment of \$14,578. The purpose of this use will be to support the operations and programs of the school district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Township School District Board of Education includes in the proposed budget withdrawal from the Capital Reserve in the amount of \$195,000. The purpose of this withdrawal is to fund the septic tank replacement, teller window/license scanner, network backbone and stage edging.

\$ 225,688	2% Current Expense Tax Levy Increase
\$11,284,420	Prior Year 2024 - 2025 Current Expense Tax Levy
\$ 14,578	Increase in Health Care Costs
\$11,524,686	Maximum District Tax Levy 2025-2026

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

2. Motion to approve the following resolution regarding travel and related expense
Reimbursement maximum costs for 2025-2026 school year:

Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement

2025-2026

WHEREAS, the Green Township Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, a Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of \$1,500 per staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

WHEREAS, travel and related expenses not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq., but deemed by the Board of Education to be necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves all travel not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. as being necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(b), to a maximum expenditure of \$20,000 for all staff and board members.

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

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA TOPICS

This public session is designed for members of the public to speak on this evening's agenda topics. By law, the Board of Education is under no obligation to respond to public comment. If the Board of Education chooses to respond, it does not waive its right thereafter not to respond. Length of comments is limited to three minutes to the individual who has been recognized by the Board president. Each individual may be

limited to one opportunity to speak per topic. Members of the public are asked to state their name and address for the record.

VI. VARIOUS REPORTS

A. NEWTON BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE - Mrs. Cooke

B. PTA UPDATE - Mrs. Post

C. SCESC UPDATE-Mr. Bilik

D. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE-Mrs. Eisner

E. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT - Mrs. Bilik

F. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - Dr. Cenatiempo

HIB:	There were no HIB Cases to report since the April 16, 2025 BOE meeting.
Drills:	Fire Drill
	Lockdown Drill

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

VII. BOARD BUSINESS - Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke

A. Motion to accept minutes of the following meetings:

1. Regular Meeting of April 16, 2025. (Attachment)

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

2. Executive Session of April 16, 2025

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

- B. Motion to accept the HIB Reports from the April 16, 2025 meeting.

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

- C. Motion to accept the generous donation of six SMART boards, with installation of hardware and mobile stands, at a cost of \$26,622.00 from the PTA.

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

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. CURRICULUM - Mrs. Maureen McGuire, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve Stephen Davis/Cause and FX to complete a 10 day Shakespeare Residency with 8th grade at a total cost of \$1,800 to be paid out of the Student Activity Fund.

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

2. Motion to approve the PTA sponsored Social Media Speaker assembly on May 7, 2025.

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

3. Motion to approve the Guidelines for the Integrated Preschool Program for the 2025-2026 school year.

- The Creative Curriculum is utilized in the program.

- The program will be a full day running from 8:20-2:45.
- There will be 8 spots open for general education students which will be held by lottery if there are more applicants than spots.
- General education students are required to be potty-trained.
- Program will be instructed by a P-3, TOSD certified teacher.
- Lunch will be in the cafeteria in the late morning with snacks to follow in the afternoon.
- Parents may opt to have their child purchase lunch or send lunch in from home.
- The cost will be \$700 a month or \$7000 a year, to be paid by check to the district.
- The first \$700 will be due in June when registration and spot availability are confirmed. The second payment of \$700 will be due no later than August 31st. The total cost of \$7000 a year is not dependent upon individual monthly calendars, but rather on the 180 days in the school year.
- The program will follow the district calendar for K-8 students, including all early dismissals and weather-related closure days.
- The deadline for the lottery will be May 1st with the lottery to occur the following day.
- Registration materials will be available on the district website for completion.
- There will not be any transportation offered to general education preschool students.
- This program is open to Green Township residents via the lottery as noted above.
- Should there be any additional spots available, students from other towns may choose to enroll.

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

B. FINANCE - Mrs. Kristin Post, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve the purchase of 6 Palmer Hamilton bench cafeteria tables from Nickerson Corporation, at a cost of \$2,770.40 per table for a total of \$16,622.40, less a discount of \$4,300.00 for a total of \$12,322.40, under Ed Data Contract #12288, to be paid from cafeteria funds.

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

2. Motion to dispose of 5 cafeteria tables that are broken and no longer usable.

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

3. Motion to purchase six smart boards from CDW, Contract: Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ/AEPA-22G), with funds from the donation of the Green Hills PTA with the following specs:

SMART Board SBID-MX265-V4 MX (V4) Series with iQ - 65" LED-backlit LCD display. Mfg. Part # SBID-MX265-V4NYNJ, at a cost of \$2,999.00 each for a total of **\$17,994.00**

Tequipment Hardware Installation 6 4564648. Mfg. Part# NJ-TEQ INSTALL, at a cost of \$ 650.00 each for a total of **\$3,900.00**

Teq Fixed Height Mobile Stand 6 6235781. Mfg. Part#: FIXEDHEIGHT-BNDL, at a cost of \$788.00 each for a total of **\$4,728.00**

Six SMART Boards, Hardware Installation and Mobil Stands for a total cost of **\$26,622.**

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

4. Motion to approve the food prices for the 25-26 school year:

Breakfast:	Price:
Student	\$2.25
Adult	\$2.65
Lunch	Price:
Student	\$3.75
Entree Only	\$2.65
Adult Lunch	\$5.00

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

C. OPERATIONS - Mr. CJ Bilik, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve the following summer hours for 12 month staff as follows to begin on 6/17/25 until 8/30/25.

12 Month Employee - Non Custodial
Monday to Thursday, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm
Friday, 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

12 Month Employee - Custodial
Monday to Thursday, 7:00 am - 3:00 pm
Friday, 7:00 am - 1:00 pm

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

D. PERSONNEL - Dr. Melissa Vela, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve contract renewals for the Tenured Teachers for the 2025-2026 school year as recommended by the Superintendent.

Name	2025 – 2026 Assignment
Bird, Steven	Teacher
Buckmaster-Miller, Suzanne	Teacher
Burneyko, Kerry	School Nurse
Colianni, Brianna	Teacher
Denuto, Beth	Teacher
DiSanti, Amanda	Teacher
Franciosi, Sandra	Teacher
Giller, Jessica	Teacher
Harrington, Cori	Teacher
Haugk, Laura	Teacher
Holley, Beth	Teacher
Homentowsky, Lori	Teacher
Lavalley, Tara	Teacher
Lutz, Tiffany	Social Worker
Malloy, Christine	Teacher
Martin, Brian	Teacher
Martinka, Kerstin	Teacher
McKeown, Kelli	Teacher
Minervini, Diana	Teacher
Mirena, Kyle	Teacher
Murphy, Alyssa	Teacher
Nowaczyk, Catherine	Teacher
Pittenger, Sarah	Teacher
Richardson, Jennifer	Teacher - Part Time
Romano, Jennifer	Librarian/Media Specialist
Ronsini, Debra	Teacher
Scott, Michael	Teacher
Seminara, Dara	Teacher
Smith, Karen	Teacher
Sobczak, Marlene	Teacher/Math Coach
Sprofera, Lisa	Teacher
Stiles, Marybeth	Guidance Counselor
Sudak, Elizabeth	Teacher
Sylvester, Kristen	Teacher
Weatherwalks, Allison	Teacher

Wolfe, Kathleen	Speech/Language Specialist
Wynne, Justin	Teacher
Zur, Jessica	Teacher

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

2. Motion to approve contract renewals for the 2025-2026 school year for the non-tenured staff members as recommended by the Superintendent.

Name	2025 – 2026 Assignment
Carroll, Declan	Teacher
Cole, Amy	Teacher
Ervey, Kimberly	Teacher
Grzymko, Kristen	Teacher
Kayser, Casey	Teacher
Moles, Erin	Teacher
Montanaro, Jillian	Psychologist
Mosner, Kyle	Teacher
Secola, Meganne	Teacher
Tucker, Rachel	Occupational Therapist
VanHaste, Ashley	Teacher
Walilko, Chelsea	Part-time Speech.Language Specialist

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

3. Motion to approve contract renewals for the 2025 - 2026 school year for the following staff members, at the recommendation of the Superintendent:

Administrative Staff List

Name	Assignment
Bollette, Jon Paul	Principal/Coordinator of Instruction
Constantino, Karen	Business Admin./Board Secretary
Housel, Michael	Head of Buildings & Grounds

Paraprofessionals

Name	Assignment
Bruzzese, Luisa	Part-Time Special Education Aide
D'Annibale, Joanna	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Decker, Christine	Part-Time Special Education Aide
DiMarzo, Kimberly	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Francisco, Michele	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Gallucci, Tanya	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Kerrick, Luke	Part-Time Special Education Aide

Mull, Jacqueline	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Mull, Kathleen	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Munk, Stephanie	Part-Time Special Education Aide
O'Neill, Amelia	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Piercey, Diane	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Piontkowski, Gail	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Rafferty, Kelly	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Salmon-Manni, Angela	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Schumann, Denise	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Velez, Ana	Part-Time Special Education Aide

Administrative Assistants

Name	Assignment
DeGraw, Linda	Full-Time Business Office Administrative Assistant
DiLorenzo, Linda	Treasurer-Part Time
Faraone, Janice	Full-Time CST/Main Office Administrative Assistant
Hannemann, Patti	Full-Time Superintendent's Administrative Assistant
Kaiser, Nancy	Full-Time Assistant to BA
Hardy, Marissa	Part-Time Principal's Administrative Assistant

Custodial Staff

Name	Assignment
Hassel, James	Part-Time Day Custodian
Jennings, Samantha	Full-Time Night Custodian
Rosselli, Scott	Full-Time Day Custodian
Shatrowskas, Matthew	Full-Time Night Custodian
Wallace, James	Full-Time Night Custodian

Aftercare Staff

Name	Assignment
Bene, Carol	Aftercare Assistant
Borgognoni, Abbi	Aftercare Assistant
D'Annibale, Karen	Lead Aftercare Assistant
Machacheck, Susan	Aftercare Assistant

Technicians

Name	Assignment
Dierling, Patrick	Part-time Computer Technician

School Security Officers

Name	Assignment
Shotwell, Jeffrey	Part-time School Security Officer
Wikander, Scott	Part-time School Security Officer

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

4. Motion to approve the 2025 summer work schedule for the following professional staff members, as recommended by the Superintendent at the hourly rate, as per their contract:

Name	Position	Schedule Not to Exceed
Jillian Montenaro	School Psychologist	10 hours
TBD	Speech Therapist	10 hours
Tiffany Lutz	Social Worker	10 hours
Cori Harrington	Technology	75 hours
Marybeth Stiles	Guidance	35 hours
Kristen Sylvester	Reading Coach	20 hours
Marlene Sobczak	Math Coach	20 hours
Rachael Tucker	Occupational Therapist	20 hours
Sarah Pittenger	ESY - Wilson Instruction	12 hours
Kristen Sylvester	ESY - Wilson Instruction	12 hours

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

5. Motion to approve Rachael Tucker as part time, 0.8 Occupational Therapist for the 2024-2025 school year, effective April 30, 2025 pending availability at Masters Step 1, at a rate of \$55,821.60 (\$69,777.00 X .8) prorated, with no benefits, pending paperwork, as per the Superintendent.

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

6. Motion to approve Beth Denuto as the after school Crochet Class monitor for 7th & 8th graders to be run on May 8, 15, 22, 29 and June 5, 2025, from 3:15 to 4:15 at a rate of \$43.84 per hour.

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NEW BUSINESS TOPICS

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XII. BOARD COMMENTS

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion that the Board of Education shall adjourn at _____pm.

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

Next Meeting Date: May 21, 2025

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.