

GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
Regular Meeting
February 19, 2025

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Green Hills School - Library

I. CALL TO ORDER at 7pm by President Bilik

A. FLAG SALUTE led by President Bilik

B. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT-Read by President Bilik

“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	Present
Mrs.	Marie Bilik	2026	Present
Mrs.	Ann Marie Cooke	2027	Present
Mrs.	Alyssa Eisner	2027	Present
Mrs.	Heather Ellersick	2027	Present
Mrs.	Amy Jones	2025	Present
Mrs.	Maureen McGuire	2026	Present
Mrs.	Kristin Post	2025	Present
Dr.	Melissa Vela	2026	Present
Dr.	Jennifer Cenatiempo, Superintendent		Present
Mrs.	Karen Constantino, SBA		Present

D. Mission-Read by Mrs. Jones

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.

Motion to amend the agenda as written to include the addendum.

Motion-Mrs. Post Second- Mrs. McGuire

Motion: Amend agenda as written		Mrs.	Mrs.	Mrs.	Mr.	Mrs.	Mrs.	Dr.	Mrs.	Mrs.	All in
	Yes	McGuire	Ellersick	Eisner	Bilik	Post	Jones	Vela	Cooke	Bilik	Favor
	No										X
Motion-Post	Abstain										
Second-McGuire	Absent										

II. PRESENTATIONS

A. Initial Budget Planning Presentation by Dr. Jennifer Cenatiempo

-Discussed the need for a budget workshop to be scheduled on March 3, 2025

-DCA Regionalization Study

-Discuss preliminary budget to be adopted on March 12, 2% tax levy increase

-Received notice that should not be losing more than 3% in state aid, over the years we have lost more than \$1.2M in state aid funding, we have increased our choice sears to 54 with special dispensation, anticipating overall state aid to be flat with the anticipated increase in choice aid, state aid figures are available 48 hours after the governor's address

Motion to add a Board of Education Budget Workshop meeting on March 3, 2025

Motion-Mrs. Ellersick Second-Mrs. Jones

Motion: BOE Meeting-Workshop on 3/3/25		Mrs.	Mrs.	Mrs.	Mr.	Mrs.	Mrs.	Dr.	Mrs.	Mrs.	All in
	Yes	McGuire	Ellersick	Eisner	Bilik	Post	Jones	Vela	Cooke	Bilik	Favor
	No										X
Motion-Ellersick	Abstain										
Second-Jones	Absent										

-BOE members Mrs. Post and Mr. Bilik mentioned that they may have conflicts the night of March 3rd.

-Also discussed was how many kindergarteners have registered to date: 32, and our student mobility rate is low.

B. Mid - Year iReady Presentation and High Impact Tutoring Update by Dr. Jennifer Cenatiempo

-Seeing lots of growth

-Grades 2 through 8 results-why are we so far behind? Intervention is essential. We are having small group and individual instruction after school and on Saturday mornings

-Continue to focus on math results, starting to close gaps

III. CORRESPONDENCE

-None

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA TOPICS-None at 7:32pm

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.

V. VARIOUS REPORTS

A. NEWTON BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE - Mrs. Cooke

Educators of the Year: Kristin Gaitan – NHS Theresa Hough – NHS

Board Business: Memorialized Vote for President and Vice-President (Sending Districts Only)

Approved the 2025-2026 School Calendar

Approved 2024-25 Student Safety Data Summary through December 31, 2024.

Approved the annual audit as prepared by Nisivoccia & Company, LLP with one recommendation.

Approved the donation of twenty (20) Triton Smart Sensors, with six (6) years of Triton Cloud subscription service, warranty, and technical support from the Sussex County Division of Health.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 25, 2025 at 7:00 pm

B. PTA UPDATE - Mrs. Post

-No meeting since we last met

-Continue to work on the planning of the following events: Book Fair, Tricky Tray, Middle School Glow Dance, mother/son and father/daughter events and field day

C. SCESC UPDATE-Mr. Bilik

-Explained what a consortium is, spoke about Norther Hills Academy, working on keeping rate increases low, working on their budget

D. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE-Mrs. Eisner

In recent legislative sessions, several bills have been enacted or are under consideration that impact our school district. Below is a summary of key developments:

1. Board Governance and Elections

- **Increased Signature Requirement for School Board Candidates:** Effective January 1, 2025, candidates for school board elections must collect a minimum of 25 signatures on their nominating petitions, an increase from the previous requirement of 10. This change aims to align New Jersey's standards with neighboring states and ensure manageable ballots for voters.
- **Rescheduling of June 2025 Primary Election:** The primary election originally set for June 3, 2025, has been rescheduled to June 10, 2025, to accommodate a period of religious observance. The Secretary of State will inform all relevant parties of this change promptly.

2. Curriculum and Instruction

- **Establishment of the Office of Learning Equity and Academic Recovery:** A new office within the New Jersey Department of Education has been created to address learning disparities and support academic

recovery efforts. This initiative underscores the state's commitment to educational equity. citeturn0search

- **Universal Literacy Screenings and Professional Development:** Legislation now requires universal literacy screenings for students from kindergarten through third grade. Additionally, it mandates professional development for educators to enhance literacy instruction, aiming to bolster early reading skills among students.

3. School Funding

- **Comprehensive Review of School Funding Components:** The upcoming Educational Adequacy Report will include a thorough review of specific elements of school funding. This effort seeks to ensure a fair and effective allocation of resources across districts.
- **Transparency in State School Aid Calculations:** The New Jersey Department of Education is directed to create an online portal providing access to data and calculations used in determining state school aid. This platform will allow districts and the public to understand and estimate the effects of changes in enrollment, property values, and income on state aid allocations.

4. School Security

- **Mandatory Reporting of Cybersecurity Incidents:** Legislation requires municipalities, counties, and school districts to report cybersecurity incidents. This measure aims to enhance the state's ability to respond to and mitigate the effects of such incidents, thereby protecting sensitive information and maintaining the integrity of educational operations.

E. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mrs. Bilik

-Attended all committee meetings, attended training on Board's role, attended TDC meeting and the fundraising breakfast at Applebee's

F. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Dr. Cenatiempo

HIB: There are 5 HIB to report since the last BOE meeting with 4 unfounded and 1 founded HIB.

Drills: Fire Drill - 2/10/25
Security Drill - 1/23/25

Meetings Attended

County Reunification Planning Meeting, 1/17/25, SEPAG Meeting, 1/22/25, AI Informational Meeting, 1/23/25, Administrative Assistant Meeting, 1/23/25, TDC Sub Committee Meetings, 1/30/25, NJSBA What's Brewing in Education, 1/31/25, NJASA Training on ICE and School Requirements, 2/5/25 NJCEE Training, 2/5/25, NJASA Women in Leadership Meeting, 2/6/25, Roundtable Meeting, 2/11/25 Finals site, Website Design Meeting, 2/12/25

Special Events

Great Kindness Challenge hosted by Ms. Stiles, Mr. Bollette, and our students during the week of 1/27/25
Play Rehearsals Ongoing
Basketball Seasons ended with both teams playing very well and making a lot of great memories
Ski Club ran all 5 sessions concluding on 2/7/25
Kindergarten Registration was held from 2/11/25-2/13/25. It will continue to be an ongoing process to register any new students. We currently have 32 students registered.

Preschool Enrollment – As per our website, we will have 8 open general education spots. The cost is \$700 per month or \$7,000 for the year. The program will run from 8:20 am – 2:45 pm daily. Application deadline for initial entry is May 1st. Should there be more than 8 Green applicants there will be a lottery held the following day. If there are any spots left open after the May 1st deadline, at that time students from other towns may apply for entry. At this time we have 8 students interested in the general education program.

Weather Related Events 24/25 School Year

- 11/22/24 – Delayed Opening
- 12/5/14 – Delayed Opening
- 12/16/24 – Delayed Opening
- 2/6/25 – Snow Day due to the Icy Conditions

34 High Impact And Title 1 Students Attending T and R Sessions after school
7 Saturday Morning Students Attending

- G. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT - Mrs. Constantino
 - Working on the 25-26SY budget
 - Attended Pension Training, Committee Meetings, TDC Meeting
 - Withdrawing from Maintenance Reserve, State Inspection for the ROD grant was completed, Sound System is on track to be installed over spring break

- H. TDC REPORT - Mrs. Cooke
 - Virtual meeting on 2/6 due to the weather. Updates on each school were given. 4/7 is the next meeting to be held at Green Hills School

VI. DISCUSSION ACTION ITEMS

- None

VII. BOARD BUSINESS - Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke

- A. Motion to accept minutes of the following meetings:
 - 1. Regular Meeting of January 15, 2025. (Attachment)
- B. Motion to accept the HIB Reports from the January 15, 2025 meeting.
- C. Motion to approve the Educational Services Commission of Morris County Rates for Service for the 2025-2026 school year. (Attachment)
- D. Motion to approve the Sussex County Educational Services Commission Rates for Service for the 2025-2026 school year. (Attachment)

- E. Motion to approve Aiden Post to complete his Eagle Scout Project, school garden beautification, during the spring of 2025.
- F. Motion to approve the Green Township School District 2025-2026 school calendar.

Motion – Mrs. Cooke Second – Mrs. Post
/Roll Call/

Motion: Board Business VII A-F		Mrs.	Mrs.	Mrs.	Mr.	Mrs.	Mrs.	Dr.	Mrs.	Mrs.
		Mcguire	Ellersick	Eisner	Bilik	Jones	Post	Vela	Cooke	Bilik
	Yes	All except noted.	X	X	X	X	All except noted.	X	X	X
	No									
Motion: Cooke	Abstain	B.					E.			
Second:Post	Absent									

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

-None

IX. NEW BUSINESS

-None

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. **CURRICULUM** - Mrs. Maureen McGuire, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve the following professional development request(s):

<u>Staff Member</u>	<u>Conference Name</u>	<u>Provider/Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Costs</u>
Lori Homentosky	Strengthen Students' ELA Skills Gr 6 - 12	Institute for Educational Development VIRTUAL	3/21/25	Registration: \$295.00
Jeffrey Shotwell	2025 School Security Reimagined: Leveraging Next-Gen Tech to Safeguard Our Schools	Hilton Garden Inn 375 Mt. Hope Rockaway, NJ 07866	3/12/25	No Cost to BOE
Karen Constantino	NJASBO Annual Conference	Ocean Casino 500 Boardwalk Atlantic City, NJ 08401	6/4-6/6/2025	Registration: \$500.00 Accommodations: \$248.00 Meals/Incidentals: OMB rate <u>Mileage: \$138.18</u> Est.Total Cost: \$886.18

1. Motion to retroactively approve the following professional development request(s):

<u>Staff Member</u>	<u>Conference Name</u>	<u>Provider/Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Costs</u>
Patti Hannemann Janice Faraone Marissa Hardy	Real Time User Experience RXP 2025	Real Time VIRTUAL	2/4-6/25	No Cost to BOE

2. 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>
Christine Malloy Lori Homentosky Catherine Nowiczky	7th	Alegrías en la Nacional	239 W. 14th Street NYC, NY	3/25/25	Transportation: \$1,250.00 No Cost to the BOE
Kristen Grzymko	8th	Washington DC Trip	Washington DC	June 3-5 2025	No Cost to the BOE

3. Motion to approve the following staff members as chaperones for the 8th grade trip to Washington DC, June 3 - 5, 2025 at \$165/person per night:

JP Bollette (Administrator)
Kerry Burneko (Nurse)
Kristen Grzymko
Catherine Nowaczyk
Justin Wynne
Brian Martin
Marybeth Stiles

4. Motion to approve a disbursement from the 8th grade Student Activities account in the amount of \$11,640.00, payable to DoubleTree, for 2 nights accommodations and two breakfasts during the 8th grade class trip to Washington DC, June 3 - 5, 2025.

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

5. Motion to approve a disbursement from the 8th grade Student Activities account in the amount of \$2,700.00, payable to Old Town Trolley Tours during the 8th grade class trip to Washington DC, in June 2025.
6. Motion to approve disbursement from from the 8th grade Student Activities account in the amount of \$1,500.00, payable to California Pizza Kitchen for dinner during the 8th grade class trip to Washington DC, in June 2025.

7. Motion to approve My Limousine Service to provide (1) 56-passenger luxury motorcoach with lavatory for the Washington DC trip June 3 - 5 2025, with the chauffeur to remain with the group for the duration of the trip, at a cost of \$8,300.00 plus parking fees.
8. Motion to approve the following disbursement from the 8th grade Student Activities account for the 8th grade dance on May 28, 2025 at a cost of \$44.95 per person, plus 18% gratuity, 7.5% administrative fee, with a guarantee of 45 students, and an additional \$125.00 for the security guard. The \$500.00 deposit is due upon approval, payable to Lake Mohawk Country Club.
9. Motion to approve disbursement from the 8th grade Student Activities account in the amount of \$650.00, for the Classic Event Package from North Jersey Entertainment to provide a DJ for the 8th grader dance to be held at the Lake Mohawk Country Club on May 28, 2025.
10. Motion to approve the California Pizza Kitchen Fundraiser Agreement, in which the 8th graders on the Washington DC trip will produce a flyer provided by CPK and in turn the 8th grade class will get 20% of their net food and beverage purchases, excluding tax, gratuity, gift cards and retail purchases excluded, donated back to the class within 60 days. Monies received from the fundraiser will go towards the Class of 2029's Class Gift.
11. Motion to approve Newton High School Theater's preview of Catch Me If You Can to perform at Green Hills School on March 6, 2025.
12. Motion to approve student artwork to be submitted to SCCC as part of the Teen Arts 2025 program, at a total cost of \$425.00, for students to attend and for their entries into the program, partially funded by the Art Club.
13. Motion to approve the dates for Extended School Year for identified special education students on the following dates and times: July 7th through August 1, 2025 from 8:30 am to 11: 30 am.
14. Motion to approve the 7th & 8th grade classes to help work the concession stand selling pizza at the PTA's Line Dancing Night, to be held on March 14th from 4:00 - 9:00, with monies earned being split between the two classes.
15. Motion to approve the 8th grade class to participate in the Green Township Clean Communities Fundraiser, on Saturday, May 17, 2025 from 9:00 - 12:00.
16. Motion to approve the 5th grade class to participate in the following fundraisers for their Camp Mason Trip in October 2025:

Clothing Drive at Green Township School District from March 10 - 19, 2025.

Green Township Clean Communities Fundraiser, on Saturday, May 17, 2025 from 9:00 - 12:00

17. Motion to approve the following field trip:

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Trip</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Christine Malloy Brian Martin Allison Weatherwalks	6th	Riviera Maya	116 US HWY 46 Rockaway, NJ	3/10/25	Lunch: \$15 per person Transportation: \$700.00 No Cost to the BOE

Motion – Mrs. McGuire Second- Dr. Vela
/Roll Call/

<u>Motion: Curriculum A.1.-17 (as amended)</u>		Dr. Vela	Mrs. Ellersick	Mrs. Eisner	Mr. Bilik	Mrs. Post	Mrs. Mcguire	Mrs. Jones	Mrs. Cooke	Mrs. Bilik
	Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	No									
Motion: McGuire	Abstain									
Second: Vela	Absent									

B. FINANCE - Mrs. Kristin Post, Chairperson

January 2025 Financial Reports (attachment)

1. Motion to approve the General Fund bills list for January 16, 2025 through February 19, 2025 for a total of \$1,109,059.68 (attachment)
2. Motion to accept the Board Secretary's monthly certification, as attached, and that as of January 31, 2025, 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.
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 January 31, 2025 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.
4. Motion to accept the financial reports from the Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of January 31, 2025.
5. Motion to approve transfers for January 2025.
6. Motion to approve the disbursements from January 16, 2025 through February 19, 2025 for the Student Activities Account in the amount of \$2,613.10, Cafeteria Account of \$0.00, and the Business Office Petty Cash Account in the amount of \$30.78. (Attachment)
7. Motion to approve the 2025-2026 Northern Hills Academy Tuition Rates and Fees for Services, CST & Internet Services, Administrative Support, Professional Development (in service) and Assessment fees. (Rate sheet attached)
8. Motion to approve the following resolution:

Resolution
Waiver of Requirements
Special Education Medicare Initiative (SEMI) Program

Whereas, NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district's participation in the Special Education Medicare Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2025-2026 school year, and

Whereas, the Green Township Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than 40 Medicaid eligible classified students,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Green Township Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Sussex an appropriate waiver of the requirements of NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2025-2026 school year.

FY 2026 Reimbursement Revenue Projection

Medicaid-Eligible/Special Education Student Count per NJ SMART 10/15/24 snapshot	21
District Projected Reimbursement Revenue:	\$1,940.40
District Budgeted Reimbursement Revenue Requirement:	\$1,746.36

Motion - Mrs. Cooke Second - Mrs. Jones
 /Roll Call/

Motion: Finance B 1.-8.		Mrs. Eisner	Mrs. McGuire	Mrs. Jones	Mrs. Ellersick	Mrs. Post	Mr. Bilik	Dr. Vela	Mrs. Cooke	Mrs. Bilik
	Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	No									
Motion: Cooke	Abstain									
Second: Jones	Absent									

C. OPERATIONS - Mr. CJ Bilik, Chairperson

1. Motion to withdraw \$88,254.95 from the maintenance reserve for required maintenance.
 (Attachment)

Motion - Mr Bilik Second – Dr. Vela
 /Roll Call/

Motion: Operations C. 1.		Mrs. Jones	Mrs. Post	Mr. Bilik	Mrs. Eisner	Dr. Vela	Mrs. Mcguire	Mrs. Ellersick	Mrs. Cooke	Mrs. Bilik
	Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	No									
Motion: Bilik	Abstain									
Second: Vela	Absent									

D. PERSONNEL - Dr. Melissa Vela, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve the leave request of employee ID#1141, designated as follows for on or about the following days:

Designation	Use of Days
Use of Sick Days Use of Personal Days Use of Family Illness Days	10 Sick Days 3 Personal Days 3 Family Illness Days (March 17-April 7, 2025)
Unpaid Leave	April 8, 2025-June 30, 2025

2. Motion to accept the resignation of Alison Weatherwalks as the Spring STEM/STEAM Assistant.
3. Motion to approve Kristin Grzymko as the Spring STEM/STEAM Assistant.
4. Motion to retroactively approve Kristen Sylvester as the Reading Specialist and Title I Coordinator for the Title I extended day learning program which will be implemented during a 10 week intensive from 1/21/25 to 3/27/25. Ms. Sylvester will support all facets of extended day learning including but not limited to the management of student assessment data, selection of students for support in the program, parent communication, staff support, and student instructional support at a rate of \$50 an hour for up to 20 hours not to exceed \$1,000 to be paid from the Title I funds.
5. Motion to approve Janice Lawrey as Main Office substitute for the 2024-2025 school year, pending paperwork, at the recommendation of the Superintendent at a rate of \$115 per diem.

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

6. Motion to approve Carlos Salazar as substitute custodian for the 2024-2025 school year, at an hourly rate of \$20.00 with no medical benefits, pending criminal history, background check and paperwork, at the recommendation of the Superintendent.
7. Motion to approve Suzanne Ploch, as Library Leave Replacement, starting February 20, 2025 through March 17, 2025, on Step 1 of the Guide, at a rate of \$63,777, prorated, with no medical benefits, at the recommendation of the Superintendent.
8. Motion to approve the termination of employee #1061 effective March 21, 2025, at the recommendation of the Superintendent.

9. Motion to approve Kimberly Unhoch as substitute School Security Officer for the 2024-2025 school year at a rate of \$36.12/hour with no medical benefits, pending criminal history, background check and paperwork, at the recommendation of the Superintendent.
10. Motion to approve Dr. Sanjeevani Jain of Highland Psychiatric Associates to perform evaluations for the school for the 2024-2025 school year at a rate of \$1,250.00 per evaluation.
11. Motion to approve Scott Roselli as a custodian for the 2024-2025 school year, starting February 20, 2025, or upon receipt of paperwork including criminal history and background check, at a rate of \$45,000, prorated, with benefits, at the recommendation of the Superintendent.
12. Motion to approve Iryna Coleman as part time interventionist for the 2024-2025 school year, starting February 20, 2025, or upon receipt of paperwork including criminal history and background check, at a rate of \$48,922.38, for 5.5 hours/day, prorated, without benefits, at the recommendation of the Superintendent. This position is not a tenure track position.

Motion – Dr. Vela Second – Mrs. Post
/Roll Call/

Motion: Personnel D. 1-12.		Mr. Bilik	Mrs. Post	Mrs. Jones	Mrs. Eisner	Dr. Vela	Mrs. Mcguire	Mrs. Ellersick	Mrs. Cooke	Mrs. Bilik
	Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	No									
Motion: Vela	Abstain									
Second: Post	Absent									

E. POLICY - Mrs. Heather Ellersick, Chairperson

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

P 5533, Student Smoking
P 5701, Academic Integrity
P 5710, Student Grievance
P 7441, Electronic Surveillance In School Buildings and On School Grounds

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

P 5512 Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying
P 5516 Use of Electronic Communication
R 5516 Use of Electronic Communication

Motion – Mrs. Ellersick Second – Mrs. McGuire
/Roll Call/

Motion: Policy E 1.-2.		Mrs. Eisner	Mrs. Mcguire	Mrs. Jones	Mrs. Ellersick	Ms. Post	Mr. Bilik	Dr. Vela	Mrs. Cooke	Mrs. Bilik
	Yes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	No									
Motion: Ellersick	Abstain									
Second: McGuire	Absent									

XI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NEW BUSINESS TOPICS at 8pm, None, Closed at 8:01pm.

This public session is designed for members of the public to speak on non- 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.

XII. CLOSED MEETING

Closed Meeting Motion was read by President Bilik at 8:02pm.

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: b,c & i

Motion – Mrs. Ellersick Second – Mrs. Post

Roll Call/

Motion: Executive		Mrs. Jones	Mrs. Mcguire	Mrs. McGuire	Mrs. Ellersick	Mrs. Post	Mr. Bilik	Dr. Vela	Mrs. Cooke	Mrs. Bilik	All in Favor
	Yes										X
	No										
Motion: Ellersick	Abstain										
Second: Post	Absent										

XIII. RECONVENE

Motion to reconvene into public session at 8:38pm.

Motion –Dr. Vela Second – Mr. Bilik
/Roll Call/

XIV. BOARD COMMENTS

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion that the Board of Education shall adjourn at 8:58pm.

Motion – Dr. Vela Second – Mr. Bilik
/Roll Call/

All in favor-All board members responded “Aye”.

Next Meeting Date:

March 3, 2025-Budget Workshop (to be advertised)

March 12, 2025-Regular Meeting

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.