**GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA**

**Budget Planning Meeting**

**March 1, 2024**

**Time: 6:00 p.m. ` Place: Green Hills School - Library**

**I**. **CALL TO ORDER** at 6pm

**A. FLAG SALUTE –**Led by President Bilik

**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

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| Mr. | CJ Bilik | 2024 | Present, Arrived at 6:04pm |
| Mrs. | Marie Bilik | 2026 | Present |
| Mrs. | Ann Marie Cooke | 2024 | Present |
| Ms.. | Crystal Bockbader | 2025 | Present |
| Dr. | Noah Haiduc-Dale | 2025 | Present,  Left at 7:47pm |
| Ms. | Kristin Post | 2024 | Present |
| Ms. | Maureen McGuire | 2026 | Present |
| Ms. | Holly Roller | 2025 | Present |
| Dr. | Melissa Van Blarcom | 2026 | Present |
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| Dr. | Jennifer Cenatiempo, Superintendent |  | Present |
| Mrs. | Karen Constantino, SBA |  | Present |

**D. Mission-** Read by Dr. Haiduc-Dale

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.

**E. Superintendent Report**  - Dr. Cenatiempo

HIB: There are 2 founded HIB to report.

**II**.  **PRESENTATIONS**

1. Budget Workshop-Dr. Cenatiempo presented the tentative budget to the BOE.

-Board members discussed the following:

Daily sub pay, class size, intervention, transportation and can we get creative with it, sections per grade level, ESY progam, are kids getting what they need, serving the neediest learners

-Mrs. Post asked if the PTA can fund anything.

-Priority of the budget: small class size, add more mental health professionals, no teacher staff cuts, maintain staff and programming, absorbed one retirement and one administrative assistant, added a full time psychologist

-Purchase a van for local special education routes, estimated about $3k/person to train

-Nothing given up in the budget

-Asked about an organizational/flow chart

-Budget presentation posted on website

**III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA TOPICS** at 8:15, None

This public session is designed for members of the public to speak on agenda items pertaining to the Green Hills School District. 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 it’s right thereafter not to respond. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three (3) minutes in duration as timed by the Board of Education Vice President. Comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. No participant may speak more than once during each public comment session. The speaker must address the President and not individual Board Members, the Superintendent or the audience. Please state your first and last name and address for the record.

**IV. CLOSED MEETING**

Closed Meeting Motion was read by Mrs. Bilik at 8:16pm. No action will be taken.

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

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 “a” and “b”.

Motion- Dr. VanBlarcom Second- Mr. Bilik

Roll Call/

All in favor, responded with “aye”.

**V. RECONVENE**

Motion to reconvene into public session at 8:30pm.

Motion – Mr. Bilik Second – Mrs. Post

/Roll Call/

**-**The board decided to add a section at the end of the agenda for “Board Comments” going forward.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion that the Board of Education shall adjourn at 8:36pm.

Motion – Dr. VanBlarcom Second – Mr. Bilik

/Roll Call/

**Next Meeting Date:**

March 20, 2024 Regular BOE Meeting