## GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION REORGANIZATION MEETING **MINUTES**

#### **January 2, 2019**

Place: Green Hills School Time: 7:30 p.m.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER BY THE BOARD SECRETARY **TIME: 7:30pm**

[The Board Secretary chaired the meeting until the Board President was elected.]

#### A. FLAG SALUTE

#### **B. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT**

"This is a reorganization and regular meeting of the Green Township Board of Education held for the purpose of reorganizing the Board and other board business. In compliance with Chapter 31, Laws of 1975, the notice of this meeting was advertised in the New Jersey Herald. Copies of the agenda of this meeting were appropriately posted and made available for the public."

#### C. OFFICIAL RESULTS OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

Official results of the annual school board election are as follows:

Three-year seats		
<b>Candidates Name</b>	# of Votes	% of Votes
Ann Marie Cooke	1,198	44.00%
Michael Rose	1,173	43.08%
*Kristin Post	104	
*Write in winner		

#### D. OATH OF OFFICE

The Board Secretary administered the oath of office to newly elected Board of Education members:

- -Ann Marie Cooke
- -Michael Rose
- -Kristin Post

#### E. ROLL CALL

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Mrs.	Marie Bilik	MB	present
Mrs.	Ann Marie Cooke	AMC	present
Mr.	Jonathan Ernst	JE	present
Mr.	Matthew Fox	MRF	present
Mr.	Scott Guzzo	SG	present
Mr.	Noah Haiduc-Dale	NHD	present
Mrs.	Denise Kelly-Jones	DKJ	present
Ms.	Kristin Post	KP	present
Mr.	Michael Rose	MPR	present
Mr.	John Nittolo, Superintendent		absent
Mrs.	Sallyann McCarty, SBA		present

#### II. REORGANIZATION MEETING

1. The President and the Vice President shall be elected by paper ballot.

#### 2. Election of the Board President

The Board Secretary asked for nominations for Board President.

Mr. Fox nominated Marie Bilik for Board President. Mrs. Cooke seconded the motion.

The Board Secretary asked if there were any further nominations for Board President. There were none. The nominations for Board President were closed.

The Board members voted by paper ballot all votes were in favor of Marie Bilik.

The President, Marie Bilik was elected by a paper ballot vote of a majority of Board members in attendance.

The president Marie Bilik presided over the meeting from this point forward.

#### 3. Election of Board Vice-President

Marie Bilik Board President asked for nominations for the Board Vice-President

Mr. Ernst nominated Mrs. Cooke for Board Vice President.

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The Board President asked if there were any further nominations for Board Vice President. There were none. The nominations for Board Vice President were closed.

The Board members voted by paper ballot all votes were in favor of Ann Marie Cooke.

#### **Board Delegate Designations**

- 4. Motion to appoint Mr. Fox as delegate to the Sussex County School Boards Association.
- 5. Motion to appoint Mrs. Bilik as delegate to the New Jersey School Boards Association.
- 6. Motion to appoint Mrs. Cooke as delegate to the Newton Board of Education.
- 7. Motion to appoint Mr. Rose and Mr. Haiduc-Dale as New Jersey School Boards Legislative Chairpersons.
- 8. Motion to appoint \_\_\_\_\_\_ as delegate to the Sussex County Educational Services Commission.

Tabled

- 9. Motion to appoint Mrs. Kelly-Jones as PTA liaison.
- 10. Motion to appoint Ms. Post as representative to the Green Township Committee.

Motion to approve the delegate items 4-7 and 9-10 made by Mrs. Bilik seconded by Mr. Fox. The motions passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

#### III. 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 may be 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.

None

#### IV. BOARD BUSINESS

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1. Motion to approve the Board meeting calendar. (attached)

Motion to approve Board Business item 1 made by Mr. Fox seconded by Mrs. Kelly-Jones. The motions passed with a unanimous roll call vote.

#### V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### A. OPERATIONS

1. Motion to approve the following settlement:

**Be It Hereby Resolved**, that the Board of Education approve the settlement in the student matters captioned *R.M. and A.N. o/b/o A.M. v. Green Township Board of Education*, Agency Reference Number: 2018-27201, OAL Docket Number: EDS 05595-2018 and *Green Township Board of Education* v. *R.M. and A.N. o/b/o A.M.*, Agency Reference Number: 2018-27704, OAL Docket Number: EDS 05596-2018, in accordance with the written terms provided to the Board which is on file in the office of the Business Administrator.

Motion to approve Operations item #1 made by Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Rose. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

	JE	MRF	SG	NHD	DKJ	KP	MPR	AMC	MB
Yes	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
No									
Abstain						X			
Absent									

#### **B.** PERSONNEL

1. Motion to approve the following:

Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the paid administrative leave of absence of Employee I. D.# 669 retroactive to December 20, 2018 until further notice.

Motion to approve Personnel item #1 made by Mrs. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Ernst. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

	JE	MRF	SG	NHD	DKJ	KP	MPR	AMC	MB
Yes	X	X	X	X			X	X	X

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No			X			
Abstain				X		
Absent						

#### ..... PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NEW BUSINESS TOPICS

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There was discussion about the posting of the agendas on the website. There was a question about the administrative leave motion.

#### VI. <u>CLOSED MEETING</u>

Closed Meeting Motion was read by Marie Bilik.

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.

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Motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing items (b) individual privacy, (h) attorney client privilege and (i) personnel – employment matters affecting a specific prospective or current employee. Motion made by Mrs. Bilik and seconded by Mr. Haiduc-Dale. The Board entered into executive session at 7:56pm.

#### VII. <u>RECONVENE</u>

The Board reconvened into public session at 8:38pm.

#### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Bilik and seconded by Mrs. Cooke at 8:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sallyann McCarty Board Secretary