

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

January 2, 2020

**Time: 7:31 p.m.**

**Place: Green Hills School**

**I. CALL TO ORDER BY THE BOARD SECRETARY      TIME: 7:31pm**

Mrs. McCarty, Board Secretary opened the meeting

**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>	<b># of Votes</b>	<b>% of Votes</b>
*Scott Guzzo	94	
Noah Haiduc-Dale	607	74.57%
*Rob Strasser	14	
*Write in winner		

**D. OATH OF OFFICE**

The Board Secretary administered the oath of office to Mr. Noah Haiduc-Dale and Mr. Scott Guzzo. Due to his absence from the board meeting Mr. Robert Strasser will be administered the oath of office at some other time.

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**E. ROLL CALL**

		<u>Term Expires</u>		<u>Roll Call</u>
Mrs.	Marie Bilik	2020	MB	Present
Mrs.	Ann Marie Cooke	2021	AMC	Present
Mr.	Matthew Fox	2020	MRF	Present
Mr.	Scott Guzzo	2022	SG	Present
Mr.	Noah Haiduc-Dale	2022	NHD	Present
Mrs.	Denise Kelly-Jones	2020	DKJ	Present
Ms.	Kristin Post	2021	KP	Present
Mr.	Michael Rose	2021	MPR	Present
Mr.	Rob Strasser	2022	RS	Absent
Dr.	Lydia Furnari			Present
Mrs.	Sallyann McCarty, SBA			Present

**II. REORGANIZATION MEETING**

1. The President shall be elected by a paper ballot vote of a majority of Board members in attendance.

The Vice President shall be elected by the same procedure as the President. All votes shall be recorded by the Secretary.

2. Election of Board President

Mrs. McCarty, Board Secretary, asked for nominations for the office of President.

Mrs. Marie Bilik was nominated by Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke and second by Mrs. Kristin Post. There were no further nominations.

Nominations for President were closed.

Board Secretary recorded and read the results from the paper ballots. All board members present voted in favor of Mrs. Bilik for Board President.

**The Board President Mrs. Bilik now presided over meeting from this point forward.**

3. Election of Board Vice-President

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Nominations:

Mrs. Bilik, Board President, asked for nominations for the office of Vice-President.

Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke was nominated for the office of Vice-President by Mrs. Denise Kelly-Jones and seconded by Mr. Michael Rose. There were no further nominations.

Nominations for Vice-President were now closed.

Board Secretary recorded and read the results from the paper ballots. All board members present voted in favor of Mrs. Cooke for Board Vice-President.

Board Delegate Designations

4. Motion made by Mrs. Cooke and second by Mrs. Kelly-Jones to appoint Kristin Post as delegate to the Sussex County School Boards Association. The motion passed with a verbal all in favor.
5. Motion made by Mr. Rose and second by Mr. Guzzo to appoint Mrs. Bilik as delegate to the New Jersey School Boards Association. The motion passed with a verbal all in favor.
6. Motion made by Mr. Rose and second by Mr. Guzzo to appoint Mrs. Cooke as delegate to the Newton Board of Education. The motion passed with a verbal all in favor.
7. Motion made by Mrs. Bilik and second by Mrs. Cooke to appoint Mr. Rose and Mrs. Kelly-Jones as New Jersey School Boards Legislative Chairpersons. The motion passed with a verbal all in favor.
8. Motion made by Mr. Rose and second by Mrs. Kelly-Jones to appoint Mrs. Bilik as delegate to the Sussex County Educational Services Commission. The motion passed with a verbal all in favor.
9. Motion made by Mr. Haiduc-Dale and second by Mrs. Post to appoint Mrs. Kelly-Jones as PTA liaison. The motion passed with a verbal all in favor.
10. Motion made by Mr. Rose second by Mrs. Post to appoint Mr. Guzzo as representative to the Green Township Committee. The motion passed with a verbal all in favor.

**III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA TOPICS**

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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**

1. Motion made by Mrs. Cooke, second by Mr. Fox to approve the Board meeting calendar. (attached). The motion passed by a verbal all in favor of the members present.
2. Board of Education Ethics Training was given by Marc Zitomer, Board Attorney

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NEW BUSINESS TOPICS**

This public session is designed for members of the public to speak on issues for Board consideration. 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. Members of the public are asked to state their name and address for the record.

None

**VI. CLOSED MEETING**

Closed Meeting Motion was read by Mrs. 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

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- 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
- j. Confidential student matters

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 item (b) Individual privacy, item (h) Attorney-client privilege and item (j) Confidential student matters; made by Mrs. Bilik second by Mrs. Kelly-Jones. The Board entered into executive session at 8:39pm.**

**VII. RECONVENE**

**Motion made by Mrs. Bilik second by Mr. Haiduc-Dale to reconvene into public session at 10:02pm. .**

Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby affirms the Administration’s finding in the HIB appeal case which was heard this evening in executive session; and

Be it further Resolved, that Board counsel is directed to prepare a written decision to the parent who appealed, explaining the basis for the Board’s decision as required by statute and policy.

**HIB motion made by Mrs. Cooke, second by Mrs. Kelly-Jones. The motion passed by a roll call vote of the members present.**

Dr. Furnari updated Board on the progress in finding a business administrator. A contract is in progress with Summit Management Solutions. They will provide a business administrator of record for \$625/day with additional support for \$125/hour. We are waiting for our insurance representative to get back to us regarding our insurance coverage for the business administrator provided through Summit Management Solutions. We are planning on having

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the motion on the January 15<sup>th</sup> agenda. Mrs. Bilik said she would like to meet the interim business administrator. A question was asked about who would be the board secretary? The business administrator of record would come in twice a month to cover the board meetings as the board secretary.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion to adjourn made by Mrs. Bilik, second by Mrs. Cooke. The Board adjourned at 10:13pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Sallyann McCarty  
Board Secretary