

**GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
Regular Meeting
September 10, 2019**

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: Green Hills School - Library

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. FLAG SALUTE

B. MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

“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

		<u>Term Expires</u>		<u>Roll Call</u>
Mrs.	Marie Bilik- President	2020	MB	Present
Mrs.	Ann Marie Cooke – Vice-President	2021	AMC	Present
Mr.	Jonathan Ernst	2019	JE	Absent
Mr.	Matthew Fox	2020	MRF	Present
Mr.	Scott Guzzo	2019	SG	Present
Mr.	Noah Haiduc-Dale	2019	NHD	Present
Mrs.	Denise Kelly-Jones	2020	DKJ	Arrived at 7:43 pm
Ms.	Kristin Post	2021	KP	Present
Mr.	Michael Rose	2021	MPR	Present
Dr.	Lydia Furnari			Present
Ms.	Sallyann McCarty, SBA			Present

D. MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission at Green is to educate every student in a safe and secure environment to become a confident and caring life-long learner, who can communicate and contribute positively to the changing needs of society. The district, in cooperation with the community, will provide an academic environment that values excellence, initiative, and diversity of our students and community, while supporting a program of studies that is congruent with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

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II. CORRESPONDENCE

None

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. VARIOUS REPORTS

A. NEWTON BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE – Mrs. Cooke reported the following:

**Newton Board of Education
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Superintendent's Report: New *identiMetrics* System installed at NHS. Increases efficiency in managing students who arrive late and tracks students who exit and enter campus for lunch.

New ITV room installed in cooperation with SCCC.

Dr. Greene distributed 2019-2020 Schedule of Activities for the *New Jersey Consortia for Excellence Through Equity-Northwest*.

School Business Administrator/

Board Secretary's Report: +/- 100 new students enrolled. K-12

Board Business: Approved the proposal from EI Associates to develop drawings and cost estimates for various uses for the West End Avenue property at a cost of \$3,800.

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Tuesday, September 24 at 7 pm

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B. PTA UPDATE – Mrs. Jones

Mrs. Bilik said she would like to see 100% participation by the Board members in the PTA.

C. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Mrs. Bilik

-On August 26th Mrs. Bilik attended the Sussex Educational meeting.

-Mrs. Bilik was a guest speaker at the Green retired teachers’ luncheon.

Mrs. Bilik spoke about the Superintendent search:

- The information meeting is held first,
- Then the advertisement is published,
- Dates need to be agreed upon and a calendar created.

D. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Dr. Lydia Furnari

- Presentation on Roles and Responsibilities – Superintendent Search Process (see attached)

Mrs. Kelly-Jones arrived at this point in the meeting at 7:43pm.

- Presentation: NJSBA Superintendent Search – Kathleen Helewa

E. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT – Mrs. McCarty

The Tri-District notes are on the google drive if any of the Board members wish to review them.

V. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

A. Superintendent Search – the Board members need to fill out the information sheet for the next meeting.

B. Motion to approve the request for the following PTA Fundraisers for the 2019-2020 school year from Dawn Geisinger:

- Calendar Raffle
- Brick Sales (to replace blank bricks in patio under the pavilion near playground)
- Paint and Sip (for adults offsite)
- Paint Night for families
- Valentines Dance

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Vendor Fair
Dine to Donate
Sky Zone Jump Night
Apparel Sales
Book Fair
Holiday Shop
Holiday Ornament
Box Tops
Graduation Signs

Motion to approve Discussion Action Items A, B made by Mrs. Cooke, second by Mr. Guzzo. The motion passed with a verbal all in favor.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

VII. NEW BUSINESS

None

VIII. BOARD BUSINESS – Ann Marie Cooke

- A. Motion to adopt the Student Code of Conduct for the 2019-2020 school year. **(attachment)**
- B. Motion to approve an addendum to the MOA between Green Township Board of Education and the Green Township Education Association.

Motion to approve Board Business Items A, B made by Mrs. Cooke, second by Mrs. Kelly-Jones. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

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

- C. Motion to approve the contract with New Jersey School Boards Association for their Standard Superintendent’s Search Services at the cost of \$7,000.00.

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Motion to approve Board Business Item C made by Mrs. Cooke, second by Mr. Rose. The motion passed with a roll call vote with Mr. Ernst being absent.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. CURRICULUM – Mr. Noah Haiduc-Dale, Chairperson –next meeting September 30th.

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>	
Marybeth Stiles	How to Investigate HIB Claims	NJASA/FEA – Legal One / Monroe Township, NJ	10/1/19	Registration Mileage/Tolls <i>Total</i>	\$150.00 \$33.64 \$183.64
Marybeth Stiles	Bullying Response & Prevention	NJASA/FEA – Legal One / Monroe Township, NJ	10/2/19	Registration Mileage/Tolls <i>Total</i>	\$150.00 \$33.64 \$183.64
Beth Voris	NJ Consortium for Gifted & Talented Programs Meeting	NJCGTP / Morris County Library	9/13/19	Registration Mileage/Tolls <i>Total</i>	\$None \$20.46 \$20.46

2. Motion to approve proposed field trips for the 2019-2020 school year as per the attached schedule. (**attachment**)

Motion to approve Curriculum Items 1, 2 made by Mr. Haiduc-Dale, second by Mrs. Cooke. The motion passed with a roll call vote with Mr. Ernst being absent.

B. OPERATIONS – Mr. Matthew Fox, Chairperson – The Operations committee hasn’t met since the prior meeting but plans to meet before the next Board meeting on September 18th.

1. Motion to approve Pass-It-Along to provide a student character education program for \$10,500 for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

Motion to approve Operation Item 1 made by Mr. Fox, second by Mr. Rose. The motion passed with a roll call vote with Mr. Ernst being absent.

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C. PERSONNEL – Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke, Chairperson

Mr. Haiduc-Dale left at this point in the meeting 9:19pm.

1. Motion to approve Michael O'Shea as a full-time night custodian for the 2019-2020 school year at \$34,000 a year pro-rated from the effective start date September 11, 2019, pending approval of his criminal history background check archiving request, as recommended by the Interim Superintendent. Hiring is on a provisional basis for up to 90 days pending completion of requirements and review of information required under P.L. 2018, c. 5.
2. Motion to approve Scott Rosselli as a substitute custodian for the 2019-2020 school year at \$12 per hour, as recommended by the Interim Superintendent.
3. Motion to retroactively approve Jolaine Moreland as a Part-Time Paraprofessional/Teacher Aide for the 2019-2020 school year at \$14.00 per hour beginning September 3, 2019, as recommended by the Interim Superintendent.
4. Motion to retroactively approve Ruth Regavich to transfer from Para Professional position to a Special Education/Intervention Teacher for the 2019-2020 school year at the salary of \$63,057.00 (MA Step 1) beginning September 3, 2019, as recommended by the Interim Superintendent.
5. Motion to approve movement on the salary guide for the 2019-2020 school year for Ann Marie VanSickle from MA-Step 11 at \$83,057 to MA+30 –Step 11 for \$86,057 as documented by official transcripts and verified/recommended by the Interim Superintendent. (Note: This motion is reapproved from the July 17th Board meeting to reflect the dollar amounts and proper step.)
6. Motion to approve Amy Cole and Jolaine Moreland as Substitute Childcare Assistants at the hourly rate of \$14.00, as recommended by the Interim Superintendent.
7. Motion to approve Tara Olezeski as a Childcare Assistant at the hourly rate of \$14.00, as recommended by the Interim Superintendent.

Motion to approve Personnel Items 1-7 made by Mr. Fox, second by Mrs. Cooke. The motion passed with a roll call vote with Mr. Ernst and Mr. Haiduc-Dale being absent.

D. POLICY COMMITTEE – Mrs. Denise Kelly-Jones, Chairperson:

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Mrs. Kelly-Jones said that the Policy Committee met yesterday. The next meeting will have the first reading for a number of policies.

E. NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE – Mr. Michael Rose, Chairperson

Mr. Rose said that the GTEA ratified the MOA. He also said that the Climate Committee met last week with the administration and staff.

X. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

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XI. 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
- 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 (g) Pending or anticipated litigation. Motion made by Mrs. Bilik and second by Mrs. Cooke. The Board entered into executive session at 9:23pm with a verbal all in favor.

XII. RECONVENE

Motion to reconvene into public session at 9:30pm. Motion made by Mrs. Cooke and second by Mr. Fox.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mrs. Bilik and second by Mrs. Cooke. The meeting was adjourned at 9:31pm with a verbal all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Sallyann McCarty
Board Secretary