

GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA

Budget & Regular Meeting

April 29, 2026

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Green Hills School - Library

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. FLAG SALUTE

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
Mrs.	Marie Bilik	2026	
Mrs.	Ann Marie Cooke	2027	
Mrs.	Alyssa Eisner	2027	
Mrs.	Heather Ellersick	2027	
Mrs.	Amy Jones	2028	
Mrs.	Kristin Korpos	2028	
Mrs.	Maureen McGuire	2026	
Mrs.	Kristin Post	2028	
Dr.	Melissa Vela	2026	
Dr.	Jennifer Cenatiempo, Superintendent		
Mrs.	Karen Constantino, SBA		

D. Mission

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. 2025-2026 District Goals

Goal 1: Bolster student performance in Mathematics through an efficient use of intervention and support, data collection and analysis, and grade level attention to skill development for all students.

Goal 2: Bolster student performance in English Language Arts through an efficient use of intervention and support, data collection and analysis, and grade level attention to skill development for all students.

Goal 3: Amplify the good through connectivity and belonging for all students by focusing attention on positive attributes, understanding challenges through the student lens, and empowering student voices and perspectives.

Goal 4: Analyze current and projected trajectory of fixed and known budget related data and develop a strategic plan to address short term financial stability in the district and longitudinal analysis to generate a financial forecast.

II. Public Hearing on the 2026-2027 School Budget

- 1. Motion to open the public hearing of the 2026-2027 School Budget.

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

Presentation of the 2026-2027 School Budget by Dr. Jennifer Cenatiempo

Public Comment - Accept Comment from the public on the 2026-2027 School Budget.

- 2. Motion to close the public hearing of the 2026-2027 School Budget.

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

III. ADOPT THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL BUDGET

- 1. Motion to adopt the 2026-2027 School Budget as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Green Township School District Board of Education in accordance with N.J.S.A 18A:7F-38, hereby approves the adoption of the 2026-2027 school year district budget as follows:

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUES</u>	<u>DEBT SERVICE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2026-2027 Total Expenditures	\$14,886,206	\$170,021	\$143,931	\$15,200,158
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$ 2,948,275	\$170,021	\$ 48,934	\$ 3,167,230
Taxes to be Raised	\$11,937,931	\$ 0	\$94,997	\$12,032,928

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Township School District Board of Education includes in the proposed budget the use of an Enrollment Adjustment of \$61,521. The purpose of this use will be to support the operations and programs of the school district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Township School District Board of Education includes in the proposed budget a withdrawal from the maintenance reserve in the amount of \$40,000 for required maintenance items; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Township School District Board of Education includes in the proposed budget a withdrawal from the Tuition Reserve in the amount of \$175,000. The purpose of this withdrawal is to fund tuition owed to Newton High School.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Township School District Board of Education includes in the proposed budget the use of the Health Care Cost Adjustment of \$120,000. The purpose of this use will be to support the operations and programs of the school district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Township School District Board of Education includes in the proposed budget a withdrawal from the Capital Reserve in the amount of \$285,000. The purpose of this withdrawal is to fund the septic tank repairs (\$100,000), roof repairs (\$150,000), and phone system upgrade (\$35,000).

\$ 61,521	Enrollment Adjustment
\$11,524,686	Prior Year 2025 - 2026 Current Expense Tax Levy
\$ 231,724	2% Current Expense Tax Levy Increase
\$ 120,000	Increase in Health Care Costs
\$11,937,931	Maximum District Tax Levy 2026-2027

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

2. Motion to approve the following resolution regarding travel and related expense Reimbursement maximum costs for 2026-2027 school year:

Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement

WHEREAS, the Green Township Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Green Township Board of Education established \$20,000 as the maximum travel amount for the 2025-2026 school year and has expended \$ 2,141.29 as of this date; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of \$20,000 for the 2026-2027 school year.

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

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

V. 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 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.

VI. VARIOUS REPORTS

A. NEWTON BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE - Mrs. Cooke

B. PTA UPDATE - Mrs. Post

C. SCESC UPDATE - Mrs. Bilik

D. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - Mrs. Eisner

E. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT - Mrs. Bilik

F. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - Dr. Cenatiempo

HIB: There are 0 HIB to report since the last BOE meeting.

Drills: Fire Drill - 4/24/26

Security Drill - 4/14/26

G. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT - Mrs. Constantino

VII. DISCUSSION ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Board Norms

VIII. BOARD BUSINESS - Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke

A. Motion to accept minutes of the following meetings:

- 1. Regular and Budget Workshop Meeting of April 15, 2026. (Attachment)

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

- 2. Executive Session of the Regular and Budget Workshop Meeting of April 15 , 2026.

Motion..... Second.....

/Roll Call/

B. Motion to accept the HIB report of HIB from the April 15, 2026 agenda.

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

C. Motion to accept the Board Norms for the Green Township Board of Education.

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

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. CURRICULUM - Mrs. Alyssa Eisner, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve the Green Hills Student Council to host a floor hockey tournament for grades 5 - 8, on May 8, 2026. Admission for players and spectators to be the donation of a non-perishable food item or health hygiene item which will in turn be donated to The Weekend Bag Project.

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

2. Motion to approve Marybeth Stiles to facilitate the Blair Day of Service on May 15, 2026, where high school students from Blair come to speak with our grades K-2 about social-emotional lessons.

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

B. FINANCE - Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke, Chairperson

March 2026 Financial Reports (attachment)

1. Motion to accept a donation in the amount of \$2,000 (Two Thousand Dollars) from Thor Labs to go towards the Green Hills School Robotics program.

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

C. OPERATIONS - Mrs. Maureen McGuire, Chairperson

D. PERSONNEL - Mrs. Kristin Post, Chairperson

1. Motion to approve the reduction of the school psychologist position from full time to .8 part time for the 26/27 school year.

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

2. Motion to approve the increase in the role of Physical Education and Health teacher from part time to full for the 26/27 school year.

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

3. Motion to approve contract renewals for the Tenured Teachers for the 2026-2027 school year as recommended by the Superintendent.

Name	2026 – 2027 Assignment
Bird, Steven	Teacher
Buckmaster-Miller, Suzanne	Teacher
Burneyko, Kerry	School Nurse
Cole, Amy	Teacher - Part Time
Colianni, Brianna	Teacher
DiSanti, Amanda	Teacher
Ervey, Kimberly	Teacher
Franciosi, Sandra	Teacher
Giller, Jessica	Teacher
Grzymko, Kristen	Teacher
Harrington, Cori	Teacher
Haugk, Laura	Teacher
Holley, Beth	Teacher
Homentosky, Lori	Teacher

Lavalley, Tara	Teacher
Lutz, Tiffany	Social Worker
Malloy, Christine	Teacher
Martin, Brian	Teacher
Martinka, Kerstin	Teacher
McKeown, Kelli	Teacher
Minervini, Diana	Teacher
Mirena, Kyle	Teacher
Moles, Erin	Teacher
Nowaczyk, Catherine	Teacher
Pittenger, Sarah	Teacher
Richardson, Jennifer	Teacher - Part Time
Romano, Jennifer	Librarian/Media Specialist
Ronsini, Debra	Teacher
Scott, Michael	Teacher
Seminara, Dara	Teacher
Smith, Karen	Teacher
Sobczak, Marlene	Teacher
Sprofera, Lisa	Teacher
Stiles, Marybeth	Guidance Counselor
Sudak, Elizabeth	Teacher
Sylvester, Kristen	Teacher
VanHaste, Ashley	Teacher
Weatherwalks, Allison	Teacher
Wolfe, Kathleen	Speech/Language Specialist
Wynne, Justin	Teacher
Zur, Jessica	Teacher

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

4. Motion to approve contract renewals for the 2026-2027 school year for the non-tenured staff members as recommended by the Superintendent.

Name	2026 – 2027 Assignment
Kayser, Casey	Teacher
Montanaro, Jillian	Psychologist - Part Time
Mosner, Kyle	Teacher - Full Time
Secola, Meganne	Teacher
Tucker, Rachel	Occupational Therapist - Part Time
Walilko, Chelsea	Speech Language Specialist - Part Time

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

5. Motion to approve contract renewals for the 2026 - 2027 school year for the following staff members as recommended by the Superintendent.

Administrative Staff List

Name	Assignment
Bollette, Jon Paul	Principal/Coordinator of Instruction
Constantino, Karen	Business Admin./Board Secretary
Housel, Michael	Director of Buildings & Grounds

Paraprofessionals

Name	Assignment
Bruzzese, Luisa	Part-Time Special Education Aide
D'Annibale, Joanna	Part-Time Special Education Aide
DiMarzo, Kimberly	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Fox, Victoria	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Francisco, Michele	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Gallucci, Tanya	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Kerrick, Luke	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Kusek, Elzbieta	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Ludwig, Suzanne	Part-Time Special Education Aide
McArdle, Tamitha	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Monahan, Rebecca	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Mull, Kathleen	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Munk, Stephanie	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Piercey, Diane	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Piontkowski, Gail	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Salmon-Manni, Angela	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Schumann, Denise	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Shabhaat, Monerh	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Stahosky, Ashley	Part-Time Special Education Aide
Velez, Ana	Part-Time Special Education Aide

Administrative Assistants

Name	Assignment
DeGraw, Linda	Full-Time Business Office Administrative Assistant
DiLorenzo, Linda	Treasurer-Part Time
Faraone, Janice	Full-Time CST/Main Office Administrative Assistant
Hannemann, Patti	Full-Time Superintendent's Administrative Assistant
Kaiser, Nancy	Full-Time Assistant to BA
Hardy, Marissa	Part-Time Principal's Administrative Assistant

Custodial Staff

Name	Assignment
DeGraw, Kenneth	Full-Time Night Custodian
Hassel, James	Part-Time Day Custodian
Jennings, Samantha	Full-Time Day Custodian
Shatrowskas, Matthew	Full-Time Night Custodian
Ovalles, Manuel	Full-Time Night Custodian

Aftercare Staff

Name	Assignment
Bene, Carol	Aftercare Assistant
D'Annibale, Karen	Lead Aftercare Assistant
Hicok, Janet	Aftercare Assistant

Technicians

Name	Assignment
Dierling, Patrick	Part-time Network Administrator / Computer Technician

School Security Officers

Name	Assignment
Shotwell, Jeffrey	Part-time School Security Officer
Wikander, Scott	Part-time School Security Officer

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

6. Motion to approve the 2026 summer work schedule for the following professional staff members, as recommended by the Superintendent at the hourly rate, as per their contract:

Name	Position	Schedule Not to Exceed
Jillian Montanaro	School Psychologist	10 hours
TBD	Speech Therapist	10 hours
Tiffany Lutz	Social Worker	10 hours
Cori Harrington	Technology	75 hours
Marybeth Stiles	Guidance	35 hours
Kristen Sylvester	Reading Coach	20 hours
Marlene Sobczak	Math Coach	20 hours
Rachael Tucker	Occupational Therapist	20 hours
TBD	ABA Therapy and Support	12 hours
Kristen Sylvester	ESY - Wilson Instruction	12 hours

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

7. Motion to approve an extension of the unpaid leave of employee #0856, from original end date of April 30, 2026 to a new end date of May 31, 2026, to be extended as necessary.

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

E. POLICY - Mrs. Amy Jones, Chairperson

- 1. Motion to approve the second reading of the following policies.

- 0110 – IDENTIFICATION
- 0120 - AUTHORITY AND POWERS
- 0132 - EXECUTIVE AUTHORITY
- 0133 - ADJUDICATION OF DISPUTE
- 0134 - BOARD SELF EVALUATION
- 0142 - BOARD MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS, PROHIBITED ACTS AND CODE OF ETHICS
- 0146 - BOARD MEMBER AUTHORITY
- 0148 - BOARD MEMBER INDEMNIFICATION
- 0151 - ORGANIZATION MEETING
- 0153 - ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS
- 0154 - ANNUAL MOTIONS AND DESIGNATIONS
- P 1540 - ADMINISTRATOR'S CODE OF ETHICS
- P 1631 - RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR PERSON HOLDING SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE, EMPLOYMENT, OR POSITION

Motion Second
/Roll Call/

XII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NEW BUSINESS TOPICS

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XIII. CLOSED MEETING

Closed Meeting Motion was read by _____ at _____ pm.

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 _____

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

XIV. RECONVENE

Motion to reconvene into public session at _____ pm.

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

XV. BOARD COMMENTS

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion that the Board of Education shall adjourn at _____ pm.

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

Next Meeting Date:

May 20, 2026

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.