

GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
AGENDA
Regular Meeting
November 18, 2020

Time: 7:30p.m.

Place: Remote Platform

- I. CALL TO ORDER – 7:31pm
 - 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, and N.J.A.C. 5:39-1.1 et seq. having to do with conducting public business in a transparent manner during a declared emergency, the New Jersey Herald was properly notified, the remote meeting notice was properly posted on the District's website and copies of the agenda of this meeting were appropriately posted and made available for the public.”

C. ROLL CALL

	<u>Term</u>	<u>Roll</u>
	<u>Expires</u>	<u>Call</u>
Mrs. Marie Bilik- President	2020	__X__
Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke – Vice-President	2021	__X__
Mr. Matthew Fox	2020	__X__
Mr. Scott Guzzo	2022	__X__
Mr. Noah Haiduc-Dale	2022	__X__
Mrs. Denise Kelly-Jones	2020	__X__
Ms. Kristin Post	2021	__X__
Mr. Michael Rose	2021	__X__
Mr. Robert Strasser	2022	__X__
Dr. Lydia E. Furnari, Interim Superintendent		__X__
Dr. Vincent Occhino, SBA /Board Secretary		__X__

D. MISSION STATEMENT - Read by Mrs. Kelly-Jones

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.

II. EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Self-Assessment – Jon Paul Bollette & Marybeth Stiles

The DOE required data for this report was gathered from the 2019-2020 school year. The presentation provided information on the Eight Core Elements with Subcategories. The discussion topics included HIB Programs, Training, Curriculum and Instruction, Reporting Procedures, School Climate, School Safety, and Investigation Procedures. Mrs. Bilik asked Dr. Furnari to speak about the monitoring of technology use and safety. Dr. Furnari talked about the Go Guardian system and training staff members undergo related to cyber bullying and technology use.

III. CORRESPONDENCE - None

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA TOPICS - Read by President Bilik

This remote 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. That recognition will be made in the order names appear in the chat box of the digital platform. 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.

Open at 7:50pm

Dr. Furnari shared the steps that would be used for remote public participation. There were no public comments at this time.

V. VARIOUS REPORTS

A. NEWTON BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE – Mrs. Cooke

Newton's Regular Meeting

October 27, 2020

Presentations: School Goals and Action Plans Report – Dr. Greene

Enrollment, Graduation, and Postsecondary Report – Dr. Greene

Newton Public Comments on Agenda Resolutions: Approx. ten (10) members of the public and staff commented on current learning schedules as well as status of contract negotiations.

Newton Superintendent's Report: Covid Cases are increasing in the County. 1/3 of students are fully remote instruction.

QSAC status update.

Early dismissal days to be fully remote.

Inclement weather days to remain as is.

Newton School Business Administrator/Board Secretary's Report: ESIP requires Planning Board review.

Newton Board Business: Approved Integrity Consulting Group as the Health Insurance Broker of Record for the 2020-2021 school year. Approved a contract for James Sekelsky as School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the 2020-2021 school year at a salary of \$154,000 prorated to start date of January 28, 2021 as reviewed and approved by the Executive County Superintendent. Approved the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan.

Approved an agreement with Sodexo to accept a negotiated 2019-2020 guarantee payment of \$23,000 as Covid prohibited the operation of food service in a regular manner and created a large loss of revenue for both entities.

Newton Public Comments: Approx. four (4) members of the public and staff commented on quality of education during Covid, making public meetings available virtually, and status of negotiations.

Newton November 10, 2020 Board Meeting

Newton Presentations: School Safety Data Report – Dr. Greene School Restart and Recovery Activities Report – Dr. Greene

Newton Committee Reports: Mr. Caffrey, Chair of Negotiations Committee, gave a detailed timeline of current contract Negotiations.

Newton Superintendent's Report: In answer to a question at a previous BOE meeting: How many staff requested change of assignment or accommodation during Covid?: 17 out of 59 NHS staff requested Accommodations(s) and/or Assignment change during Covid.

Newton Board Business: Approved a proposal and agreement of sale of the Vanguard Modular Building. (Cancelled Preschool Building project at Merriam Avenue School)

Newton Committee of the Whole: Discussion regarding public board meetings during a declared emergency as well as remote board member and public participation during in-person board meetings.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 24, 7:00 pm at NHS Cafeteria.

- B. PTA UPDATE – Mrs. Kelly-Jones PTA did not meet from the previous monthly Board meeting Mrs. Kelly-Jones reminded everyone to join the PTA and to keep clipping box tops.
- C. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Mrs. Bilik

Board President, Marie Bilik thanked the students and staff for their efforts in producing a truly inspirational Veterans’ day program. She mentioned that she shared the video with the Senior Citizens who were quite appreciative. Mrs. Bilik also noted that she attended the virtual NJSBA Board of Directors meeting and the Delegate Assembly term was discussed.

- D. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Dr. Furnari

Dr. Furnari thanked Mr. Bollette and Mrs. Stiles for their presentation. She noted that those members of the public who spoke at the last meeting were addressed individually by administration. Dr. Furnari reminded those in attendance that on-site hybrid instruction would resume on November 17th.

Dr. Furnari led a formal Board discussion on the NJQSAC DPRs under Governance as follows:

NJQSAC DPR Presentation & Discussion School Year 2019-20

Governance

At least annually, and more frequently if required by changes in case law, regulation, or statute, the district board of education or the advisory board, reviews, updates, and adopts, by resolution, policies, procedures, and by-laws reflective of current statutory and regulatory

Establishes a policy and a contract with the CSA to annually evaluate him or her based on the adoption of goals and performance measurements that reflect the highest priority is given to student achievement and attention is given to subgroup achievement and each new member has received training on CSA evaluation.

All new, renegotiated, amended, altered, or extended contracts for CSAs, deputy superintendents, assistant superintendents, and school business administrators are submitted to the executive county superintendent (ECS) for review and approval. The district board of education takes no formal action to approve or implement such contracts prior to ECS review and approval. (N.J.S.A. 18A:7-8 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-3.1)

Other discussion items included approves appointments and transfers, and removes or renews, budgeting process and allocation of resources, adoption and implementation of written policies for the budget and financial planning process, and At least one certified school nurse is employed by the school district.

Members of the Board of Education commented on these topics. Dr. Furnari reminded the public that Board committees reviewed the other DPR areas with administration. These discussions were noted in committee reports given at public Board meetings.

E. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT – Dr. Occhino

Dr. Occhino reported on items discussed at the recent SCSBA meeting such as NJQSAC, ASSA and other fall reports. He thanked members of the Business Office and HR teams for their excellent work and commitment.

VI. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS** None

VII. **SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH**

Mrs. Bilik indicated that the process for the Superintendent Search would be revisited after the re-organization meeting in January 2021.

VIII. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** None

IX. **NEW BUSINESS** None

X. **BOARD BUSINESS** – Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke

Consent Agenda Motions A (1&2) – D

A. Motion to accept minutes of the following meetings:

1. Regular Meeting of October 21, 2020. (**attachment**)

Motion.....Mrs. Cooke..... Second.....Mrs. Kelly-Jones.....

2. Executive Session of October 21, 2020.

B. Motion to approve submission of the New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (NJQSAC) District Performance Review documents for the 2020-2021 school year. (**attachment**)

C. Motion to approve the Green Township School District School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act for July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. (**attachment**)

D. Motion to approve the “Law Enforcement Memorandum of Agreement” (MOA) for the 2020-2021 school year with 2019 revisions. (Copy available in Interim Superintendent’s Office.)

/Roll Call/

	Fox	Guzzo	Haiduc-Dale	Kelly-Jones	Post	Rose	Strasser	Cooke	Bilik	All in Favor
YES	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0
NO										0
Abstain			X A1 & 2 only							1 A1&2 only
Absent										

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. CURRICULUM – Mr. Noah Haiduc-Dale, Chairperson Committee met on November 17 and discussed the agenda items for approval and on the work of the administration and staff on moving curriculum projects forward.

Consent Agenda Motions A1 & A2

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>	
Beth Voris	Cultivating Gifted Minds	NJ Association of Gifted Children / Virtual	3/19/21	Registration Mileage/Tolls Total	\$144.00 N/A \$144.00

Motion . . .Mr. Haiduc-Dale Second Mr. Fox.

2. Motion to approve proposed field trips for the 2020-2021 school year as per the attached schedule. (**attachment**)

/Roll Call/

	Fox	Guzzo	Haiduc-Dale	Kelly-Jones	Post	Rose	Strasser	Cooke	Bilik	All in Favor
YES	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0
NO										0
Abstain										0
Absent										

B. FINANCE – Mr. Scott Guzzo, Chairperson Committee met on November 9 and discussed the agenda items for approval. Mr. Rose asked what checks number 26838 and 26840 were for. Dr. Furnari indicated that the first was payment for services related to hot spots purchased for use by families who needed home WiFi support and that she would check on the purpose of the other check.

Consent Agenda B 1 through B 6

1. Motion to approve the General Fund bills list for October 22, 2020 through November 18, 2020 for a total of \$883,396.17. **(attachment)**
2. Motion to approve the attached disbursements for November 2020 from the Student Activities Account in the amount of \$0.00 and the Business Office Petty Cash Account in the amount of \$14.00. **(attachment)**
3. Motion to accept the preliminary Board Secretary’s monthly certification, as attached, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12(d) that as of September 30, 2020 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.S.A. 18A-22-8 and 18A-22-8.1.
4. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 the Green Township School District Board of Education, after review of the Board Secretary’s and Treasurer’s monthly financial reports certify that as of September 30, 2020 and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.2. and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
5. Motion to accept the financial reports from the Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of September 2020.
6. Motion to approve transfers for September 2020.

	Fox	Guzzo	Haiduc-Dale	Kelly-Jones	Post	Rose	Strasser	Cooke	Bilik	All in Favor
YES	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0
NO										0
Abstain										0
Absent										

C. OPERATIONS – Mr. Matthew Fox, Chairperson stated that the Committee met on November 17th. He explained the acronym NJ QSAC (New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum and discussed District Performance Review indicators related to Operations.

D. PERSONNEL – Mrs. Ann Marie Cooke, Chairperson. Committee met on November 9, 2020. She indicated that the committee went through the NJQSAC DPRs for Personnel at that meeting.

Consent agenda for items D1 through D3

Motion . . . **Mrs. Cooke** Second **Mr. Rose**

1. Motion to retroactively approve 47 extra hours of Summer Work for the summer of 2020 for Kerry Burneyko at her 2020-2021 hourly rate, as recommended by the Interim Superintendent.

2. Motion to terminate employee #10283158 due to job abandonment effective November 18, 2020, as recommended by the Interim Superintendent.

3. Motion to approve Justine Webb as a Substitute Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year, pending approval of her criminal history background check, 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.

/Roll Call/

	Fox	Guzzo	Haiduc-Dale	Kelly-Jones	Post	Rose	Strasser	Cooke	Bilik	All in Favor
YES	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0
NO										0
Abstain										0
Absent										

E. POLICY –Mrs. Denise Kelly Jones Chairperson. Committee met on November 10th and discussed the agenda items for approval.

Consent Agenda on E 1 through E 4

Motion . . . **Mrs. Kelly-Jones** Second . . . **Ms. Post**

1. Motion to approve the following policies for second reading (revised P2431 **attached**):

- P2270 - Religion in Schools
- P2431.3 - Heat Participation Policy for Student Athlete Safety
- 5111 - Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students
- P8320 - Personnel Records
- P1620 - Administrative Employment Contracts
- P2431 – Athletic Competition
- P2464 - Gifted and Talented Students
- P5330.05 - Seizure Action Plan
- P6440 - Cooperative Purchasing
- P6470.01 - Electronic Funds Transfer and Claimant Certification
- P7440 - School District Security
- P7450 - Property Inventory
- P8420 - Emergency and Crisis Situations

2. Motion to waive the first reading of Bylaw 0164.6 – Remote Public Board Meeting During a Declared Emergency. (**attachment**):
3. Motion to approve Bylaw 0164.6 - Remote Public Board Meeting During a Declared Emergency for second reading and adoption. (**attachments**):
4. Motion to approve the following policies for first reading: (**attachments**)

P7510 – Use of School Facilities

P8561 – Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs

/Roll Call/

	Fox	Guzzo	Haiduc-Dale	Kelly-Jones	Post	Rose	Strasser	Cooke	Bilik	All in Favor
YES	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	0
NO										0
Abstain										0
Absent										

B. NEGOTIATIONS – Mr. Michael Rose, Chairperson. No Report

XII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NEW BUSINESS TOPICS Mrs. Bilik read the following:

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Dr. Furnari responded to a written question submitted by community member Mrs. Fracasso regarding the posting of the meeting minutes, indicating that approved minutes are located on the District website. She thanked Mrs. Fracasso for reaching out.

XIII. CLOSED MEETING - No Closed Session

XIV. ADJOURNMENT Time 8:52pm

Motion . . . **Mrs. Cooke** Second**Mr. Guzzo** . . .

/Roll Call/

	Fox	Guzzo	Haiduc-Dale	Kelly-Jones	Post	Rose	Strasser	Cooke	Bilik	All in Favor
YES										9
NO										0
Abstain										0
Absent										

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Occhino

Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Lydia E. Furnari

Interim Superintendent