

## GREEN COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, February 20, 2025 3:30 p.m.

Committee Members: Elizabeth Fiore, Chair

Pamela Cassidy, Paulo Lopes, David Rizza, Board Members

Administrative Staff: Dr. Jonathan Hart, Superintendent; Jason M. Bohm, SBA/Board Secretary; Don

Race, Facilities Manager; Timothy Charleston, Principal; Dr. Ann DeRosa, Principal; Dr. Kristen Higgins, Principal; Dr. Jonathan Moss, Principal; Sarah

Pauch, Supervisor of Math, Science and Technology

Other Members: Betsy Freeman, Teacher; Gargi Adhikari, Teacher; Denise Birmingham, Teacher;

Blair Alber, Teacher; Dr. Neil Hendrickson, Readington Township; Steve Foster,

Readington Township; Marlene Orlandi, Readington Township; David

Livingston, Readington Township; Christina Albrecht, Readington Township; Eric Zwerling; Readington Township; Jodi Bettermann, Readington Township,

Robert Becker, Readington Township

### Welcome New Members: Pamela Cassidy, David Rizza & Robert Becker!

## 1. Strategic Focus for 2024-2025 School Year - Board Members / Administration

- Strategic Focus
- Action Plan Tracking Document
- Green Committee History, Successes, & Current Initiatives David Rizza
- Readington Township Public Schools Climate Change Action Plan (DRAFT) Beth Fiore

#### 2. Pillar I: Reduce environmental impact and costs - Jason Bohm / Don Race

- Referendum Public Presentation February 25 at 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Conference Room
- Solar Array Expansion Update
- Electric School Bus Update
  - Federal Grant 1 Electric Bus / Charger
  - State Grant <u>2 Electric Buses / Chargers</u>
  - Safety / Fire Risk: Video #1 & Video #2 Paulo Lopes

#### 3. Pillar II: Improve the health and wellness of schools, students, and staff

- Communication Administration
  - Superintendent Sentinel <u>Sustainable Jersey Recertification & Hatching a Plan in Preschool</u>
  - The CHronicle <u>Electric School Bus</u>
  - NJSBA School Leader Magazine Feature!

#### 4. Pillar III: Provide environmental education (STEM, civic skills, green career pathways, etc.)

- Arbor Day / Shade Tree Commission Plantings Dr. Jonathan Hart
- Wellness District Policy 8505 Update Beth Fiore / Dr. Jonathan Hart
- Sustainable Jersey Recertification, Grants, & Municipality Administration / Principals / Robert Becker

# 5. Unfinished / New Business

- EV Links:
  - https://driveelectric.gov/school-districts
  - https://dep.nj.gov/stopthesoot/electric-school-bus-program/

- EV Research Article
- **6.** Our next Green Committee meeting shall be Thursday, April 3, 2025, at 3:30 p.m.

Minutes from prior meeting