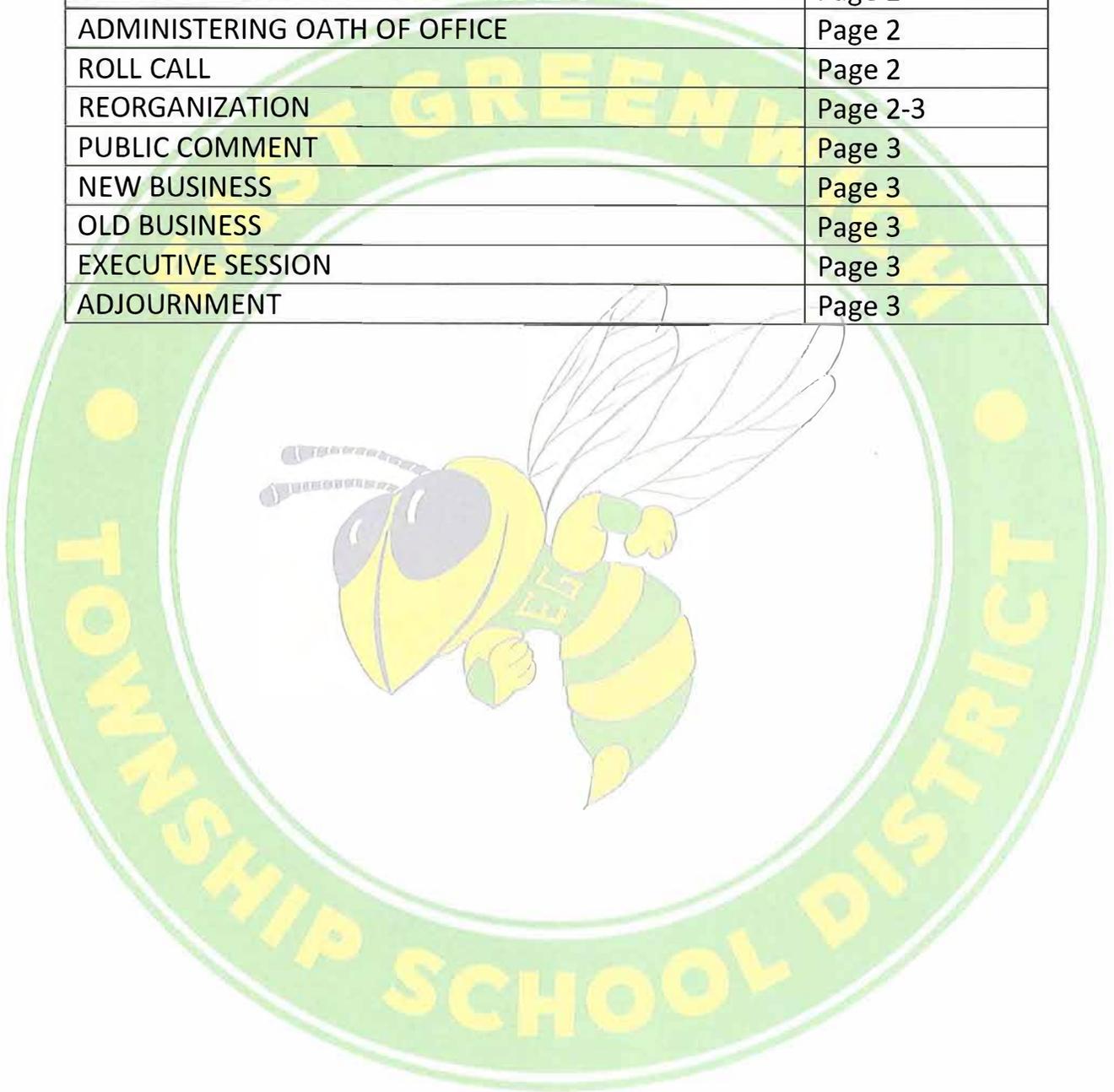




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The regular session meeting of the East Greenwich Township Board of Education was held on the above date, duly advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-8(d). Notice of this meeting was posted in the East Greenwich Township Municipal Building, each school in the district and advertised in the South Jersey Times and Courier Post. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board Secretary Wilson. Following the flag salute, a moment of silent reflection was observed.

REPORT OF OFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS FROM NOVEMBER 6, 2024

Board of Education – Three-Year Term:

Jeff Flynn 4,504
Lori Becker 4,608
Anand Acharya 4,373

Board of Education – Unexpired Two-Year Term:

Amanda Black 82 write-in votes

The Board Secretary administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Board members; Anand Acharya, Lori Becker, Amanda Black, and Jeffrey Flynn.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Acharya, Becker, Black, Christian, Flynn, O’Brien, Schonewise, and Starks. Absent: Baird. Also present were the Superintendent, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary, and 13 (thirteen) members of the public.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The Board Secretary declared nominations for the position of President were open.

Members Acharya, second by O’Brien, nominated Mark Schonewise for President.

Hearing no further nominations, on motion by Acharya, second by O’Brien, and carried by unanimous roll call vote, the nominations for President were closed and Mark Schonewise was declared President by unanimous ballot.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Yea – 8	Nay – 0	Absent – 1
<u>Y</u> Anand Acharya	<u>Y</u> Amanda Black		<u>Y</u> Jodie O’Brien
<u>A</u> John Baird	<u>Y</u> Krissy Christian		<u>Y</u> Mark Schonewise
<u>Y</u> Lori Becker	<u>Y</u> Jeffrey Flynn		<u>Y</u> Lynn Starks

President Schonewise presided at this time.

President Schonewise declared nominations for the position of Vice President were open.

Members Becker, second by Christian, nominated Jodie O’Brien for Vice President.

Hearing no further nominations, on motion by Acharya, second by Christian, and carried by unanimous roll call vote, the nominations for Vice President were closed and Jodie O’Brien was declared Vice President by unanimous ballot.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	Yea – 8	Nay – 0	Absent – 1
<u>Y</u> Anand Acharya	<u>Y</u> Amanda Black		<u>Y</u> Jodie O’Brien
<u>A</u> John Baird	<u>Y</u> Krissy Christian		<u>Y</u> Mark Schonewise
<u>Y</u> Lori Becker	<u>Y</u> Jeffrey Flynn		<u>Y</u> Lynn Starks



REORGANIZATION MEETING:

- The "Code of Ethics" was reviewed with the Board Members. **(Attachment – 1)**

On motion by O'Brien, second by Starks, and carried by unanimous voice vote, the following resolutions were approved:

- BE IT RESOLVED, that the East Greenwich Township School District Board of Education has adopted the New Jersey School Boards Association "Code of Ethics" and provided an annual training session as required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:12-21 et seq.
 - BE IT RESOLVED, that the East Greenwich Township School District Board of Education adopt parliamentary procedure as described by Robert's Rules of Order to govern the order of business of the Board of Education through the reorganization meeting in January 2026.
 - BE IT RESOLVED, that all current written policies, bylaws, and regulations in the official Policy Manual of the East Greenwich Township School District Board of Education be readopted.
- The Board discussed committee appointments and New Jersey School Board Association Delegate appointments.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comments were shared.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Personal/Relative Disclosure Statement for new board members.

OLD BUSINESS:

No report.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, on motion by Starks, second by O'Brien, and carried by unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

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Code of Ethics for School Board Members

N.J.S.A 18A:12-24.1

- a. I will uphold and enforce all laws, rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, and court orders pertaining to schools. Desired changes shall be brought about only through legal and ethical procedures.
- b. I will make decisions in terms of the educational welfare of children and will seek to develop and maintain public schools that meet the individual needs of all children regardless of their ability, race, creed, sex, or social standing.
- c. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal, and I will help to frame policies and plans only after the board has consulted those who will be affected by them.
- d. I will carry out my responsibility, not to administer the schools, but, together with my fellow board members, to see that they are well run.
- e. I will recognize that authority rests with the board of education and will make no personal promises nor take any private action that may compromise the board.
- f. I will refuse to surrender my independent judgment to special interest or partisan political groups or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends.
- g. I will hold confidential all matters pertaining to the schools which, if disclosed, would needlessly injure individuals or the schools. In all other matters, I will provide accurate information and, in concert with my fellow board members, interpret to the staff the aspirations of the community for its school.
- h. I will vote to appoint the best qualified personnel available after consideration of the recommendation of the chief administrative officer.
- i. I will support and protect school personnel in proper performance of their duties.
- j. I will refer all complaints to the chief administrative officer and will act on the complaints at public meetings only after failure of an administrative solution.

N.J.A.C. 6A:32-3.2

Requirements for the code of ethics for district board of education members and charter school board of trustees members

- (a) Each district board of education and charter school board of trustees shall:
 1. Discuss annually the School Ethics Act and the Code of Ethics for School Board Members, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:12-21 et seq., at a regularly scheduled public meeting;
 2. Adopt policies and procedures regarding the training of district board of education and charter school board of trustees members in understanding the Code of Ethics; and
 3. Provide documentation pursuant to (b) below that each member of the district board of education or charter school board of trustees has received and reviewed the Code of Ethics.
- (b) Each member of the district board of education or charter school board of trustees shall sign an acknowledgement of receipt of the Code of Ethics for School Board Members contained within N.J.S.A. 18A:12-21 et seq. The acknowledgement of receipt requires each district board of education member and charter school board of trustees member to read and become familiar with the Code of Ethics.