



## Spring Lake Park Schools

District Services Center

1415 81st Avenue NE

Spring Lake Park, MN 55432

### MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION

School Board, Independent School District 16

Spring Lake Park, MN

Tuesday, May 23, 2017

#### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Stroebel called the meeting or order to 6:01pm. The following School Board members were present: John Stroebel, Jodi Ruch, Jim Amundson, Marilyn Forsberg, Kelly Delfs, and Tony Easter, along with Superintendent Jeff Ronneberg.

School Board members absent: Amy Hennen to attend son's jazz concert.

#### **B. AGENDA APPROVAL**

*Motion by Delfs, seconded by Forsberg, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0)*

#### **C. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Enhancing Student Engagement – A Glimpse into Innovation Evening 2.0 – Dr. Ronneberg introduced Ms. Janelle Todd, Spring Lake Park High School English teacher. Ms. Todd gave a brief recap of the presentation that she shared at the recent Spring Lake Park Schools Innovation Evening 2.0, an opportunity for over 100 staff members to come together and share and collaborate on innovative ideas taking place in our district classrooms. Ms. Todd's presentation focused on how she is using technology and the 1:1 initiative to further engage students and increase student learning. Highlights of the presentation include: use of iPads by students to create class presentations; Flex Fridays offering students the opportunity to further prepare for the responsibility of time management in college; use of apps in theater class offering different ways for students to participate. Board comments followed.
- District Operational Plan and Board Priorities for 2017-18 - Brief Overview – Dr. Ronneberg shared a draft summary of the projects within the 2017-18 District Operational Plan (DOP). These projects, the associated milestones, and how the projects align with the budget will be presented at the June board meeting. Accomplishments of the 2016-17 DOP will be shared at the June work session.
- Fundraising Update – Ms. Colleen Pederson, Director of Community Education and Outreach, shared the why behind this district operational plan project and summarized the work and collaboration done to align fundraising with district goals, school goals and the overall budget. A summary of the new fundraising application process was highlighted. Board comments and questions focused on communication of the new process, clarification of the potential impact to current fundraising, and clarification of roles and responsibilities of those involved in the process.
- Facilities Update – Dr. Ronneberg reminded the board members that the groundbreaking ceremony is Friday, May 26. The outline of the process for naming the new school was discussed. Students, parents and the community will be involved in submitting potential names. The process will be introduced at the groundbreaking ceremony. Early Learning space design is taking place, as well as review of funding and priorities of various projects. Member Easter pointed out that construction at the high school is moving along.

5. FY18 Budget Planning and Development – Ms. Amy Schultz, Director of Business Services, shared the current budget guiding change. Ms. Schultz asked for board feedback regarding breakfast and lunch costs for the 2017-18 school year. Discussion centered around an increase by 10 cents based on federal requirements.

6. Other – Chairperson Stroebel reminded board members about the upcoming Tower Days Parade on June 8. Dr. Ronneberg mentioned that the Bush Foundation has awarded the district a \$10,000 grant based on district involvement in the Innovative and Personalized Learning Cohort.

**D. CLOSED SESSION**

*Motion by Ruch, seconded by Delfs, to enter in to Closed Session to discuss employee negotiations. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0) Entered in to Closed Session at 7:31pm.*

*Motion by Delfs, seconded by Easter, to reconvene the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0) Meeting reconvened at 7:58pm.*

**E. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Ruch, seconded by Forsberg, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0) Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.*

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Amy Hennen, Clerk  
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