



**Spring Lake Park Schools**  
District Services Center  
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**MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION**  
**School Board, Independent School District 16**  
**Spring Lake Park, MN**  
**Tuesday, August 25, 2015**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Stroebel called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

The following School Board members were present: John Stroebel, Jodi Ruch, Jim Amundson, Amy Hennen, Marilynn Forsberg, and Colleen Vranish, along with Superintendent Jeff Ronneberg.

School Board members absent: Kelly Delfs

**B. AGENDA APPROVAL**

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

**C. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. 2015-16 District Operational Plan (DOP): Review desired results, goals, improvement projects *This review met the World's Best Workforce requirements*

Superintendent Jeff Ronneberg, Hope Rahn, Directory of Learning and Innovation, and Mike Callahan, Director of Student Services reviewed the District Operational Plan (DOP) for the 2015-16 school year highlighting a summary of student results, review of desired results and improvement plans to achieve those results, including the initiatives of Essential Learning Outcomes, Accelerating Learners and Student Attendance. In addition, this information will be shared with parents through school newsletters and on the district website. Board members shared their support for and comments on the amount of work taking place and the focus on student learning.

Facilities Study Update – board priority

Superintendent Ronneberg reviewed the timeline which the board has seen many times. He mentioned that cost estimates are being worked on and will be shared with the board in the next few weeks. Ms. Amy Schultz gave a brief update on Innovation Days which took place this past Spring. Delivery of furniture begins this week and the project has come in under budget.

Ms. Shultz reviewed several sites that administration has looked at for possible locations for the building of a new K-4 elementary school. The options have been narrowed to two locations: 109<sup>th</sup> and Lexington, and land at the National Sports Center. Board members gave their feedback on each of the two locations. Ms. Schultz reviewed the timeline for the facilities master plan as well as financing.

Superintendent Ronneberg shared ideas around possible dates for a spring bond election, mentioning dates between March 1, 2016 and May 3, 2016. Final decision will be dependent on cost options work and further investigation of building sites as well as state timeline requirements on various aspects of holding an election.

Branding Study Update - initiative

Superintendent Jeff Ronneberg shared recent designs of the new district logo and the athletics logo. Examples of the updated athletic and Panther logos were shown in various concepts on apparel. Board discussion took place regarding the updated athletic and Panther logos and the board gave

their support for the updated look. With that support, finalizing of the district branding and style guide will take place. Further discussion centered on roll out of the new logos.

Fundraising Study Update - initiative

Throughout the spring and summer Ms. Colleen Pederson shared that she has met with many groups to get a greater understanding of the current reality of fundraising within the school district. This fall conversations will take place to update and re-introduce an internal process for requesting funds from external groups and businesses, as well as process development for building and classroom service learning projects to ensure a better definition of the why for fundraising. By the end of the 2015-16 school year the definition of what fundraising is, and isn't, will be formalized. This process will include working in partnership with building PTOs.

Other

Chairperson Stroebel reminded the board about the MSBA All-State nomination process. Nominations due Oct. 6. Member Forsberg shared that a vote through NEMetro 916 will be taking place regarding building a new school in replacement of Capitol View, vs renovating the current building. Member Forsberg shared that she will be voting yes based on board support for a new building unless board members let her know differently.

**D. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Ruch, seconded by Hennen, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0). Meeting adjourned at 8:16pm.*

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Amy Hennen, Clerk  
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