



Spring Lake Park Schools
District Services Center
1415 81st Avenue NE
Spring Lake Park, MN 55432

SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING
School Board, Independent School District 16
Spring Lake Park, MN
Tuesday, November 12, 2019

Communication to the Board – two community members addressed the board this evening. Mr. Kossi Fiadjigbe had questions regarding homework and parent involvement in the homework process. Ms. Mary Kirk shared concerns about recent events at the high school. The board thanked the parents for sharing their comments and concerns. Ms. Hope Rahn, Director of Learning and Innovation, and Ms. Colleen Pederson, Director of Community Education and Outreach, followed up with the parents to address their concerns and comments.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Hennen called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

The following School Board members were present: Amy Hennen, John Stroebel, Amy Wheaton, Tony Easter, Marilynn Forsberg, Jim Amundson, and Michael Kreun, along with Superintendent Jeff Ronneberg and School Board Student Representatives Juwaria Jama and Nadine Musa.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Wheaton, to approve the agenda with the following change(s):

a. addition of three action items – approval of community services personnel agreement for 2019-2021, approval of health care specialists agreement for 2019-2021, canvassing returns of votes of Spring Lake Park ISD 16 general election held Nov 5, 2019

Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0)

C. SOME FUTURE EVENTS (Please check the District Calendar and Resource Guide or visit the District website at www.springlakeparkschools.org for a complete list of monthly events)

- Wednesday, November 27, 2019 No School for students, Staff Professional Learning Day
- Thursday, November 28 - Friday, November 29, 2019 No School for students and staff DSC Closed
- Monday, December 2, 2019 No School for students, Staff Professional Learning Day
- Friday, December 6, 2019, School Board Retreat, 11:30am
- Tuesday, December 17, 2019 School Board Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Includes Truth in Taxation Meeting, with Communication to the Board and Administration at 6:45 p.m.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Easter, seconded by Wheaton, to approve the following items of the consent agenda:

1. Minutes of the October 08, 2019 School Board Regular Meeting and the October 29, 2019 School Board Work Session

2. Bills Paid for September 2019, in the following amounts:

BILLS PAID	
September 2019	
Fund	Total Payments
General	\$ 5,907,233
Food Service	136,754
Community Education	124,487
Debt Service	-
Trust and Agency	16,150
Building Construction	124,179
Internal Service Funds	-
OPEB Debt Services	-
OPEB Trust Account	-
TOTAL	\$ 6,308,804

3. Personnel Items

I. EMPLOYMENTS

Name	Location	Position	Start Date	New, Growth or Replace
Robert Aho	SLPHS	Special Education Paraprofessional	10.21.2019	Replace
Julie Costa	PT	Academic Specialist – LD	8.26.2019	New
Dawn Flowers	PT	Behavior Paraprofessional	10.21.2019	New
Joseph Heaney	CV	Special Education Paraprofessional	10.22.2019	Replace
Sherylyn Koehn	LTHS	Gifted and Talented Program Assistant	10.28.2019	Replace
George Oyoo	WW	Behavior Paraprofessional	10.21.2019	Replace
Georgiana Robasse	WW	Grade 6 Teacher (long-term substitute)	10.28.2019	Replace
Brooke Yungmann	SLPHS	Special Education Case Manager	8.26.2019	Replace

II. TERMINATIONS/RESIGNATIONS/NON-RENEWAL OF CONTRACT

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Shannon Betancourt	SLPHS	Teachers	Resignation as of October 22, 2019
Abby Kelley-Hands	SLPHS	Teachers	Resignation as of October 25, 2019
Coley Fehringer	DSC	Unaffiliated	Resignation as of November 8, 2019
Jenna Johnshoy-Aarestad	DSC	Unaffiliated	Resignation as of November 13, 2019

III. LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Dylan Thornborrow	WW	Teachers	October 21, 2019 through November 18, 2019

Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0)

E. DISCUSSION, REPORTS, INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **Student Learning and Development:** Improving student learning and realizing high achievement for all learners is our ultimate purpose and measure of success.

Athletics and Activities 2019-20: Fall Update - Mr. Will Wackman, Athletics & Activities Director, shared highlights of the Fall athletic season and student activities, summarizing the athletic and activities offerings as well as key points about and successes of each athletic and co-curricular program. The high school currently offers 14 girls' sports and 13 boys' sports, along with 38 student-based interest clubs and co-curricular activities. In addition he gave an update on the nearly completed facilities improvements, conference and cooperative updates, and introduced the launching of the Leadership Council which provides leadership opportunities and activities for student leaders of various athletic and activity programs, creating a culture of being Panthers both on and off of the field. Ms. Colleen Pederson, Director of Community Education and Outreach, highlighted the athletics and activities offerings for students grades 5-8 in the 2019-2020 school year, working in partnership with the high school.

2. **Effective Operations:** Improve our effective management of human, financial, and physical resources.

Monthly Financial Report – September 2019 - Ms. Amy Schultz, Director of Business Services gave an overview of the cash basis financial report for September 2019 including revenue, expenses, and treasurer's report.

3. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Jeff Ronneberg, Superintendent of Schools, thanked the community for passage of the levy questions at the November 5th election and the volunteers for the work done in getting out the vote. He thanked the SLP Lions for all their support for SLP schools and the community, mentioning that it was great to see so many members of the community at the Lions' Pancake Breakfast. Dr. Ronneberg shared a brief update on the preschool to kindergarten readiness project on the district operational plan which includes the creation of a design team to gather information and create additional support opportunities for preschool students and families.

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. First Reading to Initiate Review of Policy

Motion by Stroebel, seconded by Easter initiating the first reading of policy review: 721 Uniform Grant Guidance

Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0)

2. Acknowledgment of Gifts

Motion by Amundson, seconded by Easter, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, School Board Policy 706 establishes guidelines for the acceptance of gifts to the District; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 465.03 states that a School Board may accept a gift of real or personal property by the adoption of a resolution approved by two-thirds of its members;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Spring Lake Park Schools accepts with appreciation the gifts as shown in the attachment.

Roll Call: Ayes: Forsberg, Kreun, Amundson, Wheaton, Easter, Stroebel, Hennen; Nays: none

Resolution was adopted.

Monetary Donations

Description	Value	Donor	Purpose/To
Monetary	\$ 3,000.00	Lion's Club	Athletics & Activities – Respect Retreat
Monetary	\$ 525.00	Susan and Joseph Johnsen	Northpoint Elementary – Special Ed Adaptable Bike
Monetary	\$ 100.00	Medtronic	Spring Lake Park High School
Monetary	\$ 12,000.00	Lion's Club	Spring Lake Park High School - OEC
Monetary	\$ 39.12	Network for Good	Woodcrest Spanish Immersion
Monetary	\$ 8,000.00	Lion's Club	Woodcrest Spanish Immersion – books/supplies
Total	\$ 23,664.12		

Non-Monetary Donations

Item	Donor	Purpose/To
White t-shirts, socks, dishtowels	Margaret and Josh Roslik, Andrea Welch, Jessica Kiedrowski, Shelly Tornainen	Power Hour Opportunities at Northpoint Elementary
Tube TV	Nancy Milsow	Power Hour Opportunities at Northpoint Elementary
Legos	Andrea Welch	Power Hour Opportunities at Northpoint Elementary
School supplies	SLP Lions Club	Supplemental supplies for students at Woodcrest
Office supplies	Ryan Molitor	Supplemental supplies for Westwood office/staff

3. Canvassing Returns of Votes of Spring Lake Park Independent School District No. 16 General Election Held November 5, 2019

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Wheaton, to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Spring Lake Park Independent School District No. 16, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the General Election of the voters of this school district held on November 5, 2019, was in all respects duly and legally held.
2. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 2,485 voters of the district voted at said General Election on the election of three (3) school board members for three (3) four (4) year vacancies on the board caused by expiration of term on the first Monday in January following the general election. Votes cast for the office are as follows:

Candidate	Votes	Elected
Sarah Bowe	1297	X
Tony Easter	1281	X
Amy Hennen	1454	X
Kelly Delfs	876	
Write-In	48	

3. Sarah Bowe, Tony Easter, and Amy Hennen, having received the highest number of votes, are elected to four (4) year terms beginning on the first Monday in January 2020.

4. As specified in the attached Abstract of Votes Cast a total of 2,485 voters of the school district voted at said Special Election to consider Ballot Question No. 1 as follows:

SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 1

APPROVAL OF RENEWED REFERENDUM LEVY AUTHORIZATION

The school board of Independent School District No. 16 (Spring Lake Park Public Schools) has proposed to renew a portion of its referendum revenue authorization in the amount of \$193.98 per pupil, which expires at the end of taxes-payable year 2019. The renewed authorization amount of \$193.98 per pupil proposed in this ballot question would be first effective for taxes payable in 2020 and would be applicable for ten years unless earlier revoked or reduced as provided by law.

Shall the renewal of the referendum levy authorization proposed by the school board of Independent School District No. 16 be approved?

5. Votes cast for and against the question are as follows:

	Yes Votes	No Votes
Ballot Question No. 1	2,000	474

6. Ballot Question No. 1 having received the approval of at least a majority of such votes, is hereby declared to have carried.

7. As specified in the attached Abstract of Votes Cast a total of 2,485 voters of the school district voted at said Special Election to consider Ballot Question No. 2 as follows:

SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 2

APPROVAL OF RENEWED CAPITAL PROJECTS LEVY AUTHORIZATION

The School Board of Independent School District No. 16 (Spring Lake Park Public Schools) has proposed the renewal of an existing capital project levy authorization, continuing funds to provide for and maintain technology systems for classroom and school operations and the district's safety and security systems. The proposed capital project levy authorization will be in the amount of 2.96% times the net tax capacity of the school district, providing approximately \$1,326,633 for taxes payable in 2020, the first year it is to be levied, and would be authorized for ten years. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded over that time period is approximately \$13,266,330. If approved, this authorization will renew the school district's existing authorization scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2019 and will not increase the tax rate.

Shall the renewal of the capital project levy authorization proposed by the school board of Independent School District No. 16 be approved?

8. Votes cast for and against the question are as follows:

	Yes Votes	No Votes
Ballot Question No. 2	1,979	495

9. Ballot Question No. 2 having received the approval of at least a majority of such votes, is hereby declared to have carried.

10. The clerk is hereby directed to certify results of the General Election to the county auditors of each county in which the school district is located in whole or in part.

11. After the time for contesting the election has passed and the candidate has filed all campaign financial reports required by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 211A, the clerk is hereby directed to deliver a certificate of election to each person entitled thereto. The clerk is also hereby directed to enclose with the certificate a form of acceptance of office and oath of office.

Roll Call: Ayes: Kreun, Forsberg, Amundson, Wheaton, Easter, Stroebel, Hennen; Nays: None

Resolution is adopted.

4. Approval of Community Services Personnel Agreement for 2019-2021

Motion by Easter, seconded by Wheaton, to approve the proposed 2019-2021 agreement between Spring Lake Park School District 16 and the Community Services Personnel as recommended by the Administration. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0)

5. Approval of Health Care Specialists Agreement for 2019-2021

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Stroebel, to approve the proposed 2019-2021 agreement between Spring Lake Park School District 16 and the Health Care Specialists as recommended by the Administration. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0)

G. BOARD FORUM AND REPORTS

Student Representatives Juwaria Jama and Nadine Musa shared information about activities taking place at the high school including the student council led amazing race and the annual blood drive. Member Kreun attended the Centerview PTO meeting and shared the topic highlights. Vice-chairperson Stroebel mentioned he will be attending the upcoming AMSD fall conference. Member Easter attended the Park Terrace PTA meeting and shared the topic highlights. Member Forsberg attended the Lighthouse PTO meeting, shared updates on MSBA, AMSD, and NEMetro916. Chairperson Hennen attended the Woodcrest PTO meeting which highlighted the international intern teacher program.

H. CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Wheaton, seconded by Amundson, to enter in to Closed Session to discuss employee negotiations. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0). Entered into Closed Session at 7:46pm.

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Wheaton, reconvene the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0). Meeting reconvened at 7:59pm.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Easter, seconded by Wheaton, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0) Meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.