



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

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING
School Board, Independent School District 16
Spring Lake Park, MN
Tuesday, October 6, 2020

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chairperson Tony Easter called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. The following school board members were in attendance: Tony Easter, Amy Wheaton, Michael Kreun, John Stroebel, Marilyn Forsberg and Sarah Bowe, along with Superintendent Jeff Ronneberg. School Board member absent: Amy Hennen, personal reasons. The board members met in person, with masks required as well as physical distancing.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

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

C. SOME FUTURE EVENTS (Please check the District website at for a complete list of monthly events www.springlakeparkschools.org)

- Monday, October 12 – Wednesday, October 14, 2020 - No School; Staff Professional Workdays
- Thursday, October 15, 2020 – No School
- Friday, October 16, 2020 - No School; District Services Center closed
- Tuesday, October 27, 2020 - School Board Work Session, 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 10, 2020 Regular School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.- with Communication to the Board and Administration at 6:45 p.m.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Minutes of the August 10, 2020 School Board Work Session, Minutes of the September 15, 2020 School Regular Meeting, and Minutes of the September 29, 2020 School Board Work Session

2. Bills Paid for August 2020, in the following amounts:

BILLS PAID - August 2020	
Fund	Total Payments
General	\$ 1,364,963
Food Service	40,431
Community Education	95,502
Debt Service	-
Trust and Agency	24,050
Building Construction	9,549
Internal Service Funds	5,500
OPEB Debt Services	-
OPEB Trust Account	-
TOTAL	\$ 1,539,995

High expectations, high achievement for all. No excuses.

3. Personnel Items

I. Employments

Name	Location	Position	Start Date	New/Growth /Replace
Suzanne Alcantara	DSC	Bilingual Family Support & Enrollment Specialist	9/15/2020	Replace
Kimberly Berroa	WC	Kindergarten Teacher	9/14/2020	Growth
Rachel Carlson	WW	Special Education Paraprofessional – ASD	9/14/2020	Growth
Lynne Carothers	WW	Academic Specialist	10/1/2020	Replace
Logan Cole	PT	Administrative Assistant	9/14/2020	Replace
Erik Larson	WC	Grade 2 Teacher	9/14/2020	Growth
Rachel Massmann	WC	Long-term Substitute, Behavior Paraprofessional	9/14/2020	Replace
Matthew Settergren	CV	Behavior Paraprofessional	9/23/2020	Replace
Stanley Spraggins	WW	Behavior Paraprofessional	9/22/2020	Replace
Samantha Sweno	NP	Child Care Aide	10/5/2020	Growth
Antonio Thomas	WW	Custodian	9/16/2020	Replace

II. Terminations/Resignations/Non-Renewal of Contract

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Kanaka Baldy	WW	Teachers	Resignation as of September 30, 2020
Kimberly Berroa	WW	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of September 11, 2020
Logan Cole	NP	Child Care Professionals	Resignation as of September 11, 2020
Shan Fellenz	WW	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of October 1, 2020
Guadalupe Fuentes	PT	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of September 9, 2020
Olga Garay	WW	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of September 17, 2020
Krista Havlik	SLPHS	Healthcare Specialists	Resignation as of October 23, 2020
Katey McClary	CV	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of August 24, 2020
Ashley Oman	PT	Healthcare Specialists	Resignation as of October 5, 2020
Amy Rumpca	Early Ed	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of October 9, 2020
Loreen Schulstad	NP	Child Care Professionals	Retirement as of November 6, 2020
Jean Strait	NP	Teachers	Resignation as of September 25, 2020
Angela Walker	CV	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of September 25, 2020
Mercedes Yarbrough	PT	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of October 2, 2020
Christina Ybarra	WW	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of October 1, 2020

III. Leaves of Absence

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Elizabeth Schwartz	PT	Teachers	November 23, 2020 through February 15, 2021
Lori Vachuska	SLPHS	Nutrition Services	September 10, 2020 through June 11, 2021

Motion passed unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0)

E. DISCUSSION, REPORTS, INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **Engaged, Enthusiastic Learners:** Align work of adults to continuously improve personalized Instruction and responsiveness to meet our students' unique and varied needs

K-6 English Language Arts Curriculum Resource – Study Update - Dr. Hope Rahn, Director of Learning and Innovation, Ms. Judi Kahoun, Principal, Northpoint Elementary, Ms. Amy Bjurlin, Coordinator for Learning and Literacy, Ms. Lisa Comstock, Academic Specialist at Northpoint Elementary, and Ms. Sara Kahoun, Grade 1 Teacher at Park Terrace Elementary shared an overview of the curricular review process for K-6 reading. A timeline of the process was shared. Several curricular options were researched and reviewed and the recommendation from the review team is the partner resources Wit & Wisdom and Foundations. Examples of

Kindergarten and 4th grade modules. Work has begun on phase three which is development and implementation of professional learning on the new resources and design of unit lessons, along with timeline of implementation beginning at the start of Tri II. A team of +30 staff members came together starting in February of 2020 to start this curricular review process. The team included 2-3 classroom teachers from each school and districtwide leads and coordinators. Collectively the team has so far dedicated +1500 hours to the process. Board questions and comments followed and focused around the main topics of writing and spelling as part of the resource, does the resource offer periodic updates, and will families and students see noticeable changes in what goes home.

2. Effective Operations: Improve our effective management of human, financial and physical resources
Enrollment Update - Ms. Amy Schultz, Director of Business Services, provided an update on enrollment, including information by grade, school, cohort, and an update on demographics. Current enrollment as of October 6, 2020 is 6,042 students, based on ADM (average daily membership), which is 25 students under the initial 2020-2021 budgeted amount. Enrollment is reviewed weekly throughout the school year. Board questions followed and focused around free and reduced lunch counts.

3. Superintendent's Report - Dr. Jeff Ronneberg, Superintendent of Schools reviewed the requirements and guidelines set by the state regarding learning models and shared that work has started to be prepared if a transition of secondary students to full-time EFL (extended flexible learning) is required based on COVID case counts within Anoka County.

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. American Education Week, November 16-20, 2020

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

WHEREAS, American Education Week was first observed in December 1921 as an opportunity to focus public support on our nation's schools; and

WHEREAS, the strength of our nation depends on a citizenry that values our public schools and supports our children's education; and

WHEREAS, all staff in the district provide a safe, healthy and nourishing learning environment for our children and communities; and

WHEREAS, schools bring together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders, and elected officials in a common enterprise,

WHEREAS, in the year 2020, during an ongoing global pandemic, the education of society's doctors, scientists and trailblazers feels more urgent and relevant than ever.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the School Board of Spring Lake Park Schools hereby designates November 16-20, 2020 as the recognition and celebration of American Education Week in Spring Lake Park Schools.

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

Resolution was adopted.

2. Acknowledgment of Gifts

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Wheaton, to approve 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 presented at this meeting.

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

Resolution was adopted.

G. BOARD FORUM AND REPORTS

Member Stroebel gave an update on the agenda and topics of the most recent AMSD meeting. Member Wheaton recapped the recent Panther Foundation meeting, and attended the Woodcrest Spanish Immersion PTO meeting, virtually. Member Forsberg gave highlights of additional AMSD meeting topics.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Wheaton, seconded by Stroebel, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (6-0) Meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.

Date

Amy Wheaton, Clerk
Spring Lake Park Schools
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Communication to the Board and Administration

A parent in the district shared an experience his student had at the high school related to political topics covered in class by the classroom teacher. The parent shared his frustration and requests for next steps. Vice Chairperson Easter thanked the parent for addressing the School Board and that follow up with the parent will take place by administration. In addition, Dr. Ronneberg connected with the parent just prior to his addressing the board.