



**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, December 15, 2020

**A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairperson Hennen called the meeting to order at 7:10pm. The following School Board members were in attendance: Amy Hennen, Amy Wheaton, Michael Kreun, John Stroebel, Sarah Bowe, along with Superintendent Jeff Ronneberg. School Board members absent: Tony Easter, personal reasons. The meeting took place via WebEx with all members virtual.

**B. AGENDA APPROVAL**

*Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Wheaton, to approve the agenda with the following change(s): addition of motion and second to item 3 under action items. Motion carried with roll call vote of Ayes: Bowe, Stroebel, Forsberg, Kreun, Wheaton, Hennen. Nays: none. (6-0)*

**C. SOME FUTURE EVENTS** (Please check the District website at [www.springlakeparkschools.org](http://www.springlakeparkschools.org) for a complete list of monthly events)

- Wednesday, December 23, 2020 - Friday, January 1, 2021, No School; DSC and Child Care hours listed on the District Website
- Tuesday, January 12, 2021 School Board Organizational and Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m. - with Communication to the Board and Administration at 6:45 p.m.

**D. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

1. Minutes of the October 6 Regular Meeting, October 27 Work Session, November 10 Work Session, November 10 Regular Meeting
2. Bills Paid for October 2020, in the following amounts:

<b>BILLS PAID October 2020</b>	
<b>Fund</b>	<b>Total Payments</b>
General	\$ 3,379,069
Food Service	132,260
Community Education	149,465
Debt Service	950
Trust and Agency	1,500
Building Construction	10,272
Internal Service Funds	6,817

OPEB Debt Services	475
OPEB Trust Account	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,680,808</b>

3. Personnel Items  
**EMPLOYMENTS**

Name	Location	Position	Start Date	New/Growth Replace
Alexandra Cole	PT	Behavior Paraprofessional	11/09/2020	Replace
Elizabeth Ketz	PT/WW	Special Education Teacher – DCD	11/16/2020	Growth
Justin Murray	WW	Instructional Paraprofessional, .2 FTE Band Teacher	11/09/2020	Replace

**TERMINATIONS/RESIGNATIONS/NON-RENEWAL OF CONTRACT**

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Sean Scott	SLPHS	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of November 30, 2020

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Edmund Chuinard	SLPHS	Teachers	December 7, 2020 through June 11, 2021
Michelle Ghosh	SLPHS	Teachers	December 21, 2020 through March 19, 2021
Stephanie LaMere	CV	Teachers	November 17, 2020 through January 29, 2021
Emily Majewski	WW	Teachers	January 27, 2021 through April 20, 2021
Katie Mariscal	CV	Teachers	December 31, 2020 through June 11, 2021
Rani Nicholas	WC	Teachers	December 2, 2020 through June 11, 2021
Rachel Rosales	WW	Teachers	October 12, 2020 through June 11, 2021
Nannapat Teevens	NP	Teachers	January 18, 2021 through April 9, 2021

*Motion carried with roll call vote of Ayes: Bowe, Stroebel, Forsberg, Kreun, Wheaton, Hennen. Nays: none. (6-0)*

**E. PRESENTATIONS, SPECIAL GUESTS, AND RECOGNITIONS**

1. 2020 Budget and Property Tax Presentation (Truth in Taxation) - Ms. Amy Schultz, Director of Business Services, reviewed the current year budget for Spring Lake Park Schools and the proposed property tax levy, highlighting the various funds and any proposed changes, reviewing the budget review process along with the levy calendar, giving an overview of the various levy components, reviewing information related to various COVID expenses, and sharing MN property tax programs and support available to residents. Board comments followed. Time was allowed for public comment and questions.

2. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 – Ms. Amy Schultz introduced Mr. Aaron Nielson, MMKR Certified Accountants, an independent auditor for the school district. Mr. Neilson and his staff performed the audit for the school year ending June 30, 2020 and issued an unmodified, or clean, report of the district’s financial statement. He gave an overview of the issued Management Report, summarizing the results of the annual audit, including opinions and findings, fund balances, expenditures and revenue, financial position of the district, and impacts of Covid-19 for the last quarter of 2020. The audit is available on the school district website. Board comments followed.

**F. DISCUSSION, REPORTS, INFORMATION ITEMS**

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

Monthly Financial Report for October 2020 - Ms. Amy Schultz, Director of Business Services shared the monthly financial report for October 2020 including treasurer's report, expenses, and revenue.

2. Superintendent's Report - Dr. Jeff Ronneberg, Superintendent, provided an update on the status of current learning models and timelines of looking at bringing students back to in-person learning. He also shared information related to offering on-site Covid testing for staff. Board questions and comments followed and focused on the Governor's requirements, MN Department of Health (MDH), and MN Department of Education (MDE).

**G. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Certification of Final 2020 Payable 2021 Property Tax Levy

Motion by Stroebel, seconded by Wheaton, to adopt the Final 2020 Payable 2021 Property Tax Levy and to certify the amounts to the Anoka County Department of Property Tax Administration.

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Certified 2020 Levy</b>
General	\$ 13,371,089.44
Community Services	\$ 516,756.76
General Debt Service	\$ 9,665,137.37
OPEB Debt Service	\$ 886,948.36
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 24,439,931.93</b>

*Motion carried with roll call vote of Ayes: Bowe, Stroebel, Forsberg, Kreun, Wheaton, Hennen. Nays: none. (6-0)*

2. Resolution Establishing Combined Polling Places for School District Elections Not Held on the Day of a Statewide Election

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

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COMBINED POLLING PLACES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS NOT HELD ON THE DAY OF A STATEWIDE ELECTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Spring Lake Park Independent School District #16, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the precincts and polling places for school district elections are those precincts or parts of precincts located within the boundaries of the school district which have been established by the cities or towns located in whole or in part within the school district. The board hereby confirms those precincts and polling places so established by those municipalities.

2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the board may establish a combined polling place comprised of several municipal precincts for school elections not held on the day of a statewide election. The combined polling places are to be established annually, prior to December 31, to serve the precincts specified for all school district special and general elections not held on the same day as a statewide election. Each combined polling place must be a polling place that has been designated by a county or municipality. Those combined polling places are listed below:

Precinct 1: Encompasses all territory in Spring Lake Park ISD #16 located in the Cities of Fridley and Spring Lake Park.

Precinct 2: Encompasses all territory in Spring Lake Park ISD #16 located in the City of Blaine.

3. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the following polling places are hereby designated for said combined precincts for all special and general elections not held on the same day as a statewide election:

Precinct 1: Woodcrest Elementary School  
880 Osborne Road NE  
Fridley, MN

Precinct 2: National Sports Center - The Welcome Center  
1750 105<sup>th</sup> Ave NE  
Blaine, MN

4. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.09, the polling places will remain open for voting for school district elections between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

5. The Clerk shall also file a certified copy of this resolution with said County Auditor.

Roll Call: Ayes: Bowe, Stroebel, Forsberg, Kreun, Wheaton, Hennen. Nays: none.

*Resolution adopted. (6-0)*

### 3. Acknowledgment of Gifts

*Motion by Wheaton, seconded by Stroebel to adopt the following resolution:*

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

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.

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

*Resolution was adopted. (6-0)*

## **H. BOARD FORUM AND REPORTS**

Member Forsberg shared an update on her recent virtual meeting with NEMetro916, See Me Grow, MSBA Delegate Assembly, and the recent AMSD meeting and AMSD platform. Member Wheaton thanked Member Forsberg for serving on those committees and keeping the board up to date. Chairperson Hennen asked Colleen Pederson to share information related to the Panthers for a Purpose event, which is in place of the annual gala this year.

## **I. CLOSED SESSION**

*Motion by Wheaton, seconded by Forsberg, to enter into Closed Session to discuss purchase of property. Motion carried with roll call vote of Ayes: Bowe, Stroebel, Forsberg, Kreun, Wheaton, Hennen. Nays: none. (6-0) Entered into Closed Session at 8:30pm.*

*Motion by Stroebel, seconded by Wheaton, to reconvene the meeting. Motion carried with roll call vote of Ayes: Bowe, Stroebel, Forsberg, Kreun, Wheaton, Hennen. Nays: none. (6-0) Meeting reconvened at 8:36pm.*

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Stroebel, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with roll call vote of Ayes: Bowe, Stroebel, Forsberg, Kreun, Wheaton, Hennen. Nays: none. (6-0) Meeting adjourned at 8:37pm*

Due to guidelines regarding COVID-19 and the district being in the extended flexible learning model, the School Board and Administration will not be meeting in person for this work session. The public may join the meeting via conference call.

Communication to the Board and Administration

Three parents addressed the board and administration sharing personal family experiences of their children in the extended flexible and hybrid/modified learning models, asking the board to please consider carefully as the decision is being considered to go to full time extended flexible learning, encouraging the board to bring students back to in-person learning, and sharing their appreciation for the work that staff, administration, and the board are doing.

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Date

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Amy Wheaton, Clerk  
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