



Spring Lake Park Schools
District Services Center
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MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION
School Board, Spring Lake Park Schools ISD #16
Spring Lake Park, MN
Tuesday, May 25, 2021

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Hennen called the meeting to order at 6:02pm. The following board members were in attendance: Amy Hennen, Tony Ester, Amy Wheaton, Marilynn Forsberg, John Stroebel, and Michael Kreun, along with Superintendent Jeff Ronneberg. Board member Sarah Bowe arrived at 6:03pm.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Easter, seconded by Wheaton, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0). (Member Bowe arrived after the motion was approved)

Chairperson Hennen mentioned that due to updates to the State's COVID health and safety requirements and guidelines, board members at tonight's meeting were physically distanced with masks optional. All members were unmasked.

C. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. District Operational plan 2021-22 Update: Brief Overview, Update and Feedback: SLP Schools Online 2021-22, and Transitioning Out of the Pandemic - Accelerating Student Learning – Dr. Jeff Ronneberg highlighted the projects in the draft version of the one-page 2021-2022 District Operational Plan (DOP). Tonight's presentation emphasized the project *Transition Out of the Pandemic* which provides student learning opportunities for students who struggled and students who excelled during the year of learning model transitions due to the pandemic. Dr. Hope Rahn gave a high-level overview of the various aspects of the *Transition Out of the Pandemic* project including K-12 Online School and options for additional learning support and accelerated learning. MDE has approved the expansion of the SLP Schools Online programming to grades K-12. The online school for grades 9-12 will look very similar to the previous years of the program and discovery work and initial design for grades K-8 has taken place, including insights gained from parents and the 2020-2021 school year learning models. Further partnership conversations with EdVanti were supported by the board. Board discussion took place and focused on aspects of the multi-age classroom option, which will be piloted for grades 1-4 at Northpoint Elementary, and the K-12 online school program.

Use of ESSER Funds update – moved to Discussion Item 2.

2. FY22 Budget Planning and Development – Ms. Amy Schultz shared a summary of the proposed budget for the 2021-2022 school year, which reflects the assumptions as stated on the budget Guiding Change which the board and administration created in partnership, highlighting a couple of changes since the board retreat in April, as well as reviewing the ESSER Funds which will be part of the FY22 budget. In addition, Ms. Schultz gave a quick overview of the one-year federally funded Seamless Summer nutrition program option which offers free breakfast and lunch to all students for the 2021-2022 school year, in place of the National School Lunch Program. Board members shared their feedback and support the Seamless Summer nutrition program for Spring Lake Park Schools for 2021-2022.

3. Board Calendar Review – Chairperson Hennen asked for feedback on a proposed 2021-2022 board meeting date change from October 5 to October 12 for that month’s regular meeting and the August board meeting staying as August 10 at this time. Board feedback supported the change/confirmation. The 2021-2022 board meeting calendar will be up for approval at the June 8 board meeting.

4. Other – Chairperson Hennen highlighted the district policy review timeline and asked for any discussion around policies 101, 603, and 606 which approval to initiate review took place at the May board meeting. Board discussion took place around authority, approval and the governance model in these three policies. A consensus was not reached among board members regarding the proposed policy revisions and it was agreed that Chairperson Hennen would schedule a small group meeting for additional conversation to create a next revision to bring to the board for a second 1st reading.

D. CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Easter, seconded by Stroebel, to enter into Closed Session to discuss employee negotiations. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0). Entered into Closed Session at 8:20pm.

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Bowe, to reconvene the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0). Meeting reconvened at 8:29pm.

Meeting reconvened and Member Bowe asked a few follow up questions about graduation, clarification on parent access to Schoology and parent portal, and amount of time for Gifted and Talented programming in the 2020-2021 school year.

Chairperson Hennen asked for board feedback in leaving school committee assignments the same for the 2021-2022 school year PTO/PTA parent meetings.

E. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Easter, seconded by Forsberg, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all member voting yes. (7-0) Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.

Date

Amy Wheaton, Clerk
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