



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

SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING
Spring Lake Park School Board, Spring Lake Park Schools
Spring Lake Park, MN
Tuesday, November 9, 2021

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Hennen called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. The following School Board members were attendance: Amy Hennen, Tony Easter, Amy Wheaton-remote, Sarah Bowe, Michael Kreun, Marilynn Forsberg and John Stroebel, along with Superintendent Jeff Ronneberg and Student Council student representatives Ellie Jeppson and Bella Sciara-remote.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Easter, seconded by Forsberg, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0)

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

- Wednesday, November 24 - Friday, November 26, 2021 No School for students and staff District Services Center (DSC) Closed on Nov 25 and Nov. 26
- Thursday, December 2, 2021, School Board Retreat, 11:30am
- Tuesday, December 14, 2021 School Board Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m., includes Truth in Taxation Meeting, Communication to the Board and Administration at 6:45 p.m.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Minutes of the October 12, 2021 School Board Regular Meeting and Minutes of the October 26, 2021 School Board Work Session
2. Bills Paid for September 2021, in the following amounts:

BILLS PAID September 2021	
Fund	Total Payments
General	\$ 2,608,959
Food Service	171,268
Community Education	198,817
Debt Service	-
Trust and Agency	16,900
Building Construction	602
Internal Service Funds	155,273
OPEB Debt Services	-
OPEB Trust Account	-
TOTAL	\$ 3,151,819

3. Personnel Items

EMPLOYMENTS

Name	Location	Position	Start Date	New, Growth or Replace
Carmalita Anderson	EC	Special Education Paraprofessional	11/3/2021	Replace
Laurel Dietz	SLPHS	ELL Teacher	10/18/2021	Replace
Natalie Fortin	PT	Behavior Paraprofessional	10/11/2021	Replace
Lori Gandhi	WW	Instructional Paraprofessional	11/8/2021	Replace
Casey Gustafson	SLPHS	Grounds/Custodian	11/1/2021	Replace
Fannita Jones	PT	Behavior Paraprofessional	10/29/2021	Replace
Emily Marolt	DSC	Child Care Assistant Teacher	11/1/2021	Replace
Madeline Myhre	SLPHS	Custodian	10/20/2021	Replace
Madison Pawlyshyn	SLPHS	Special Education Paraprofessional	10/25/2021	Replace
Leslie Rae	CV	Behavior Paraprofessional	10/25/2021	Replace

TERMINATIONS/RESIGNATIONS/SEPARATIONS FROM EMPLOYMENT

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Brian Leonard	District-wide	Custodians	Resignation as of October 22, 2021
Justin Murray	WW	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of October 29, 2021
Jeffrey Paulson	PT	Custodians	Resignation as of October 20, 2021
Rachel Pederson	SLPHS	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of October 15, 2021
Douglas Stahl	DSC	Unaffiliated	Retirement as of October 29, 2021

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Noelle Fields	CV	Teachers	December 20, 2021 through March 18, 2022
Dani Larson	WW	Teachers	October 7, 2021 through December 10, 2021
Alexia Swanson	NP	Teachers	March 28, 2022 through June 10, 2022

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

E. DISCUSSION, REPORTS, INFORMATION ITEMS

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

Fall 2021 Athletics/Activities Update - Mr. Will Wackman, SLPHS Athletic Director, shared an overview and highlights of the Fall 2021 athletics and activities programs, reviewing the athletics/activities offered, highlighting student participation and outcomes, the work done to keep programs going this fall despite the pandemic, along with sharing the purpose of the work – to create a great experience for kids, to create community, and teach character that kids can take with them on to the next aspects of their life. Students Devin Nordin (12), Genevieve Nusbaum (12), Carissa Roell (12) and Coach John Stewart (football) shared highlights of their experiences of inclusivity, positive team environment, program growth, and life lessons during 2021 fall sports. Board questions and comments followed, focusing around academic eligibility, success of students when involved in athletics/activities, appreciation for the work being done and Mr. Wackman's enthusiasm for his work.

Update on Outreach, Communication, and Enrolling for Fall 2022 - Ms. Erika Taibl, Director of Communications and Marketing, and Ms. Colleen Pederson, Director of Community Education and Outreach shared information highlighting the work being done in preparation for Fall 2022, which included a brief overview of personalized learning, 12x12, Spanish Immersion, Career and College

Pathways, modern/flexible learning spaces, enrollment activities and timelines, strengthening parent, student and family experiences, transitions of students new to the district/new to a school, and opportunities to welcome kindergarten students and families. Board question and comments followed, focusing on career and college pathways, transition opportunities for students, Panther Mentors, and student voice.

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

Monthly Financial Report – September 2021 - Ms. Amy Schultz, Director of Business Services, shared the September 2021 cash basis financial report including treasurer’s report, revenue and expenditures. In addition, Ms. Schultz shared that the new road, constructed on the old velodrome site, at Centerview will be open next week.

3. Superintendent’s Report – Dr. Ronneberg shared his appreciation for all staff and looks forward to American Ed Week gatherings. He also highlighted COVID rapid testing available for students and staff with symptoms and thanked Mr. Tony Mayer and Ms. Becca Williams for their leadership in organizing this opportunity for our school district staff and students. He also gave a brief summary of the ongoing planning efforts looking at creative ways to address the labor and sub shortage.

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. Canvassing Returns of Votes of Spring Lake Park Independent School District No 16 General Election held November 2, 2021

Motion by Easter, seconded by Stroebel, to approve 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 2, 2021, was in all respects duly and legally held.
2. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 1,749 voters of the district voted at said General Election on the election of four (4) school board members for four (4) four (4) year terms 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
Marilynn Forsberg	791	X
Michael Kreun	1,125	X
Allie Schmidt	734	
Melody Skelly	1,184	X
Sam Villella	847	X
Write-In	285	

3. Melody Skelly, Michael Kreun, Sam Villella, and Marilynn Forsberg, having received the highest number of votes, are elected to four (4) year terms beginning on the first Monday in January 2022.

4. 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.

5. 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: Forsberg, Kreun, Wheaton, Stroebel, Bowe, Easter, Hennen; Nays: None

Resolution was adopted. (7-0)

2. First Reading to Initiate Review of Policy

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Bowe, initiating the first reading of policy for review:

707 Transportation of Public School Students

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

3. Adopt Proposed Policy Modifications

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Easter, to approve the adoption of the following policies with proposed modifications. (School Board Policy 208 states: If a policy is modified with minor changes that do not affect the substance of the policy or because of a legal change over which the school board has no control, the modified policy may be approved at one meeting at the discretion of the school board.)

404 Criminal and Other Background Checks

424 License Status

427 Workload Limits for Special Education Teachers

601 School District Curriculum and Instruction Goals

602 Organization of School Calendar and School Day

708 Transportation of Nonpublic School Students

711 Video Recording on School Buses

712 Video Surveillance Other than on Buses

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

4. Acknowledgment of Gifts

Motion by Easter, seconded by Bowe, 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, Wheaton, Stroebel, Bowe, Easter, Hennen; Nays: None

Resolution was adopted.

G. BOARD FORUM AND REPORTS

Student Council student representatives Ellie Jeppson and Bella Sciara shared updates on recent and upcoming events at the high school, highlighting the upcoming blood drive. Member Bowe shared that the Westwood PTO is looking for additional members. Member Kreun shared highlights of a recent SLP Lions Foundation meeting. Member Forsberg share an update on NE Metro 916 and the National School Boards Convention taking place April 2022. Dr. Ronneberg recognized Member Forsberg for her accomplishments including being a Spring Lake Park Schools board member for 40 years and completing the most MSBA learning credits ever recorded. He also elaborated on NE Metro 916, that it is a collaboration of 13 school districts, of which Spring Lake Park Schools is a member through a joint powers agreement. Chairperson Hennen shared that on December 14th the board will hold a reception for outgoing board members Wheaton and Stroebel.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Bowe, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members voting yes. (7-0) Meeting adjourned at 8:46pm.

Date

Amy Wheaton, Clerk
Spring Lake Park Schools
Independent School District 16