

St. Louis Park Public Schools
Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting
Study Session
Tuesday, March 8, 2022– 6:30 p.m.
St. Louis Park High School Room C350

The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 283 of St. Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota, convened at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 in St. Louis Park High School Room C350. Present were Board Members Anne Casey, Abdihakim Ibrahim, Ken Morrison, C. Colin Cox, Heather Wilsey, and Superintendent Astein Osei.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Anne Casey called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Wilsey to approve the agenda, as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Osei, in celebration of National School Social Workers Week, thanked the district's school social workers for their contributions especially during the pandemic. He then welcomed Sarah Davis and Virginia Mancini to the School Board. At a special meeting on Wednesday, March 2, the St. Louis Park Public Schools School Board approved a resolution appointing Sarah Davis and Virginia Mancini to the Board. Davis and Mancini were chosen from a pool of five finalists to fill two vacancies after the resignations of former board members Laura McClendon and Mary Tomback. Next, he shared that St. Louis Park Public Schools is pleased to announce that Park Virtual, a K-12 virtual learning experience, is being developed for the 2022-23 school year. Park Virtual will provide a rigorous academic experience that is aligned to state standards while flexible to meet the unique needs of every student and family situation. An information session will be held on Monday, March 21. Superintendent Osei congratulated the High School Quiz Bowl Team for placing second at the Minnesota High School Quiz Bowl League Playoffs last month at Burnsville High School. His report concluded by inviting community members to support the St. Louis Park High School Choirs as they present their Gala Fundraising Performances of "A Chorus Line: High School Edition" with two upcoming shows remaining in the month of March.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Curriculum & Instruction: Health and Physical Education Update

Patrick Duffy, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, presented an update from the Health and Physical Education Design Team. The team presented their racial equity purpose statement, more about each team member and why they feel this work is important, and highlights of work being done in health and physical education.

World's Best Workforce & Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Presentation

Silvy Un Lafayette, Director of Assessment, Research and Evaluation, presented information connected to World's Best Workforce and the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Dr. Lafayette shared key points connected to World's Best Workforce and ESSA from the August 2021 Data Advance, how SLP uses a balanced assessment system to study student data, and progress of the goals of the district in connection to World's Best Workforce and ESSA.

Potential Special Election

Patricia Magnuson, Director of Business Services, provided information so that School Board members will be prepared to take action to call for a special election at a future meeting. She presented information on forces for and against a special election in August 2022 and provided other possible election dates in 2022 and 2023. She then provided information about the issue of a construction bond noting that all construction items being considered enhance the daily lived experience of students, stabilize costs and conserve energy, maintain core operations, and improve safety and security. Next, she provided information on a capital project levy for technology. Magnuson then discussed the tax impact on residents, specific proposed ballot language, and the timeline.

Budget Update

Patricia Magnuson, Director of Business Services, presented a budget update and included information on FY23 expense parameters. The presentation purpose was to prepare the school board to take action at its March 22 meeting to approve the FY2022 mid-year budget update and FY2023 General Fund budget parameters and Operating Capital budget.

Policy Development - First Reading of Policy 616 School District System Accountability & 808 COVID-19 Face Covering

The School Board reviewed policies 616 School District System Accountability and 808 COVID-19 Face Covering as a first reading.

Policy Development - Third Reading of Policy 515 Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records

The School Board reviewed policy 515 Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records as a third reading.

ACTION AGENDA

Approval of Policies 515 Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records & 808 COVID-19 Face Covering

A motion was made by Cox, seconded by Wilsey to approve policy 515 Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records, as presented. The motion passed 5-0. A motion was made by Ibrahim, seconded by Morrison to approve policy 808 COVID-19 Face Covering, as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSMITTALS

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Casey to adjourn. The motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

C. Colin Cox, Clerk

Anne Casey, Chair

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