



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

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION

School Board, Spring Lake Park Schools

Spring Lake Park, MN

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Hennen called the meeting to order at 6:01pm. All board members were in attendance including Amy Hennen, Tony Easter, Marilyn Forsberg, Sarah Bowe, Michael Kreun, Melody Skelly, and Sam Villela, along with Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

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

C. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Update: Enhancing Partnership with Families: Ms. Hope Rahn, Executive Director for Learning and Innovation, Ms. Erika Taibl, Communications and Marketing Director, and Dr. Jeff Ronneberg, Superintendent, presented an update of the 2022-2023 District Operational Plan, under the Communications and Connections Strategic Anchor, highlighting Enhancing Partnership with Families. Ms. Taibl highlighted the curricular experiences each of the buildings are designing. These curricular experiences will be starting in October at the schools. Ms. Rahn highlighted the Counseling Connections and Direct Admissions Minnesota partnership. This is a pilot program with 52 colleges and universities, where current senior students will have the opportunity to submit an application through the common app that will go to all of the 52 colleges participating in this program and students will know if they can be accepted to any of these colleges. Board member's questions and comments focused on the Direct Admission Minnesota pilot shared at tonight's meeting.
2. Meal Balances and Parent Notifications: Ms. Amy Schultz, Director of Business Services and Dr. Jeff Ronneberg, Superintendent, shared that SLP is projecting to have approximately 47% of the student population qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch. The Board, along with Superintendent Ronneberg and Ms. Schultz, reviewed language for notifications to families regarding their meal balances and to continue communicating with families to fill out their educational benefits application. Board member's questions and comments followed.
3. Solar and LED Update and Timelines: Ms. Amy Schultz, Director of Business Services, has been working with Ameresco, an energy efficiency company, that will do a walkthrough of the buildings in October and early November to provide some recommendations for the school district regarding solar and LED lighting.

4. Preliminary Taxes Payable 2023 – Ms. Amy Schultz, Director of Business Services, shared a brief update on the process and timeline for the proposed property tax levy. The board will see details of the proposed budget over the next several months, including discussion around any necessary adjustment to the preliminary levy.
5. Other – Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg, presented information regarding homecoming week and the rules and expectations for high school and middle school students. He shared that the high school is considering having three early release dates for teachers to work on collaboration and learner profiles. He will also be sharing an article with the Board that is going out to families in newsletters. Director Bowe brought up subs pay rate and what other school districts are paying subs.

D. ACTION ITEMS

Approval to Certify the Proposed 2022 Payable 2023 Maximum Property Tax Levy

Motion by Easter, seconded by Forsberg, to approve the certification of proposed 2022 Payable 2023 maximum Property Tax Levy. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (7-0)

E. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Skelly to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (7-0). Meeting adjourned at 7:17pm

Date

Marilynn Forsberg, Clerk
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