



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

**SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING**  
**Spring Lake Park Schools School Board**  
**Spring Lake Park, MN**  
**January 10, 2023**

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

Chairperson Easter called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. Board members present were Amy Hennen, Tony Easter, Sarah Bowe, Marilyn Forsberg, Sam Villela, and Melody Skelly, along with Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg and Student Council Representative Kennedy Cuddihy.

**B. AGENDA APPROVAL**

*Motion by Forsberg seconded by Hennen, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (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)

- Monday, January 16, 2023 - No School for Students or Staff; buildings, childcare, and District Services Center closed
- Tuesday, January 24, 2023 - School Board Retreat, 11:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 14, 2023 - School Board Regular Meeting, 7:00p.m. with Communication to the Board and Administration at 6:45 p.m.

**D. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

1. Minutes of the December 13, 2022, Regular Meeting and Work Session
2. Bills Paid for November 2022, in the following amounts:

<b>BILLS PAID NOVEMBER 2022</b>	
<b>Fund</b>	<b>Total Payments</b>
General	\$ 3,276,278
Food Service	233,012
Community Education	157,031
Debt Service	-

Building Construction	-
Internal Service Funds	61,555
OPEB Debt Services	-
OPEB Trust Account	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,727,876</b>

### 3. Personnel Items

#### **EMPLOYMENTS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>New, Growth or Replace</b>
Ahmed Hassan	SLPHS	Custodian	12/20/2022	Replace
Erika Olson	CV	Special Education Paraprofessionior - EBD	1/5/2023	Replace
Fairuza Suleiman	WW	Student Advocate	1/9/2023	Replace
Courtney Walsh	DW	Elementary Building Substitute Teacher	1/3/2023	New

#### **TERMINATIONS/RESIGNATIONS/SEPARATIONS FROM EMPLOYMENT**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Employee Group</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Kimberly Hagen	SLPHS	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of December 22, 2022
Phillip Menge	PT	Teachers	Resignation as of December 16, 2022
Jordan Murray	WCSI	Custodians	Resignation as of December 7, 2022
Angela Nelson	SLPHS	Clerical	Resignation as of December 22, 2022

#### **LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Employee Group</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Desiree Anderson	SLPHS	Teachers	March 17, 2023 to August 25, 2023
Shelly Deegan	SLPHS	Teachers	December 19, 2022 to August 25, 2023
Elizabeth Nordgren	DSC	Unaffiliated	April 10, 2023 to June 30, 2023
Angell Pearson	DSC	Clerical	January 5, 2023 to February 8, 2023
Sandra Schommer	NP	Paraprofessionals	November 29, 2022 to February 28, 2023
Elizabeth Schwartz	WCSI	Teachers	April 24, 2023 to August 25, 2023
Margaret Zobitz	WW	Teachers	January 3, 2023 to February 6, 2023

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

Ms. Amy Schultz, Executive Director of Business Services introduced Mr. Aaron Nielson with MMKR Certified Accountants, and independent auditor for the school district. Mr. Nielson and his staff performed

the audit for the year ending June 30, 2022, and issued an unmodified, or clean report of the district's financial statement, including no instances of non-compliance or material weaknesses. He gave an overview of the issued Management Report, summarizing the results of the annual audit, fund balances, expenditures and revenue, and financial position of the district. The audit is available on the school district website. Board comments followed.

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

- 1. Effective Operations** – Ms. Erika Taibl, Executive Director of Communications and Marketing, shared an update highlighting upcoming enrollment, registration, and grade level transition events being held to enhance connections with families. Enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year opened on November 1, 2022. Outreach to families regarding enrollment has begun including mailings to the community as well as communication with current families with children of kindergarten age. Dates for upcoming opportunities were shared for students/families moving from 4th to 5th grade, 6th to 7th grade, 8th to 9th grade, and for new students/families to the district for the 2023-2024 school year. A brief overview of registration for grades 7 – 12 was given, including opportunities for parents and students to learn more about courses and supports in planning for career and college.
- 2. Effective Operations** - Ms. Amy Schultz, Executive Director of Business Services, presented the monthly financial report for the month of November. Ms. Schultz shared the cash basis financial report including the treasurer's report, revenue, and expenditures.
- 3. Superintendent's Report** – Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg highlighted in his report different activities taking place throughout the district. He mentioned the wonderful experience that students had with Shark Tank, where students pitched their business plans to a panel of judges and industry experts. He highlighted the article that Wold Architects and Engineers featured on how classrooms of the future will support the individual needs of learners. He provided a brief update on the construction trades house, mentioned some of the fun activities that took place with the snow, and presented information on upcoming events.

**G. ACTION ITEMS**

**1. Second Reading to Adopt Proposed Policy Change**

*Motion by Villela, seconded by Hennen* to approve the adoption of the following policy with proposed changes:

806 - Emergency Preparedness/Response

*Motion carried unanimously. (6-0)*

**2. Acknowledgement of Gifts**

*Motion by Forsberg seconded by Bowe* to approve 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.

Roll Call: Aye: *Villela, Skelly, Bowe, Easter, Forsberg, and Hennen. Nays: None*

*Resolution was adopted. (6-0).*

**H. BOARD FORUM AND REPORTS (IF ANY)**

Student council representative, Ms. Cuddihy, shared information about One Act play, Panther mentor program, basketball bonanza, winter spirit week in February, and the formal dance. She also gave some updates in athletics. Member Villela attended the PTO meeting at Northpoint. Member Forsberg and Hennen attended the AMSD meeting, and member Forsberg also attended Live on 65, and a Lions event.

**I. CLOSED SESSION**

*Motion by Villela, seconded by Hennen to enter into Closed Session to discuss employee negotiations. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0) Entered into Closed Session at 7:48pm.*

*Motion by Skelly, seconded by Bowe, to reconvene the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0). Meeting reconvened at 8:03pm.*

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Skelly, seconded by Villela, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes (6-0). Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.*

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Marilynn Forsberg, Clerk  
Spring Lake Park Schools  
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