

REGULAR MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING MARCH 27, 2007

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union, New Jersey, was held at the Jonathan Dayton High School Instructional Media Center-First Floor on Tuesday, March 27, 2007 at 7:03 P.M.

President’s Statement: Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, the Board Secretary caused notice of the meeting to be given to the public and the press on April 24, 2006 and revised on March 14, 2007.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes.

Present: Mr. Anthony Delia, Miss Linda Duke, Mr. Lloyd Grossman, Dr. David Hollander, Mrs. Judith Millman (arrived 7:04), Mr. Irwin Sablosky, Mrs. Fran Sandler, Mrs. Patricia Venezia (arrived 7:04), Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes

Also

Present: Mr. Michael Davino, Superintendent (arrived 7:30)
Mrs. Hillary Corburn, Assistant Superintendent (arrived 7:30)
Mr. Matthew Clarke, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary
Mrs. Elyn Atherton, Director of Human Resources (arrived 7:30)

2. CLOSED SESSION (7:04)

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, to suspend the rules of the order of business of the Regular Meeting and adjourn to closed conference session for the reasons contained in the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

“WHEREAS the Board of Education must discuss subjects concerning personnel, legal matters, student discipline and negotiations which are not appropriate subjects to be discussed in a public meeting and which are within the exemptions permitted to be discussed and acted upon in private session pursuant to P.L. 1975 Chapter 231, it is therefore

RESOLVED that the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in private session by this Board and the administrative staff and information pertaining thereto will be made available to the public as soon thereafter as possible and once the reasons for non-disclosure no longer exist.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

3. CLOSED CONFERENCE ITEMS

- 1. Legal
- 2. Personnel
- 3. Negotiations

4. RECONVENE (7:32)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs Sandler, approval to reconvene the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6. MINUTES

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr.Sablosky, to approve the following minutes:

- Regular Meeting - March 5, 2007
- Special Meeting - March 12, 2007

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

7. PUBLIC SESSION (7:36 PM)

There were no comments or suggestions from the public at this time.

8. PUBLIC HEARING (7:38-9:25 PM)

The 2007-2008 Budget was presented by Mr. Davino, Mr. Clarke and the Board of Education.

The following members of the public asked questions regarding the proposed 2007-2008 budget and areas to be adjusted:

- Dan Kerk Steve Wolcott
- Michele Downey Alan Depths
- Pam Webb Rebecca Kerk
- Dana Stone

9. RESOLUTION OF 2007-2008 BUDGET

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Dr. Hollander, approval of the Proposed Budget for the 2007-2008 school year in the amount of \$32,548,184 with the district tax requirement of \$28,595,884 to be placed on the ballot at the Annual School Election to be held on Tuesday, April 17, 2007. (Attachment A)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

10. BILL LIST

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of computer checks numbered 016484 through 016647 and wire transfer 800029 in the amount of \$2,992,651.60 minus voided checks numbers 015240, 016341, 016472 in the amount of \$35,927.42 for a grand total of \$2,956,724.18.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

11. BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of the Board Secretary’s Report dated February 28, 2007 and that it be received and placed on file.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

12. TREASURER’S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of the Treasurer’s Report dated February 28, 2007 that it be received and placed on file.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

13. LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of the transfer of funds from and to the following line item accounts as designated. (Attachment B)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

14. BOARD’S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13 (e) and after review of the Board Secretary’s and Treasurer’s monthly financial reports and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, I move the Board certify that to the best of its knowledge as of February 28, 2007 no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

15. PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the appointment of personnel on the attachment. (Attachment C)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

16. NON-PUBLIC TEXTBOOK 2007-08

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Grossman, approval of the attached resolution for the Springfield School District to enter into an agreement with the Union County Educational Services Commission to administer its Non-Public Textbook Program P.L. 192-193 for the 2007-2008 school year. (Attachment D)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

17. OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENT

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Grossman, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move that the Board of Education approve the revised out-of-district placement for the following student for the 2006 – 2007 school year:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Tuition And Dates</u>
0803	New Beginnings Fairfield, NJ	\$1,871.10 (half-day placement from 3/19/07 – 4/05/07)
0803	New Beginnings Fairfield, NJ	\$13,889.08 (full-day placement from 4/16/07 – 6/27/07).

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

18. HOME INSTRUCTION SERVICES

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Grossman, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval to enter into a contract with the *Stepping Forward Counseling Center*, Livingston, NJ to provide home instruction services for a special education student (0803) at the rate of \$65/hour for the 2006-07 school year beginning February 12, 2007.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

19. CEREBRAL PALSY OF NORTH JERSEY

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Grossman, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval to enter into a contract with the *Cerebral Palsy of North Jersey*, Maplewood, NJ to provide augmentative and alternative communication assessment at the rate of \$525 per evaluation for the 2006-07 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

20. COMPREHENSIVE EQUITY PLAN

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, approval to submit to New Jersey Department of Education the Comprehensive Equity Plan for Academic Years 2007-2008 through 2009-2010.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

21. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAVEL

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the attached personnel travel for Professional Development. (Attachment F)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

22. OVERNIGHT TRIP JSA

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the following overnight field trip –

- JSA – JSA Spring State Parsippany, NJ (April 28-29, 2007)

Yeas: Mr. Grossman, Mrs. Millman, Mr. Sablosky. Mrs. Sandler, Mrs. Venezia, Mrs. Shanes

Abstention: Mr. Delia, Miss Duke, Dr. Hollander MOTION CARRIED

23. OVERNIGHT TRIP ALTERNATIVES CLUB

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs Venezia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the following overnight field trip –

- Alternatives Club – Promote Personal Growth Stony Acres ESU, East Stroudsburg, PA (May 31- June 1, 2007)

Yeas: Mr. Grossman, Mrs. Millman, Mr. Sablosky. Mrs. Sandler, Mrs. Venezia, Mrs. Shanes

Abstention: Mr. Delia, Miss Duke, Dr. Hollander MOTION CARRIED

24. ITINERANT SERVICES

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs Sandler, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move to approve entering into a contract with the Lake Drive School, Mountain Lakes BOE to provide itinerant services for the following special education students at the rate of \$111/hour for the 2006-07 school year

<u>Student</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
1904	12	\$ 1,332.00
1313	54	\$ 5,994.00
2119	97	\$10,767.00

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

25. TRANSPORTATION

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Miss Duke, approval of the resolution authorizing the Springfield Board of Education to participate in coordinated transportation agreements hosted by the Union County Educational Services Commission for the 2006-2007 school year. (Attachment G)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

26. 2nd PUBLIC SESSION (10:01 – 10:25 PM)

The following members of the public had questions or concerns regarding athletics and staffing:

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| Dana Stone | Rebecca Kerk |
| Katherine Mooney | Sy Mullman |
| Cheryl Mullman | |

27. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. The Board discussed the possible use of the new Mesiel Track
- 2. This year’s JDHS performance/production of *Godspell* was outstanding and, perhaps one of the best in many years
- 3. Teachers of the Year were announced:

Walton	Mary Perdomo
Sandmeier	Kristine Murray
Caldwell	Lisa Bierly
Gaudineer	Judy Cariani
Dayton	Ronald Slate

28. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Miss Duke asked for an update regarding the Hall of Fame nomination from the Class of 1955

29. CLOSED SESSION (10:25)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, to extend the meeting past 11:00 PM and suspend the rules of the order of business of the Regular Meeting and adjourn to closed conference session for the reasons contained in the following resolution:

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Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

30. CLOSED CONFERENCE ITEMS

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31. RECONVENE (11:30 PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Millman, approval to reconvene the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

32. ADJOURNMENT (11:30PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 PM.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

Next Regular Meeting April 16, 2007 at 7:30 PM in the IMC at JDHS.

Matthew A. Clarke
Business Administrator/Board Secretary