

REGULAR MEETING APRIL 23, 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 Monday, April 23, 2007 at 8:03 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.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Mrs. Judith Millman.

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

Also

Present: Mr. Michael Davino, Superintendent
Mrs. Hillary Corburn, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Matthew Clarke, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary
Mrs. Ellyn Atherton, Director of Human Resources

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. COMMUNICATIONS

Note of appreciation from Barbara Walsh for book donation

4. MINUTES

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Delia, to approve the following minutes:
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Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

5. PUBLIC SESSION (8:07-8:09 PM)

The following members of the public had comments or concerns about the give back day for school closing on May 25th
Steve Wolcott

6. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Student Recognitions in Teen Arts Festival:

- a. Ashley Maas will compete at state level in the *Monologue/Small Scene* category. (she is one of four from Union County)
- b. The Dayton Choir and Gaudineer’s TV Studio will represent Union County
- c. *Union County Touring Art Exhibit* will feature Christina Karas, Kathryn Marx, Jennifer Wexler, Michele Leokumovich, and Remy Schneider (FMG)
- d. *Union County Creative Writing* will feature Charline Tetiyevsky

- e. *Union County Art Reproduction* will feature work from Brenda Leu, Carrie Bertsky, Jenna Guida and Alexa Williams (FMG)
- f. *Visual Arts* will be represented by Sarah Hurwitz, Lisa Thekkan and Keyyara Baxter (FMG)
- g. The Graduating Class of 2007 has been accepted to many prestigious Colleges such as: Cornell, Drexel, Emory, Princeton, Purdue and Tulane

7. BILL LIST

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, approval of computer checks numbered 016648 through 016764 and wire transfer 800030 in the amount of \$2,639,586.93 minus voided check number 016573 in the amount of \$975.00 for a grand total of \$2,638,611.93.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

8. BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, approval of the Board Secretary’s Report dated March 31, 2007 and that it be received and placed on file.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

9. TREASURER’S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, approval of the Treasurer’s Report dated March 31, 2007 that it be received and placed on file.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

10. LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

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

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

11. BOARD’S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, 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 March 31, 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

12. 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 B)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

13. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAVEL

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the attached personnel travel for Professional Development. (Attachment C)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

14. STUDENT TEACHERS

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, approval of the attached list of Student Teachers for the 2007 – 2008 school year. (Attachment D)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

15. EMERGENCY DAY SCHOOL CLOSING

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval to designate May 25, 2007, schools closed due to not having to utilize the one of two emergency days remaining. If the day is necessary from April 24, 2007 and May 25, 2007, then the day will return to a regular day as describe on the 2006 - 07 school calendar.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

16. TUITION GRANTS 2007-2008

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of the attached personnel for the following courses as being eligible for Tuition Grant reimbursement and applicable for advancement on the guide. (Attachment E)

Yeas: Mr. Anthony Delia, Miss Linda Duke, Mr. Lloyd Grossman, Dr. David Hollander, Mrs. Fran Sandler, Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes, Mrs. Patricia Venezia, Mrs. Judith Millman

Abstention: Mr. Irwin Sablosky

17. PRINCIPAL'S CONTRACT

Moved by Mrs. Shanes, seconded by Mr. Grossman, to authorize the Board President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary to sign an agreement between the Springfield Principals Association and Board of Education for the period of July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2009.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

18. 2nd PUBLIC SESSION (8:34-9:30 PM)

The following members of the public had questions or concerns regarding choice of music, middle states, teachers contract, and school dismissal time’s impact on athletics:

Mary Cunningham
Robin Gorman

Sherry Goslin
March Meierhold

19. NEW BUSINESS

1. Congratulations to newly elected board members
2. Thank you to Jackie Shanes for serving as Board President
3. E-Mails will have longer response time than in the past (from Board President)
4. Request for new committees to Judy by Wednesday, rotate PTA representatives
5. Representative needed to attend the Delegates Assembly for NJSBA
6. Direct all questions to Board President (on agenda Sunday by 8:00 PM)
7. Questions regarding the bill list (suitcase) can go directly to Mr. Clarke
8. Thank you to the staff and committee regarding recent Principal’s negotiations
9. The JDHS track team will begin using the new track at Meisel Field on April 23rd

20. ADJOURNMENT (9:43)

Moved by Mrs. Shanes, seconded by Miss Duke, to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 PM.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

Next Regular May 14, 2007 at 7:30 PM in the IMC at JDHS.

Matthew A. Clarke
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ORGANIZATION MEETING

The 2007 Organization 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 Monday, April 23, 2007 at 7:34 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 7:34 P.M. by Mr. Matthew A. Clarke, Board Secretary.

Mr. Clarke read the following 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.

2. OATH OF OFFICE

Mr. Clarke administered the oath of office to elected Board Members, Linda Duke, Irwin Sablosky and Patricia Venezia

3. ROLL CALL

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

Also

Present: Mr. Michael Davino, Superintendent
Mrs. Hillary Corburn, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Matthew A. Clarke, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Ellyn Atherton, Director, Human Resources

4. RESULTS OF ELECTION

Mr. Clarke announced the official election results as follows:

Member Board of Education

Three Year Term

Linda Duke 787

Irwin Sablosky 794

Patricia Venezia 794

Amount to be raised by taxation: General Fund \$28,595,884.00

Yes 960 70.07%

No 410 29.93%

Total Ballots Cast 1378 (14.89% of registered voters)

Total Registered Voters 9257

5. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, to nominate Judith Millman for the office of President of the Springfield Board of Education for 2007-2008.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

6. ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, to nominate Irwin Sablosky for the office of Vice President of the Springfield Board of Education for 2007-2008.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

7. RENEWAL OF BYLAWS AND POLICIES

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to adopt existing policy, bylaws, and administrative guidelines.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

8. ADOPTION OF CURRICULA AND TEXTBOOKS

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to adopt the 2006-2007 Curricula and Textbooks for the 2007-2008 school year as per attachments A and B.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

9. BANKING DEPOSITORIES

A. Bank Accounts

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to designate the following banks as depositories for school district funds, for the 2007 - 2008 school year:

Commerce Bank
Payroll Account
Payroll Agency Account
Regular Account
School Lunch Account
Internal School Accounts
Residential School Account
Athletic Account
School Activities Account
Capital Projects Account
State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

B. PETTY CASH

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Secretary of the Board be directed to establish petty cash funds for the 2007 - 2008 school year as follows, as required by stature:

Superintendent/Administration	\$500.00
Jonathan Dayton High School	300.00
Florence M. Gaudineer School	200.00
Edward V. Walton School	150.00
James Caldwell School	150.00
Thelma L. Sandmeier School	150.00
Buildings and Grounds	150.00
Special Services	100.00
Curriculum Office	100.00
JDHS Athletic Dept.	100.00

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

C. INVESTMENT OF FUNDS

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to authorize, pursuant to 17:12B-241, Mr. Matthew A. Clarke, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, to invest school funds, and order wire transfers if necessary to complete the transaction, in one or more accounts in any insured bank whose principal office is located in New Jersey in any amount up to, but not exceeding, the amounts for which such accounts are insured.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

D. BANK SIGNATURE CARDS

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to authorize changes in bank signature cards for the signatures of President, Board Secretary and the Treasurer of School Monies

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

10. PURCHASING AGENT

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, approval of the resolution to appoint Matthew A. Clarke, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, as the duly authorized purchasing agent for the Springfield Board of Education, pursuant to 18A:18A per attachment C.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

11. OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky to designate the Star Ledger and/or The Observer as official newspapers of the Board for 2007-2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

12. BOARD APPOINTMENTS

A. School Attorney

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to appoint the following firms and attorneys as counsel to the Springfield Board of Education, for the 2007-2008 school year (Attachment E):

1. Vito A. Gagliardi, Jr. Porzio, Bromberg & Newman
2. Joseph Madaloni, Jr. Porzio, Bromberg & Newman

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

B. Architect

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to appoint The Gibson Tarquini Group, 1812 Federal Street, Camden, NJ, as architect of record for the ongoing referendum construction projects to the Springfield Board of Education for the 2007-2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

C. Treasurer of School Monies

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to appoint Marie Sedlak as Treasurer of School Monies to the Springfield Board of Education for the 2007-2008 school year at a salary of \$4,682

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

D. Affirmative Action Officer

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to appoint Ellyn Atherton as Affirmative Action Officer of the Springfield School District for the 2007-2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

E. Custodian of Public Records

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to approve the appointment of Michael Davino, Superintendent, as the custodian of Public Records for the 2007-2008 school year in accordance with the Open Public Records Act.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

F. 504/ADA Compliance Officer

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to appoint Leslie Vaccarino as Public 504/ADA Compliance Officer of the Springfield School District for the 2007-2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

G. Morris-Union Jointure Commission Representative

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to appoint the Superintendent of Schools as the representative of the Springfield School District to serve on the Morris-Union Jointure Commission Board of Education.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

13. ANNUAL BOARD MEETINGS

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, that effective immediately, Board Meetings be scheduled as per attachment D.

Yeas: Miss Linda Duke, Mr. Lloyd Grossman, Mrs. Judith Millman, Mr. Irwin Sablosky, Mrs. Fran Sandler, Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes, Mrs. Patricia Venezia

Nays: Dr. David Hollander

Abstention: Mr. Anthony Delia

MOTION CARRIED

14. BOARD APPOINTMENTS

A. School Physicians

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of the appointment of the following as school physicians according to the 2007-2008 rates and fees schedule:

Dr. Stanley C. Parman
Care Station
90 U.S. Highway 22
Springfield, NJ 07081

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

B. Auditor

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, to appoint Cannone and Company, P.A. as auditor to the Springfield Board of Education for the 2007-2008 budget year for the fee of \$16,600.00

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

15. BOARD APPOINTMENTS

A. Union County Educational Services Commission Representative

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Delia, to appoint David Hollander as a representative of the Springfield School District to serve on the Union County Educational Services Representative Assembly.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

16. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Delia, to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

Matthew A. Clarke
Business Administrator/Board Secretary