

SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Springfield, New Jersey

REGULAR MEETING June 26, 2006

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, June 26, 2006 at 5:06 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 June 20, 2006.

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, Mr. Irwin Sablosky, Mrs. Fran Sandler, Mrs. Patricia Venezia, Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes

Arrived Late: Mr. Irwin Sablosky (5:15), Mrs. Patricia Venezia (5:11)

Also

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

2. CLOSED SESSION (5:08 PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, 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 (6:23 PM)

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. NEW JERSEY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION ROLE REVIEW

Mrs. Carole Larsen from the NJSBA reviewed school board member's roles.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. Note of appreciation to the district from Daryl Winland
- 2. Letter from referred to closed session

7. MINUTES

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

MOTION CARRIED

8. PUBLIC SESSION (7:39 PM)

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

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- a. Recognized the 2006 graduating class as the Million Dollar Class, due to the amount of scholarships received.
- b. Athletic Recognitions -
  - i. Boys Baseball Group 1 MVC Champs
  - ii. Boys Tennis Group 1 Sectional Champs
- c. Staff Recognition
  - i. Walter Rusak for a successful year at Caldwell School  
Walt had the opportunity to address the Board and thank the Board, Community, Students, Parents and Staff for a wonderful experience.
  - ii. Coach Joe Goerge has been invited to participate in NFL conference for HS Coaches nationwide at Hall of Fame Game in Canton, OH in August 2006. (Only two representatives from each State have received this honor.)

10. BILL'S LIST

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of computer checks numbered 014545 through 014694 and wire transfers 800015 and 800018 in the amount of \$3,223,324.55.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

11. HORIZON HEALTH CARE

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval to authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to sign a contract with Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield of New Jersey to provide medical, dental and prescription coverage per the Springfield Education Association Agreement, Article VII, Insurance Protection for the 2006-2007 school year, the broker of record for the medical and prescription program to be G.R. Murray. Dental coverage provided under this plan will be governed under the Grinspec Trust rates. The prescription plan is capped at \$184,154.\* for SEA members pursuant to Article VII C.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

12. FOOD SERVICE BID AWARD

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of a cafeteria management service to operate the lunch program at all district schools for the 2006-2007 school year and that such service be provided by ARAMARK School Support Services in accordance with their RFP submission on June 21, 2006, at an administrative fee of \$46,391.07 with a projected profit of \$14,633.60. In addition, ARAMARK School Support Services, proposes to operate the Springfield food service program on a guaranteed break-even basis.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

13. COST OF LUNCH 2006-2007

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of the price of \$2.00 for elementary students, \$2.15 for middle school students, \$0.40 for reduced price lunch, and an a la carte menu style for high school students for the 2006-2007 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

14. SPECIAL SALARIES AND COMPENSATION RATES 2006-2007

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approve the Special Salaries, Fees, and Compensation Rates for the 2006-2007 school year. (Attachment B)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

15. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval the Board Secretary's Report dated April 30, 2006, and that it be received and placed on file.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

16. TREASURER'S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of the Treasurer's Report dated April 30, 2006 and that it be received and placed on file.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

17. 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 A)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

18. 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 April 30, 2006 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

19. TAX DEFERRED ANNUITIES 2006-2007

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval for the Board of Education of the Township of Springfield to authorize the Secretary of the Board to make payroll deductions for those employees who have indicated their desire by completing an appropriate salary reduction agreement with AIG/Valic, Citistreet (formerly The Copeland Companies), Equitable Life Assurance Co., Inc., The

Goldman Group (Cadaret, Grant & Co., Inc.), MetLife Investors, and Nationwide (formerly the Dean Witter Reynolds Inc.), for the purchase of tax deferred annuities to be purchased at no cost to the Board, and at no cost to the community, and to transmit such funds to the proper agency for the 2006-2007 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

20. ADDITIONAL EXTRA-ORDINARY AID 2005-2006

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, to accept and appropriate additional state aid for "Extra-Ordinary Aid" in the amount of \$144,734 in the 2005-06 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

21. REVISED TUITION GRANTS

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move approval of the attached personnel for the following revised courses as being eligible for Tuition Grant reimbursement and applicable for advancement on the guide. (Attachment C)

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

Absention: Mr. Irwin Sablosky

MOTION CARRIED

22. 2006-2007 OUT OF DISTRICT SUMMER SCHOOL

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, move that the Board of Education approve the following special education students for out-of-district 2006 summer school placement:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Tuition And Dates</u>
1416	Summit Speech School Summit, NJ	\$7,200.00 7/5 – 8/15

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

Abstention: Mr. Irwin Sablosky

MOTION CARRIED

23. Donation/Walton Playground

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval to accept the following donation to be utilized in the Springfield School District for the purpose of:

<u>Company/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Worth (less than \$500/more than \$500)</u>
1. Walton PTA	Walton Playground	More than \$500 (Donation towards playground \$40,000)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

24. PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

1. Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Delia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move approval of the appointment of personnel on the attachment with the exception of Mr. David Rennie. (Attachment A)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

1a. Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Millman, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move approval of the appointment of Mr. David Rennie as principal of the James Caldwell Elementary School for 2006-2007.

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

Abstention: Mr. Anthony Delia

Nay: Dr. David Hollander

MOTION CARRIED

25. Walton Playground Equipment (State Contract)

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Grossman, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move to approve the purchase of playground equipment from BCI Burke Company, Fond du Lac, WI, in accordance with NJ State Contract #A59065 in the amount of \$55,266.75.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

26. Walton Playground Equipment (State Contract)

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Grossman, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move to approve the purchase of playground equipment from Ben Shaffer & Associates, Inc., Lake Hopatcong, NJ, in accordance with NJ State Contract #A59054 in the amount of \$13,577.00.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

27. 54 Passenger School Vehicle Bid

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Delia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval to authorize the Business Administrator to award a contract for the purchase of a 54 passenger school vehicle to H.A. DeHart & Son, 311 Crown Point Road, Thorofare, NJ in the amount of \$67,245. (Attachment E)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

28. PUBLIC SESSION (8:21PM-8:22 PM)

Kristen Schatner announced the acceptance of an additional \$10,000 from the Racioppi family for the Walton Playground Fund.

29. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Graduation Ceremonies at Dayton and Gaudineer were outstanding, and gave the community a feeling of pride for the students outstanding accomplishments this year.
- 2. The moving up program at Walton for the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class was received with great appreciation by all in attendance.

30. CLOSED SESSION (8:24 PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, 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:

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Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

31. CLOSED CONFERENCE ITEMS

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

Mr. Sablosky left the meeting at 9:15 PM

32. RECONVENE (9:23 PM)

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

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

33. NEW BUSINESS 2<sup>ND</sup> SESSION

- 1. The Board discussed class size of the incoming 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Caldwell.
- 2. The Board and Mr. Davino discussed student placements at the elementary levels.
- 3. Upcoming committee meetings:
  - July 13<sup>th</sup> negotiations
  - July 17<sup>th</sup> negotiations
  - August 10<sup>th</sup> negotiations

34. ADJOURNMENT (9:47 PM)

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Miss Duke, to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 PM.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

**MOTION CARRIED**

Next Regular Meeting – July 17, 2006 at 8:00 PM in the IMC at JDHS.

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Matthew A. Clarke  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary