



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

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Spring Lake Park Schools School Board
Spring Lake Park, MN
September 12, 2023

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Easter called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Board members present were Amy Hennen, John Stroebel, Melody Skelly, Marilynn Forsberg, Sarah Bowe, Tony Easter, and Sam Villela, along with Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg and student representatives Evan Jefferson, Harper Mack and Onyinye Udemezue.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

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

C. SOME FUTURE EVENTS (Please check the District Calendar and Resource Guide or the District website at www.springlakeparkschools.org for a complete list of monthly events)

- Tuesday, September 26, 2023 - School Board Work Session, 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 10, 2023 - School Board Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m. with Communication to the Board and Administration at 6:45 p.m.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Minutes of the:
 - August 15, 2023 Regular School Board Meeting
 - August 29, 2023 School Board Work Session
2. Bills Paid for July 2023

BILLS PAID July 2023	
Fund	Total Payments
General	\$ 4,033,277
Food Service	57,547
Community Education	104,654
Debt Service	1,672,025

Internal Service Funds	59,964
OPEB Debt Services	9,128
OPEB Trust Account	-
TOTAL	\$ 5,936,595

3. Personnel Items – including employments, terminations/resignations/non-renewal of contract, leaves of absence, and lane change for teachers.

EMPLOYMENTS

Name	Location	Position	Start Date	New, Growth or Replace
Melanie Abreu	SLPHS	Office Assistant	8/21/2023	Replace
Bukola Adedeji	PT	Academic Specialist	8/28/2023	Replace
Lina Angarita Afanador	WCSI	Grade 1 Teacher	9/7/2023	Replace
Aila Baker	CV	SPED EBD Paraprofessional	9/5/2023	Replace
Yuraima Barreto	WCSI	Educator Apprentice	8/28/2023	Replace
Nicole Boehmer	NP	Long-term substitute-Grade 3 & 4 Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace
Kari Bumgardner	SLPHS	SPED ASD Paraprofessional	9/5/2023	Replace
Michael Cushing	CV	Behavior Specialist Paraprofessional	9/5/2023	Replace
Joanna Dahl	CV	Grade 2 Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace
Heather Davis	WW	SPED ASD Paraprofessional	9/5/2023	Replace
Eli de Vries	WW	Art Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace
Jessica DeGennaro	SLPHS	Mathematics Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace
Jessica Ehrnst	CV	Educator Apprentice	8/28/2023	New
Veronica Erickson	NP	SPED ASD Paraprofessional	9/5/2023	Replace
Stephanie Gainor	PT	Academic Specialist – SPED	8/28/2023	Replace
Raquel Garcia Sosa	WCSI	Educator Apprentice	9/5/2023	New
Brenna Hunt	WW	.5 FTE Music Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace
Dylan Johnson	CV	Grade 4 Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace
Hailey Lachinski	SLPHS	Physical Education/Health Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace
Corey Larson	WW	Paraeducator	9/5/2023	New
Kristina Larson	EC	SPED Paraprofessional Dev. Delay	9/5/2023	Replace
Angela Lawrence	WW	Counselor for Personalized Learning	8/28/2023	New
James Lewis	SLPHS	Science Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace
Laura Martin Zamarro	WCSI	Grade 2 Teacher	9/6/2023	Replace
Kristin McQuery	NP	Paraeducator	9/5/2023	New
Marzena Mohler	EC	Long-Term Substitute ECSE Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace

Jasmine Moore	PT	Academic Specialist – SPED	8/28/2023	Replace
Trisha Nguyen	WW	Counselor for Personalized Learning	8/28/2023	Replace
Jessica Olson	NP	Resident Teacher – Science Specialist	8/28/2023	New
Michael Packingham	WW	STEM Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace
Lucas Pask	SLPHS	Custodian	8/21/2023	Replace
Lexi Schneider	PT	Educator Apprentice	8/28/2023	New
Paige Stearns	NP	Grade 3 / 4 Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace
Angel Swartz	WW	SPED – DCD Teacher	8/28/2023	Replace
Pa la Xiong	WCSI	Behavior Specialist Paraprofessional	9/5/2023	Replace

TERMINATIONS/RESIGNATIONS/SEPARATIONS FROM EMPLOYMENT

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Bukola Adedeji	PT	Educator Apprentice	Resignation as of August 25, 2023
Kawthar Al-Ali	PT	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of August 14, 2023
Emily Anderson	PT	Community Services	Resignation as of August 24, 2023
George Dunlap	SLPHS	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of August 22, 2023
Angela Fredrickson	PT	Nutrition Services	Resignation as of August 31, 2023
Cali Fuerstenberg	NP	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of August 28, 2023
Evelyn Hernandez	WW	Teachers	Resignation as of August 25, 2023
Fannita Jones	PT	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of August 31, 2023
Maggie Lee	NP	Teachers	Resignation as of August 18, 2023
Greta Mack	WW	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of September 15, 2023
Asmaa Mahmoud	PT	Child Care Professionals	Resignation as of August 23, 2023
Joanna Pataconi	WW	Teachers	Resignation as of August 25, 2023
Melanie Steinborn	WW	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of August 8, 2023
Angel Swartz	WW	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of August 25, 2023
Lola Sykes	NP	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of August 10, 2023
Broukk Woelffer	NP	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of August 24, 2023

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
N/A			

Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes (7-0).

E. DISCUSSION, REPORTS, INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **2023-24 District Operational Plan Overview** – Dr. Jeff Ronneberg, Superintendent, Dr. Hope Rahn, Executive Director of Learning and Innovation, Erika Taibl, Executive Director of Marketing and Communications, and Kaline Sandven-Marinello, Director of Student Services and Special Education, reviewed the 2023-2024 school year District Operational Plan highlighting a summary of spring 2023 student achievement results, as well as improvement projects to reach the goals and desired results for the 2023-24 school year. Three projects within the DOP were reviewed: Continue to strengthen student support and intervention, deepen family communications and connections, and deepen innovative and personalized learning. Dr. Rahn shared that the DOP meets the Minnesota Department of Education’s World’s Best Workforce plan requirements.
2. **Superintendent’s Report** – Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg highlighted in his report different activities taking place throughout the district. He also reported on upcoming events that will be taking place like Start your Engines, Live on 65, school plays, to mention a few.

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. A Resolution Stating the Intention of the School Board to Issue General Obligation School Building Refunding Bonds, Series 2023a, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Approximately \$16,945,000; and Taking Other Actions with Respect Thereto

Motion by Hennen, seconded by Villela to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board (the “Board”) of Independent School District No. 16 (Spring Lake Park Public Schools), Anoka County, Minnesota (the “District”), as follows:

1. Background. It is hereby determined that:
 - (a) On May 3, 2006, the District issued its General Obligation School Building Bonds, Series 2006A (the “Series 2006A Bonds”), in the original aggregate principal amount of \$45,000,000 pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, as amended (the “Act”) and a special election held February 28, 2006, to finance the acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities, including the construction and equipping of a new elementary school facility; the acquisition of land for school sites; and the reconstruction, renovation, repair, remodeling, upgrading, equipping and construction of improvements to other District facilities.
 - (b) The District is authorized by Section 475.67 of the Act (“Section 475.67”) to issue and sell its general obligation bonds to refund outstanding bonds when determined by the Board to be necessary and desirable for the reduction of debt service costs of the District.
 - (c) On October 28, 2014, the District issued its General Obligation School Building Refunding Bonds, Series 2014A (the “Series 2014A Bonds”), to refund in advance of their stated maturities, through a crossover refunding, all of the bonds maturing in the years 2017 to 2029, aggregating \$39,555,000 in principal amount, of the Series 2006A Bonds, pursuant to the Act, including Section 475.67. The Series 2014A Bonds are currently outstanding in the principal amount of \$19,695,000 of which \$16,750,000 is currently subject to redemption on February 1, 2024.

(d) The Board hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and desirable for the reduction of debt service costs to the District that the District issue its General Obligation School Building Refunding Bonds, Series 2023A in the aggregate maximum principal amount of approximately \$16,945,000 (the “Bonds”), pursuant to the Act, including Section 475.67, to optionally redeem and prepay the Series 2014A Bonds.

2. Covenant as to State Credit Enhancement.

(a) The District hereby covenants and obligates itself to notify the Commissioner of Education (the “Commissioner”) of a potential default in the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds and to use the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55 (the “Credit Enhancement Act”) to guarantee payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds when due. The District further covenants to deposit with the paying agent for the Bonds (the “Paying Agent”), or any successor paying agent, three (3) days prior to the date on which a payment is due an amount sufficient to make that payment or to notify the Commissioner that it will be unable to make all or a portion of that payment. The Paying Agent is authorized and directed to notify the Commissioner if it becomes aware of a potential default in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds or if, on the day two (2) business days prior to the date a payment is due on the Bonds, there are insufficient funds on deposit with the Paying Agent to make that payment. The District understands that as a result of its covenant to be bound by the provisions of the Credit Enhancement Act, the provisions of that section shall be binding as long as any Bonds of this issue remain outstanding.

(b) The District further covenants to comply with all procedures now and hereafter established by the Minnesota Departments of Management and Budget and Education pursuant to subdivision 2(c) of the Credit Enhancement Act and otherwise to take such actions as necessary to comply with that section. The Board Chair, Clerk, Treasurer, Superintendent, or Executive Director of Business Services of the District are authorized to execute any applicable Minnesota Department of Education forms.

3. Sale of Bonds. The Board has retained Ehlers and Associates, Inc. (the “Municipal Advisor”), to serve as the District’s independent municipal advisor with respect to the offer and sale of the Bonds and, therefore, is authorized by Section 475.60, subdivision 2(9), of the Act to sell the Bonds other than pursuant to a competitive sale.

4. Authority of Municipal Advisor. The Municipal Advisor is authorized and directed to assist the District in the preparation and dissemination of a Preliminary Official Statement to be distributed to potential purchasers of the Bonds and to open, read, and tabulate the proposals for the purchase of the Bonds for presentation to the Board. The Municipal Advisor is further authorized and directed to assist the District in the award and sale of the Bonds on behalf of the District after receipt of written proposals and to assist the District in the preparation and dissemination of a final Official Statement with respect to the Bonds.

5. Acceptance of Proposal. The Board shall meet at the time specified in the Preliminary Official Statement or at such other time designated by the Board to receive and consider proposals for the purchase of the Bonds and take any other appropriate action with respect to the Bonds.

6. Authority of Bond Counsel. The law firm of Kennedy & Graven, Chartered, is authorized to act as bond counsel for the District (“Bond Counsel”), and to assist in the preparation and review of necessary documents, certificates, and instruments related to the Bonds. The officers,

employees, and agents of the District are hereby authorized to assist Bond Counsel in the preparation of such documents, certificates, and instruments.

Roll Call: Ayes: Easter, Villela, Hennen, Forsberg, Bowe, Stroebel, and Skelly. Nays: none

Resolution was adopted (7-0).

2. Adopt Proposed Policy Modifications

Motion by Forsberg seconded by Stroebel to approve the adoption of the following policies with proposed modifications. (School Board Policy 208 states: If a policy is modified with minor changes that do not affect the substance of the policy or because of legal change over which the school board has no control, the modified policy may be approved at one meeting at the discretion of the school board.)

102 – Equal Educational Opportunity

406 – Public and Private Personnel Data

419 – Tobacco Free Environment; Possession and Use of Tobacco, Tobacco related devices, and Electronic Delivery Devices; Vaping Awareness and Prevention Instruction

424 – License Status

509 – Enrollment of Nonresident Students

513 – Student Promotion, Retention, and Program Design

Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes (7-0).

3. Acknowledgment of Gifts

Motion by Villela, seconded by Forsberg 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: Ayes: Easter, Villela, Hennen, Forsberg, Bowe, Stroebel, Skelly. Nays: none

Resolution was adopted (7-0).

G. BOARD FORUM AND REPORTS (IF ANY)

Student representatives Jefferson, Mack and Udemzue shared updates on recent activities and athletics taking place at the high school. Member Forsberg shared that she attended a 916 meeting. Members Villela and Hennen attended the Woodcrest and Northpoint PTO meetings.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Hennen, seconded by Forsberg, to adjourn the meeting at 8:23pm. *Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes (7-0).*

Date

Marilynn Forsberg, Clerk
Spring Lake Park Schools
Independent School District 16