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
November 14, 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, Melody Skelly, Marilynn Forsberg, Sarah Bowe, and Tony Easter, along with Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg and student representatives Evan Jefferson, and Harper Mack. Member John Stroebel was absent.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Forsberg seconded by Bowe, 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 Calendar and Resource Guide or the District website at www.springlakeparkschools.org for a complete list of monthly events)

- Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24, 2023 no school for students and staff. District Services Center (DSC) closed.
- Thursday, November 30, 2023, School Board Retreat, 11:30am, location TBD.
- Tuesday, December 12, 2023 - School Board Regular Meeting, 7:00 p.m. with Communication to the Board and Administration at 6:45 p.m. Includes Truth in Taxation hearing.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Hennen, seconded by Villella, to approve the following items of the consent agenda:

1. Minutes of the:
   October 10, 2023, Regular School Board Meeting
   October 24, 2023, School Board Work Session

2. Bills Paid for September 2023

BILLS PAID Sept-23	
Fund	**Total Payments**
General	$ 3,306,190
Food Service	430,018
Community Education	185,039
Debt Service	-

Internal Service Funds		56,885
OPEB Debt Services		-
OPEB Trust Account		-
TOTAL	**$**	**3,978,132**

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 Replace
Yendy Baloy Galvez	WCSI	Educator Apprentice	10/30/2023	New
Erin Braaten	NP	Health Care Specialist – COTA	10/23/2023	New
Tricia Carlsen	CV	Educator Apprentice	11/7/2023	New
Cleo Davis	WW	SPED DCD Paraprofessional	11/1/2023	Replace
Susan Fish	CV	ECSE Paraprofessional	10/23/2023	Replace
Kyle Fleury	NP	Educator Apprentice	10/23/2023	New
Diana Fuquene Nino	WCSI	Elementary Teacher	11/15/2023	Replace
Hannah Jacobson	PT	Academic Specialist – SPED	10/23/2023	New
Braxton Strupp	CV	Behavior Specialist Paraprofessional	10/24/2023	Replace
Alyssa Teachman	SLPHS	Behavior Specialist Paraprofessional	10/23/2023	Replace
Dorothy Williams	SLPHS	Student Advocate	10/23/2023	Replace

TERMINATIONS/RESIGNATIONS/SEPARATIONS FROM EMPLOYMENT

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Savanah Block	CV	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of October 24, 2023
Veronica Nihart-Arango	WCSI	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of November 10, 2023

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Elizabeth Cain	WW	Paraprofessionals	November 6, 2023 to January 15, 2024
Audrey Hendrickson	NP	Teachers	December 7, 2023 to January 18, 2024
Nadiya Khan	CV	Paraprofessionals	November 24, 2023 to February 19, 2024
John Oys	WCSI	Custodians	September 12, 2023 to December 21, 2023
Patti Schlechter	WW	Nutrition Services	October 11, 2023 to January 30, 2024
Celeste Stimack	CV	Teachers	January 5, 2024 to August 23, 2024
Morgan Voss	DW	Teachers	December 18, 2023 to March 15, 2024

Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes (6-0).

E. DISCUSSION, REPORTS, INFORMATION ITEMS

1. **Athletics/Activities Update – Fall 2023** – Mr. Will Wackman, Activities and Athletics Director, presented an update of the Fall 2023 season for Activities and Athletics. Mr. Wackman reviewed the athletics/activities offered, highlighting student participation and outcomes. He highlighted the many successes of the variety of athletics, co-curriculars, student clubs, and fine arts events that students

participated in this fall. Board member comments and questions took place and focused on the great work being done by Mr. Wackman with the students at Spring Lake Park Schools.

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 the middle school musical "Funkyland: The musical", and Live on 65.

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of the Resolution Canvassing Returns of Votes of Spring Lake Park Independent School District No. 16 General and Special Election Held November 7, 2023

Motion by Skelly seconded by Villella to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Spring Lake Park Independent School District No. 16, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the General Election of the voters of this school district held on November 7, 2023, was in all respects duly and legally held.

2. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 1,572 voters of the district voted at said General Election on the election of three (3) school board members for three (3) four (4) year terms caused by expiration of term on the first Monday in January following the general election. Votes cast for the office are as follows:

Candidate	**Votes**	**Elected**
Tony Easter	857	X
Amy Hennen	845	X
Allie Schmidt	1,057	X
Write-In	56	

3. Tony Easter, Amy Hennen and Allie Schmidt, having received the highest number of votes, are elected to four (4) year terms beginning on the first Monday in January, 2024.

4. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 1,572 voters of the district voted at said Special Election on the election of one (1) school board members for one (1) term to fill the unexpired term caused by a school board member resignation. Votes cast for the office are as follows:

Candidate	**Votes**	**Elected**
Kelly McClellan	851	X
Ryan McLaughlin	680	
Write-In	8	

5. Kelly McClellan, having received the highest number of votes, is elected to fill the unexpired term beginning immediately after receiving the certificate of election and taking the oath of office.

6. The clerk is hereby directed to certify results of the General and Special Election to the county auditors of each county in which the school district is located in whole or in part.

7. After the time for contesting the election has passed and the candidate has filed all campaign financial reports required by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 211A, the clerk is hereby directed to deliver a certificate of election to each person entitled thereto. The clerk is also hereby directed to enclose with the certificate a form of acceptance of office and oath of office.

Roll Call: *Ayes:* Easter, Hennen, Forsberg, Bowe, Villella, Skelly. Nays: *none*
Resolution was adopted (6-0).

2. Adopt Proposed Policy Modifications

Motion by Hennen seconded by Forsberg 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 a 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.)*

413 – Harassment and Violence
418 – Drug Free Workplace/Drug Free School
515 – Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records
533 – Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Teams to Remove Students with IEPs from School Grounds
602 – Organization of School Calendar and School Day
616 – School District System Accountability

Motion carried unanimously with all board members present voting yes (6-0)

3. Acknowledgment of Gifts

Motion by Skelly seconded by Villella 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, Hennen, Forsberg, Bowe, Villella, Skelly. Nays: *none*
Resolution was adopted (6-0).

G. BOARD FORUM AND REPORTS (IF ANY)

Student representatives Jefferson, and Mack shared updates on recent activities and athletics taking place at the high school. Member Forsberg shared that she attended a 916 meeting, the Park Terrace PTO meeting and an AMSD event. Member Easter attended the Westwood PTO meeting.

H. CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Villella, seconded by Bowe to enter into Closed Session to discuss employee negotiations at 7:44pm. *Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes.* (6-0).

Motion by Hennen, seconded by Forsberg to reconvene the meeting at 8:56pm. *Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes.* (6-0).

I. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Skelly, seconded by Bowe, to adjourn the meeting at 8:56pm. *Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes (6-0).*

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