**Springfield Township Board of Education**
**Jobstown, NJ 08041**
**Wednesday, April 12, 2017**
**Agenda – Work Session - 102**

| CALL TO ORDER | TIME: | 7:04 P.M. |
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A **Work Session** of the Springfield Township Board of Education will be held on **Wednesday, April 12, 2017** at **7:00 p.m.** in the Springfield Elementary School **Media Center**.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

"The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right to the public to have advance notice of and attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon." Pursuant to the provisions of this act, the Springfield Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be publicized by having the date, time and place thereof sent to: The Burlington County Times, Springfield Township Clerk, Board of Education members, and posted in the Springfield Township Board of Education Office and Springfield Township Municipal Building.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Comptroller led the Board and the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

| | Board of Education Member | Present | Late | Absent | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Joseph Bucs | | | X | 1 |
| 2 | Andrew Eaton | X | | | 2 |
| 3 | Wade Hale | | | X | 3 |
| 4 | Kristen Lippincott | X | | | 4 |
| 5 | Gregory Madia | X | | | 5 |
| 6 | Michael Ramalho | | | X | 6 |
| 7 | James Specca | | | X | 7 |
| 8 | Gary G. Walker | X | | | 8 |
| 9 | Jennifer Webb | X | | | 9 |

**Others present:**

[X] Craig Vaughn, Chief School Administrator
[X] Bruce Benedetti, Interim Business Administrator/Board Secretary
[X] Casey DeJoseph, Business Office Comptroller
[ ] Shawn Dennis, Educational Facilities Manager
[ ] Asia Michael, Director of Curriculum

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## MOTION TO ELECT A PRESIDENT PRO TEMP

The most recent previous President, Greg Madia, was chosen as the President Pro Temp.

********** *CERTIFICATION OF THE BOARD SECRETARY* **********

**IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED** that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Springfield Township Board of Education, by the vote below indicated, at the **Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, April 25, 2017** in the **Media Center** at the Springfield School, 2146 Jacksonville-Jobstown Road, Jobstown, New Jersey.

| | Board of Education Member | Mtn | Snd | Yea | Nay | Abn | Abs | Nvt* | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Andrew Eaton | | | X | | | | | 1 |
| 2 | Wade Hale, Vice President | | | | | | X | | 2 |
| 3 | Kristen Lippincott | X | | X | | | | | 3 |
| 4 | Gregory Madia | | | X | | | | | 4 |
| 5 | Michael Ramalho | | | | | | X | | 5 |
| 6 | James Specca | | | | | | X | | 6 |
| 7 | Gary Walker | | | X | | | | | 7 |
| 8 | Jennifer Webb | | X | X | | | | | 8 |
| 9 | Joseph Bucs, President | | | | | | X | | 9 |

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## PUBLIC COMMENT #1 – SHALL NOT EXCEED THIRTY (30) MINUTES

*Before a matter is placed on the agenda, Administration has thoroughly reviewed it. Board Members preview the agenda items five days prior to the meeting and discuss questionable items with the Superintendent.*

*The Springfield Township BOE welcomes public comment during our public meetings. Public comment is not a question and answer session. Notwithstanding, members of the Administration and/or Board members may, with approval, choose to answer questions raised during public comment periods. If a response is requested, please provide your contact information on the sign-in sheet or contact the Administration separately.*

*Statements are limited to two, three minute time periods for a total of six minutes on any one topic. Public Comment #1 is reserved for agenda specific comments or statements and shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes. Public Comment #2 is for general comments or statements.*

*Resident Lisa Giovanelli raised questions about the proposed tax rate increase. She expressed her concern about the budget moving forward once Debt Service funds are no longer available.*

## PREPARATION OF TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2017 AGENDA

*The Superintendent of Schools and the Interim Business Administrator reviewed each item on the **April 25, 2017** Regular Public Meeting with the Board.*

## OLD BUSINESS MATTERS

*There was further discussion regarding tuition costs for non-resident students, as well as suggested class size limits. It was decided that these topics both require more attention and it was suggested that a special public meeting be held as well as a committee be formed to make a determination on these policies.*

*It was asked if and when there would be a Spelling Bee this year, and if so, when and which grades would participate.*

## NEW BUSINESS MATTERS

## PUBLIC COMMENT #2 – SHALL NOT EXCEED THIRTY (30) MINUTES

*Resident Lisa Giovanelli expressed that many residents would be upset about moving to larger class sizes. She mentioned that Mansfield created a tuition-based after-school program and took the service back from YMCA which created a large savings for them, as well as generated revenue. They charged approximately $225 per student, per month.*

| RESOLUTION TO HOLD CLOSED SESSION | TIME: | 8:15 PM |
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TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION

# RESOLUTION #16/17-WS-102-230-308

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION TO MEET IN CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT PUBLIC LAW 1975, c.231**

***WHEREAS***, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq provides that a public body may hold a closed session under certain statutory exceptions to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act with a general description of the exceptions being as follows:

1. items forbidden by specific legal action
2. right to receive federal funds
3. invasion of individual privacy
4. collective bargaining negotiations
5. purchase/lease/acquisition of real property
6. items where immediate disclosure would impair public safety
7. investigation of violations of law
8. attorney-client privilege
9. terms and conditions of employment/personnel matters
10. penalty or loss of license to an individual

***WHEREAS***, the President of the Board of Education has determined that such a circumstance exists which warrants a closed executive session under **items #4 & #9** as above indicated and that the conducting of a closed executive session was duly authorized by the adoption of this Resolution. The subject to be discussed is as follows:

***Collective Bargaining Agreement – SEHBP***
***Personnel Matters – Qualitative Goals – Superintendent of Schools***

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED*** by the Township of Springfield Board of Education, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq, that it meet in executive session closed to the public for the discussion of a matter which falls under a statutory exception to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act and that said closed session will be held on **Wednesday, April 12, 2017**; and

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*** the closed executive session discussions will pertain to the above mentioned items and that the minutes of the closed executive session will be disclosed after the Board of Education takes formal action or after the reason for the discussions in closed session no longer exists.

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President Pro Temp

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Bruce M. Benedetti
Interim Business Administrator

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| **MOTION TO ADJOURN** | **TIME:** | **8:39 P.M.** |
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SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Bruce M. Benedetti
Secretary to the Board

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