

Spring Township Board of Education
 Jobstown, NJ 08041
 Wednesday, July 10, 2019
 Minutes – Session 191

CALL TO ORDER	TIME:	7:03 P.M.
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A **Work Session** of the Springfield Township Board of Education was held on **Wednesday, July 10, 2019** at **7:03 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

Mrs. Lippincott, Board President, led the Board 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, Vice President	X			2
3	Jason Angelo	X			3
4	Gregory Madia			X	4
5	Michael Ramalho	X			5
6	Gary Walker	X			6
7	Wade Hale	X			7
8	Ashleigh Murtaugh-Frey	X			8
9	Kristen Lippincott, President	X			9

Others present:

- [X] Craig Vaughn, Chief School Administrator
- [X] David Gorski, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
- [] Joe Knewasser, Interim Facilities Manager
- [] Kim Hannigan, Interim Supervisor of Curriculum

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

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34 None
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PUBLIC COMMENT #1 – SHALL NOT EXCEED THIRTY (30) MINUTES

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

40 *The Springfield Township BOE welcomes public comment during our public meetings. Public comments*
41 *will only be permitted during the public comment periods at the beginning and end of each Board*
42 *meeting. Each public comment period shall be limited to thirty minutes unless extended by a majority vote*
43 *of the Board members present. Statements are limited to two, three minute time periods for a total of six*
44 *minutes on any one topic.*

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

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50 1. Jacob Drum, Springfield resident, is in the Boy Scouts and working toward a merit badge. In
51 doing so he commented that he was here to learn more about how community organizations and
52 boards operate.
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PREPARATION OF TUESDAY, July 16, 2019 AGENDA

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55 Mr. Vaughn and Mr. Gorski reviewed their respective sections of the agenda for the July 16, 2019 regular
56 meeting and answered any board questions that were raised.
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BOARD FORUM

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS MATERS

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62 Mr. Bucs brought up prior discussion of a board retreat in which the board could meet to discuss goals,
63 complete a board self-evaluation of strengths, weaknesses, etc. The last board retreat occurred in 2014.
64 Mrs. Lippincott stated she would reach out to Jesse Adams, Field Services Representative of the New
65 Jersey School Boards Association, for directive on setting up a board retreat.
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NEW BUSINESS MATTERS

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

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73 TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
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75 **RESOLUTION #19/20-RM-191-101**
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77 **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF**
78 **EDUCATION TO MEET IN CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION**
79 **PURSUANT TO THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS**
80 **ACT PUBLIC LAW 1975, c.231**
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82 **WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq provides that a public body may hold a closed session under certain
83 statutory exceptions to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act with a general description of exceptions
84 being as follows:
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- 86 1. Items forbidden by specific legal action
87 2. Right to receive federal funds
88 3. Invasion of individual privacy
89 4. Collective bargaining negotiations
90 5. Purchase/lease/acquisition of real property
91 6. Items where immediate disclosure would impair public safety
92 7. Investigation of violations of law
93 8. Attorney-Client privilege
94 9. Terms and conditions of employment/personnel matters
95 10. Penalty or loss of license to an individual
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97 **WHEREAS**, THE President of the Board of education has determined that such a circumstance exists
98 which warrants a closed executive session under item #9 as above indicated and that the conducting of a
99 closed executive session was duly authorized by the adoption of this Resolution. The subject to be
100 discussed is as follows:
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102 **9. Terms and conditions of employment/personnel matters**
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104 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Springfield Board of education, County of
105 Burlington, State of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq, that it meet in executive session
106 closed to the public for the discussion of a matter which falls under a statutory exception to the New
107 Jersey Open Public Meetings Act and that said closed session will be held on Wednesday, July 10, 2019;
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110 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the closed executive session discussions will pertain to the above
111 mentioned items and that the minutes of the closed executive session will be disclosed after the Board of
112 Education takes formal action or after the reason for the discussions in closed session no longer exists.
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MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESION	TIME:	7:46 P.M.
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116 Mr. Ramalho made the motion to enter executive session. Mr. Eaton seconded. Upon voice vote, all
117 members present voted in the affirmative.
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MOTION TO RETURN TO PUBLIC SESION	TIME:	11:12 P.M.
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120 Mr. Eaton made the motion to return to public session. Mr. Ramalho seconded. Upon voice vote, all
121 members present voted in the affirmative.
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MOTION TO ADJOURN	TIME:	11:12 P.M.
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Mr. Eaton made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Ramalho seconded. Upon voice vote, all members present voted in the affirmative.

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

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SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF EDUCATION



David Gorski
Secretary to the Board

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