

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
Wednesday, July 1, 2020
2020-2021 – 183

WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

TIME: 7:00 PM

LOCATION: Remote

CALL TO ORDER

President Eaton called the Meeting to order at 7:02PM.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

President Eaton read the Open Public Meeting Act statement.

"The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure 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



President Eaton lead the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

A **Work Session Meeting** of the Springfield Board of Education (Burlington County) was held on **Wednesday, July 1, 2020** in a **remote meeting** beginning at **7:02 PM**.

	Board of Education Member	Present	Late	Absent	
1	Mr. Bucs, Board Vice President	X		X	1
2	Mr. Hale, Board Member		7:02		2
3	Mrs. Lippincott, Board Member	X			3
4	Mrs. Murtaugh-Frey, Board Member	X			4
5	Mr. Pantano, Board Member	X			5
6	Mr. Ramalho, Board Member		7:11		6
7	Mr. Roberson, Board Member	X			7
8	Mr. Walker, Board Member			X	8
9	Mr. Eaton, Board Member	X			9

	Staff In Attendance	Present	Late	Absent	
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1	Mr. Vaughn, Superintendent	X			1
2	Mr. Benedetti, Interim SBO	X			2
3	Mrs. Hannigan, Interim Curr Dir			X	3
4	Mr. Knewasser, Ed Fac Manager			X	4

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

None

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

Before a matter is placed on the agenda, the 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 comments will only be permitted during the public comment periods at the beginning and end of each Board meeting. Each public comment period shall be limited to thirty minutes unless extended by a majority vote of the Board members present. Statements are limited to two, three minute time periods for a total of six minutes on any one topic. 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.

After reading the public comment #1 statement, President Eaton opened the public statement #1 forum. Seeing no one to participate the session was closed by President Eaton.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

The Superintendent briefly mentioned the need for the development and adoption of Board goals.

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

President Eaton opened Public Comment #2. There were two questions regarding the opening of schools in the area of transportation and face coverings.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION #20/21-WS-183-101

Exemption #9 terms and conditions of employment/personnel matters: Superintendent's Evaluation

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION #20/21-WS-183-101

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 item #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:

**4. collective bargaining negotiations
FACT-FINDER'S RECOMMENDATION ON SALARY GUIDES
9. terms and conditions of employment/personnel matters
SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION**

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, July 1, 2020**; 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.

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 **Work Session Meeting held remotely on Wednesday, July 1, 2020.**

	Board of Education Member	Mtn	Snd	Yea	Nay	Abn	Abs	Nvt*	
1	Mr. Bucs, Board Vice President						X		1
2	Mr. Hale, Board Member	X		X					2
3	Mrs. Lippincott, Board Member			X					3
4	Mrs. Murtaugh-Frey, Board Member			X					4
5	Mr. Pantano, Board Member		X	X					5
6	Mr. Ramalho, Board Member			X					6
7	Mr. Roberson, Board Member			X					7
8	Mr. Walker, Board Member						X		8
9	Mr. Eaton, Board Member			X					9

Legend: Mtn = Motion; Snd = Second; Aye = Aye; Nay = Nay; Abn = Abstain; Abs = Absent; Nvt = Not Voting
Not Voting due to Conflict. Quorum =

ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further matters before the Board of Education, President Easton called for a motion to adjourn.

	Board of Education Member	Mtn	Snd	Yea	Nay	Abn	Abs	Nvt*	
1	Mr. Bucs, Board Vice President						X		1
2	Mr. Hale, Board Member	X		X					2
3	Mrs. Lippincott, Board Member			X					3
4	Mrs. Murtaugh-Frey, Board Member			X					4
5	Mr. Pantano, Board Member		X						5
6	Mr. Ramalho, Board Member			X					6
7	Mr. Roberson, Board Member			X					7
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