



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

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION

School Board, Spring Lake Park Schools

Spring Lake Park, MN

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Easter called the meeting to order at 5:00pm. Board members in attendance were Amy Hennen, Kelly McClellan, Allie Schmidt, Melody Skelly, Marilynn Forsberg, Tony Easter, and Sam Villella, along with Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

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

C. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Budget Planning and Development FY26 – Dr. Ronneberg, shared an update on the guiding change for budget planning and development for the 25-26 school year. He stated that there has not been much change since this was presented to the board at the December retreat and that any other necessary adjustments to funds will be brought to the board this spring. Dr. Ronneberg shared the timeline for 2025-2026 budget and staffing. Conversations about what is happening in the legislature and about the possibility of a levy were held.
2. Teacher Professional Learning – Project Updates – Dr. Hope Rahn, Executive Director of Learning and Innovation, shared with the board an update on the K-12 Study Social Studies, mentioning that the design team engaged in “discovery” of our design thinking process by Looking In (what we currently do at Spring Lake Park schools), Looking out, using inquiry in social studies with connections to college, career and civic life, including creating conditions for meaningful dialogue and collaboration and Looking around, seeing what other school districts are doing nationally. Dr. Rahn also provided an update on the deepen student engagement through innovative and personalized learning where teacher facilitators and lead learners come together across schools one time a month where lead learners on student engagement use design qualities when designing student work and learning experiences. She also mentioned that teacher facilitators then lead learning for their colleagues on professional learning days and through professional learning communities.
3. Other – Dr. Ronneberg shared a draft of the board meeting dates for the 25-26 school year. Dr. Ronneberg also shared that communication will be sent to families in the weekly parent

newsletter about immigration resources and talked about the Panther Foundation found a dream that takes place at the Panther for a Purpose event.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by McClellan, seconded by Schmidt to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (7-0). Meeting adjourned at 6:27pm

Date

Melody Skelly, Clerk
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