



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, April 29, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Easter called the meeting to order at 5:04pm. Board members in attendance were Amy Hennen, Kelly McClellan, Melody Skelly, Marilyn Forsberg, Tony Easter, and Sam Villella, along with Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg. Member Allie Schmidt was absent.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Hennen, seconded by Villella, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0)

C. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. DOP Development 2025-2026: Process Overview – Dr. Ronneberg shared with the board the process to get to the draft DOP for 2025-2026 that he presented at this meeting. He shared that input was gathered from staff through rounding, surveys, reviewing the progress on various projects, presenting the draft DOP at school leadership meetings, teacher facilitators, to cabinet members, district leadership team, and gathering their feedback. He mentioned that some of the projects will continue from the current District Operational Plan into next year, and new projects will be introduced. Some of the new projects are review and refresh career and college pathways, advance curricular reviews, enhance staff collaboration and efficiency using technology, study Lighthouse location to enhance programming, communicate what matters, develop future panthers, to mention a few. He mentioned that the one page DOP 2025-2026 will be presented at the May school board retreat.
2. Budget and Staffing Update FY26 and long term – Dr. Ronneberg shared that not much has changed on the legislature. He mentioned that the House, Senate and State presented their proposed budget, which are very different from each other. He also shared with the board high level results of the survey that was done by Morris Leatherman to 400 members of the community about their possible support in the case Spring Lake Park Schools chooses to go out for a levy. Preliminary results were very positive, showing that the community will support a levy for the school district. He also mentioned that at the board retreat he will go over budget and staffing in more detail for the board to be able to understand every aspect of it.
3. Patriots Marching Band JPA – Dr. Ronneberg shared with the board that we have had a Joint Powers Agreement with Saint Anthony-New Brighton school district with the marching band program, but it is time to renew it. This item will be at the May board meeting for approval. The Board will receive the JPA prior to the board meeting in May.

4. Other – information that will be presented at the May board meeting for probationary staff, unrequested leave of absence, and shared that once we know more about the decision from the legislature, he will review next year’s board meeting dates, as he might do some changes to when meetings will take place or adding extra meetings if needed.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by McClellan to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0). Meeting adjourned at 6:49pm.

Date

Melody Skelly, Clerk
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