

SPRING LAKE BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING, MAY 19, 2025

The Spring Lake Board of Education held a Regular Meeting on Monday, May 19, 2025, in person at the Spring Lake IS/MS Media Center. Jennifer Nicles called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Board members present: Jennifer Nicles, Kelly VanderHoek, Curt Theune, Christopher (Chris) Beck, Paul Aldridge, Courtney Holmes and Dustin Brown. Absent: None

- The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Curt Theune moved, supported by Chris Beck, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Closed Session of April 21, 2025 as presented.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE FOR AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Brody Bench, 16172 Heron Dr, SL – presented the 2025-26 Executive Student Council members to the Board.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

CONSENT AGENDA

Curt Theune moved, supported by Kelly Vander Hoek, to approve the consent agenda for check listings as presented:

- Accounts Payable – Food Service, SLCFAC, General Fund, Student Activity, etc. totaling \$659,088.
- Payroll – totaling \$2,743,528.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

ACTION ITEMS

NEW HIRES

Curt Theune moved, supported by Chris Beck, to approve the hiring of the following:

David Binkley Business TeacherSL High School
Jillyn Swanson..... DK Teacher Jeffers Elementary
Hailey Talmadge GSRP Teacher Jeffers Elementary
Charis Larson IS/MS Asst Principal..... Intermediate/Middle Schools

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Dennis Furton provided brief details on the new hires and the positions they are filling.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT

Curt Theune moved, supported by Chris Beck, to approve, with regrets, the resignation of Rebecca Kaufman, Music teacher at Jeffers Elementary, as presented.

Mr. Furton noted that Ms. Kaufman has been with the district for 30 years and served a key role in the music department. He expressed his appreciation for her years of service in the district.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

NON-UNION STAFF CONTRACT EXTENSIONS

Curt Theune moved, supported by Chris Beck, to approve the superintendent and administrator contract extensions as follows:

- Contract extension through 2027-28 for the following administrator:
Dennis Furton, Superintendent
- Contract extensions through 2026-27 for the following administrators:
Liz Boeve, Director of Operations
Amy Kendall, Director of Special Education
Ben Armev, High School Principal
Tony Bush, High School Asst Principal
Jonathan Fitzpatrick, Intermediate/Middle School Principal
Charis Larson, Intermediate/Middle School Asst Principal
Sandra Smits, Holmes Elementary Principal
Kristin Dewitt, Jeffers Elementary Principal
JT Hogan, Athletic Director
David Theune, Communications Director

Vote: Yes – Unanimous; Curt Theune abstained

RESOLUTION TO SCHEDULE BUDGET HEARING

Curt Theune moved, supported by Chris Beck, to approve the resolution to schedule the 2025-26 Budget Hearing for 5:45 p.m. on Monday, June 16, 2025, in the IS/MS Media Center as presented.

Mr. Furton provided that this is required by law as part of the truth-in-taxation process and that the the finance committee will meet before the budget hearing to discuss the 2025-2026 budget in depth.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

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OAISD GENERAL FUND BUDGET RESOLUTION

Curt Theune moved, supported by Chris Beck, to approve the OAISD General Fund Budget Resolution as presented.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

VELOCITY BASED TRAINING (VBT) SYSTEM PURCHASE APPROVAL

Curt Theune moved, supported by Chris Beck, to approve the purchase of a Perch Velocity Based Training System for the Laker Athletic Center from Catalyft Labs for a cost not to exceed \$73,202.40 as presented.

Cody Mallory, head football coach, explained what a VBT system is, how it works and can benefit athletes in all sports and students in PE classes. He answered questions from the Board and indicated that the system is currently in use by football and lacrosse athletes as well in lifting PE classes. Coach Mallory provided that he and other staff will be able to provide training to other coaches interested in learning the system and that having the 24 stations would shorten the length of training time for athletes.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

FIBER NETWORK UPGRADE FOR HOLMES, IS/MS AND OPERATIONS

Curt Theune moved, supported by Chris Beck, to approve the purchase for the new fiber network installation at Holmes, Intermediate and Middle Schools and Operations from Western Tel-Com, Inc. for a cost of \$36,139.20 with \$1200 contingency, for a total cost not to exceed \$37,339.20 as presented.

Brent Gustafson, Technology Coordinator, provided details on the upgrades and answered questions from the Board.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

HS THEATER LIGHTING SYSTEM UPGRADES BID AWARD APPROVAL

Curt Theune moved, supported by Chris Beck, to approve bid award for the SLHS Theater Lighting System Upgrades to Upstage Companies for a cost not to exceed \$131,670 as presented.

David Miller with Stage Direction Theatrical Consulting provided the details on the upgrades and answered questions from the Board.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

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OAISD BIENNIAL ELECTION RESOLUTION

Mr. Furton provided the requirement and background for the OAISD biennial board election to be held on June 2, 2025, at approximately 5:45 p.m., and the Board discussed designating a voting delegate and alternate. Chris Beck volunteered to act as delegate and Paul Aldridge as the alternate. The Board discussed the candidates and the procedure for adopting the resolution at the special meeting immediately following this regular meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Furton reported on the following:

- Legislative Update – provided to the Board. The May consensus revenue estimating conference was held last Friday, however clarity around the district’s budget may not come until late summer.
- Personnel – Status of the following teaching positions provided:
 - MS PE and Health – Internal Posting ends today
 - Elementary Music – posting on hold at this time to evaluate other options
 - GSRP – one vacancy has been filled, interviews for the remaining two (new sections) are scheduled for later this week
- Calendar:
 - May 22, 3:00-5:30 p.m. – District Happy Hour at Stan’s
 - May 28, 6:00 p.m. – Graduation at Trinity Health Arena
 - June 6 – Last Day/Half Day

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Budget Hearing & Regular Board Meeting – June 16, 2025, 5:45 p.m.
Regular meeting to immediately follow the Budget Hearing
Location: IS/MS Media Center

ADJOURNMENT

Curt Thune moved, supported by Chris Beck, to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

Jennifer Nicles adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
Date
Board Secretary

SPRING LAKE BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING, MAY 19, 2025

The Spring Lake Board of Education held a Special Meeting on Monday, May 19, 2025, in person at the Spring Lake IS/MS Media Center. Jennifer Nicles called the meeting to order at 6:51 p.m. Board members present: Jennifer Nicles, Kelly VanderHoek, Curt Theune, Christopher Beck, Paul Aldridge, Christopher Beck, Courtney Holmes and Dustin Brown. Absent: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ACTION ITEM

OAISD BIENNIAL ELECTION RESOLUTION

Paul Aldridge moved, supported by Kelly VanderHoek, to approve the resolution designating Chris Beck as representative and Paul Aldridge as the alternate representative to the OAISD Biennial Election, and directing the representative or alternate to cast a vote on behalf of the Board for Rick Dernberger and Jennifer Cymbola for the two 6-year terms and John Siemion for the partial term expiring June 30, 2027.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

ADJOURNMENT

Curt Thune moved, supported by Paul Aldridge, to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: Yes – Unanimous

Jennifer Nicles adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
Date Board Secretary