



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

## **SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION**

### **Spring Lake Park Schools School Board**

**Spring Lake Park, MN**

**Monday, September 22, 2025**

#### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Easter called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Board members present were – Amy Hennen, Melody Skelly, Marilyn Forsberg, Sam Villella, Tony Easter, along with Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg. Member Kelly McClellan arrived at 5:09pm. Member Schmidt was absent.

#### **B. AGENDA APPROVAL**

*Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Hennen to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (5-0)*

#### **C. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 1. Project Update: Review and Refresh Career and College Pathways** – Dr. Hope Rahn, Executive Director of Learning and Innovation and Dr. Melissa Olson, Director of Learning Design and Student Engagement gave an update on the District Operational Plan project of Review and Refresh Career and College Pathways. Dr. Rahn shared that nine years ago, we made the choice to implement courses within three pathways: Technology, Engineering and Design, Health and Human Services and Business and Entrepreneurship. She mentioned that we want to make sure that our programming stays relevant and forward thinking. She shared all the different data and information that they compiled to launch the pathways. Dr. Rahn and Dr. Olson shared quickly the history of this project. Dr. Olson shared the current process and timeline to review the career and college pathways. The design team will review and refine outcomes as well as study our current offerings, study emerging market trends and identify any gaps in current programming. Dr. Olson shared that we will be gathering information and input from teachers, students, and partners to create an implementation plan as well as continue to support all teachers in the design of engaging work by bringing pathways type experiences into the core.
- 2. Preliminary Taxes Payable 2026** – Ms. Amy Schulz, Executive Director of Business Services shared a brief update on the process and timeline for the proposed annual property tax levy. The board will see details of the proposed budget over the next several months, including discussion around any necessary adjustment to the preliminary levy. Ms. Schultz shared that this is completely different from the operating levy. This is pertaining our annual property tax levy, where we do our Truth in Taxation hearing in December.
- 3. Levy Update** – Dr. Ronneberg share with the Board a brief update about the levy. Mentioning the different presentations that he has been doing with staff, rotary, and parent-teacher organizations, to mention a few. He showed the video about the levy that is available on the website, and shared that on October 9<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Friends and Family Night where people can look at the list of people that lives in the district that they can contact to inform them about the levy.

- 4. Other** – No other items

**D. ACTION ITEMS**

Approval to Certify the Proposed 2025 Payable 2026 Maximum Property Tax Levy

*Motion by Skelly, seconded by Hennen, to approve the certification of proposed 2025 Payable 2026 maximum Property Tax Levy.*

*Motion carried unanimously (6-0).*

**E. CLOSED SESSION**

*Motion by Villella, seconded by McClellan to enter into Closed Session to discuss employee negotiations.*

*Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0). Entered into Closed Session at 5:45pm.*

*Motion by Villella, seconded by Hennen to reconvene the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0). Meeting reconvened at 6:27pm.*

**F. 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 6:27pm.*

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Melody Skelly, Clerk  
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