



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

SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING
Spring Lake Park Schools School Board
Spring Lake Park, MN
January 13, 2026

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Easter called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Board members present were Amy Hennen, Tony Easter, Marilynn Forsberg, Kelly McClellan, Sam Villella and Melody Skelly, along with Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg and Student Council Representatives Mia Swinarski and Mickey Tran. Board member Allie Schmidt was absent.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

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

C. SOME FUTURE EVENTS (Please check the district website at www.springlakeparkschools.org for a complete list of monthly events)

- Monday, January 19, 2026 - No School for Students or Staff; buildings, childcare, and District Services Center closed
- Tuesday, January 27, 2026 - School Board Work Session, 5:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 10, 2026 - School Board Regular Meeting, 7:00p.m. with Communication to the Board and Administration at 6:45p.m.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Hennen, seconded by Villella, to approve the following items of the consent agenda:

1. Minutes of the December 16, 2025, Regular Meeting
2. Bills Paid for November 2025, in the following amounts:

BILLS PAID – NOVEMBER 2025	
Fund	Total Payments
General	\$ 4,201,387
Food Service	254,751
Community Education	153,926
Debt Service	-
Internal Service Funds	118,321

OPEB Trust Account	-
TOTAL	\$ 4,728,385

3. Personnel Items

EMPLOYMENTS

Name	Location	Position	Start Date	New, Growth, Replace or Reallocation
Hana Beier	NP	Resident Teacher	01/07/2026	Replace
Jaimie Bieber	WW	Nutrition Services Associate	01/05/2026	Replace
Adelynn Lier	CV	Long-Term Sub/Building Sub	01/05/2026	New
Alexis Matthews	WW	Alternative to Suspension Paraprofessional	01/06/2026	Replace
Kinsey Mattison	DW	Long-Term Sub: Speech Language Pathologist	01/12/2026	Replace
Carter Wenzler	DW	Long-Term Sub: Social Studies Teacher	12/22/2025	Replace

TERMINATIONS/RESIGNATIONS/SEPARATIONS FROM EMPLOYMENT

Name	Location	Employee Group	Notes
Taylor Covlin	WW	Teachers	Resignation as of December 23, 2025
Claire Gustafson	PT	Educator Apprentice	Resignation as of January 16, 2026
Norma Molina	PT	Nutrition Services	Resignation as of January 9, 2026
Kristen Olson	SLPHS	Paraprofessionals	Retirement as of December 23, 2025
Varmah Sonie	SLPHS	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of December 12, 2025
Alexander Sumsky	NP	Paraprofessionals	Resignation as of December 23, 2025

LEAVES OF ABSENCE - None

Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0)

E. **DISCUSSION, REPORTS, INFORMATION ITEMS**

- Engaged and Enthusiastic Learners** – Will Wackman, Activities and Athletics Director, presented an update of the Fall 2025 season for Activities and Athletics. Mr. Wackman reviewed the athletics/activities offered, highlighting student participation and outcomes. He highlighted the many successes of the variety of athletics, co-curriculars, student clubs, and fine arts events that students participated in this fall. Board member comments took place and focused on the great work being done by Mr. Wackman with the students at Spring Lake Park Schools.
- Effective Operations** – Ms. Colleen Pederson, Executive Director of Community Education and Outreach, and Ms. Erika Taibl, Executive Director of Marketing and Communications, shared an update highlighting upcoming enrollment, registration, and grade level transition events being held to enhance connections with families. Enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year is now open. Outreach to families regarding enrollment has begun including mailings to the community as well as communication with current families with children of kindergarten age. Dates for upcoming enrollment opportunities were shared for students/families as well as course registration for grades 8-11 and for new students/families to the district for the 2026-2027 school year.

- 3. Engaged and Enthusiastic Learners** – Dr. Hope Rahn, Executive Director of Learning and Innovation, presented an update on the District Operational Plan project of Advance Curricular Reviews. Dr. Rahn shared information on the project background sharing that it encompasses three areas of curricular work: Math, Social Studies and Multilingual Programming mentioning that each curricular area is in a different phase of our curriculum continuous improvement cycle. Currently, Math is in phase of research evidence-based practices and study current practices (year 1); Social Studies is in the phase of develop intended curriculum (year 2) and Multilingual Learning is on the phase of professional learning and implementation (year 3) and shared what has been done during these phases as well as next steps that will be taking place in each area.
- 4. Effective Operations** - Ms. Amy Schultz, Executive Director of Business Services, presented the monthly financial report for the month of November. Ms. Schultz shared the cash basis financial report including the treasurer’s report, revenue, and expenditures.
- 5. Superintendent’s Report** – Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg highlighted in his report different activities taking place throughout the district, some calendar reminders, and Panthers for a Purpose event that will take place in February.

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Second Reading of Revised School Board Policies

Motion by Villella, seconded by Skelly to approve the second reading and approval of the revised policy 533 – School Meals.

Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes. (6-0)

2. Acknowledgement of Gifts

Motion by McClellan, seconded by Hennen to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS School Board Policy 706 establishes guidelines for the acceptance of gifts to the District; and

WHEREAS Minnesota Statute 465.03 states that a School Board may accept a gift of real or personal property by the adoption of a resolution approved by two-thirds of its members.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Spring Lake Park Schools accepts with appreciation the gifts as shown.

Roll Call: *Aye: Villella, Skelly, McClellan, Easter, Forsberg, and Hennen. Nays: None*

Resolution was adopted. (6-0).

Description	Value	Donor	Purpose/To
Monetary	\$ 73.50	Box Tops for Education	Northpoint Elementary – Student needs
Monetary	\$ 80.00	Blackbaud Giving Fund	Westwood Schools – Student programming
Monetary	\$ 52.80	Box Tops for Education	Park Terrace Elementary – Student needs
TOTAL	\$ 206.30		

Description	Donor	Purpose/To
Assorted Library Books	Amy and Scott Bennett	Northpoint Elementary – Student use

G. BOARD FORUM AND REPORTS (IF ANY)

Student council representatives Swinarski and Tran, shared information about winter spirit week, winter activities and athletics. Members of the board shared updates on the meetings they attended.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Schmidt, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously with all members present voting yes (6-0). Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm.

Date

Melody Skelly, *Clerk*
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