

SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Springfield, New Jersey

PUBLIC HEARING MARCH 31, 2009

The Springfield Board of Education is committed to providing high quality, efficient educational programs through which all students achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Contents Standards. Every effort is made to ensure that the district's certificated and support personnel are among the best in their fields.

The staff and Board of Education are dedicated to maintaining excellence in the delivery of child-centered educational programs. Very simply stated, in Springfield...SCHOOLS ARE FOR KIDS!

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Township of Springfield in the County of Union, New Jersey, was held at the Jonathan Dayton High School Instructional Media Center-First Floor on Monday, March 31, 2009 at 7:20P.M.

President's Statement: Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, the Board Secretary caused notice be given to the public and the press on March 4, 2009 and revised on March 26, 2009.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Mr. Anthony Delia

Present: Mr. Donato Circelli, Miss Linda Duke, Mr. Andrew Fekete,
Mr. Irwin Sablosky, Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes, Mrs. Patricia Venezia,
Mr. Anthony Delia

Absent: Dr. David Hollander, Mr. Jeff Strumpf

Also

Present: Mr. Michael Davino, Superintendent
Mrs. Hillary Corburn, Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Matthew Clarke, Business Administrator/ Board Secretary
Mrs. Ellyn Atherton, Director of Human Resources

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

PUBLIC HEARING

Presentation of the 2009-10 Proposed Tentative Budget
(Power-point presentation of proposed budget is available on the District
webpage)

4. PUBLIC SESSION (9:01-9:27 PM)

The following members of the public had questions or comments regarding the
2009-10 proposed tentative budget:

Deb Amlen
Brian Kass
Tom Miscowitz

5. 2009-2010 SCHOOL BUDGET

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of the Proposed Budget for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$34,540,111 with the district tax requirement of \$30,561,479 to be placed on the ballot at the Annual School Election to be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2009. (Attachment A)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

6. APPENDIX E

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, that the Board of Education approve the attached revised Appendix E documentation supporting its estimated current year general fund surplus balances. (Attachment A1)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

7. SPECIAL COUNCIL FOR SEC RESOLUTION

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, appointment of the following firm and attorney as special counsel to the Springfield Board of Education, for the recently approved SEC resolution regarding the School Ethics Act N.J.S.A. 18A:12-21, et seq:

Firm: Bauch Zucker Hatfield

Address: 871 Mountain Avenue, Suite 200, Springfield, NJ

Attorney: Richard H. Bauch, Esq.

Rate: Partner/Attorney - \$160/hour

Paralegal/Paraprofessional - \$65/hour

Yeas: Mr. Donato Circelli, Miss Linda Duke, Mr. Irwin Sablosky,
Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes, Mrs. Patricia Venezia, Mr. Anthony Delia

Nays: Mr. Andrew Fekete

MOTION CARRIED

8. PUBLIC SESSION 9:36-9:37 PM

The following members of the public had questions or comments regarding an anonymous letter circulating in the community:

Dennis Wolfe

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. The School Government Committee will meet on April 13th to review the Superintendent's evaluation

b. The Buildings and Grounds Committee will meet on April 20th

c. Taste of the Town, held on March 30th, was a wonderful event that raised funds for the schools and community

d. Donato Circelli thanked the Board, Administration and the community for a great first year as a new member of the Board

e. The Board expressed its deepest sympathy to the Munoz family on the passing of Assemblymen Eric Munoz

f. Correspondence – wants JS to respond

10. ADJOURNMENT (9:45 PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 PM.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

Upcoming Meetings:

1. Regular Meeting – April 20, 2009 at 7:30 PM in the IMC at JDHS
2. School Board Election – April 21, 2009 - 2:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Matthew A. Clarke
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

RESOLUTION FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE 2009 – 2010 SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGET AND TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, the Springfield Board of Education adopted a tentative budget on March 16, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was advertised in the legal section of the Observer on March 26, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Budget for General Funds shall be \$32,885,875 which \$30,561,479 shall be raised by local tax levy; and

WHEREAS, the Total Budget shall be \$34,540,111 of which \$31,490,028 shall be raised by local tax levy;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Springfield Board of Education hereby adopts the 2009 – 2010 School Year Budget and that budget be offered to the legal voters of the Township of Springfield at the Annual School Election to be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following statement be included in the sample ballot required pursuant to section 10 of P.L. 1995, c278 (C.19:60-10):

The school district has proposed programs and services in addition to the core curriculum content standards adopted by the State Board of Education. Information on this budget and the programs and services it provides is available from your local school district.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following be placed on the ballot of the annual school election:

RESOLVED, that there should be raised for General Funds \$30,561,479 for the ensuing School Year 2009 – 2010.

