

SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Springfield, New Jersey

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**Subject to Revisions by the Springfield Board of Ed**

REGULAR MEETING

A Regular 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, December 5, 2005 at 7:07 P.M.

President's Statement: Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231, the Board Secretary caused notice of the meeting to be given to the public and the press on April 25, 2005.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Mrs. Patricia Venezia.

Present: Mr. Anthony Delia, Miss Linda Duke, Mr. Lloyd Grossman,  
Mr. Hugh Keffer, Mrs. Judith Millman Mr. Irwin Sablosky,  
Mrs. Fran Sandler, Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes, Mrs. Patricia Venezia

Also

Present: Mr. Michael Davino, Superintendent  
Mr. Matthew A. Clarke, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

2. SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS (7:08 PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Delia, to suspend the rules of the order of business of the Regular Meeting and adjourn to closed conference session to discuss personnel, legal and negotiation matters.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

3. RECONVENE THE REGULAR MEETING (7:40PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, approval to reconvene the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Thank you letter from Thelma Ottenstein

5. MINUTES

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, to approve the following minutes:

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Yeas: Mr. Anthony Delia, Miss Linda Duke,

Mr. Hugh Keffer, Mrs. Judith Millman Mr. Irwin Sablosky,  
Mrs. Fran Sandler, Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes, Mrs. Patricia Venezia  
Abstention: Mr. Lloyd Grossman MOTION CARRIED

6. PUBLIC SESSION (7:50-7:51 PM)

1. Kathy Rodriquez

7. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

1. Student Academic Recognition – Adam Hirst
2. Mary Cokeing thanked the Board regarding the JSA conference

8. PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the appointment of personnel on the attachment.  
(Attachment A)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

9. TUITION GRANTS

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move approval of the attached personnel for following courses as being eligible for Tuition Grant reimbursement and applicable for advancement on the guide. (Attachment B)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

10. STUDENT TEACHERS

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move to approve the attached student teachers for the 2005-2006 school year. (Attachment C)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

11. GOVERNMENT FUNDING FOR TITLE I AND IDEA

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval of the attached resolution requesting that the Federal Government meet its obligation to fund Special Education, Title I and IDEA, at its promised percentage of 40%.  
(Attachment D)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

12. EIGHTH GRADE CURRICULUM

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of following curriculum for the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade for the 2005 – 2006 school year.

- **History and Culture of the Non-Western World**

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present. MOTION CARRIED

13. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Sablosky reviewed the previous public Budget discussion regarding potential fees:

- a. Pre School
- b. Activity fees
- c. Building usage
- d. Budget and revenue

14. PUBLIC SESSION (8:35-10:52 PM)

The following members of the public had comments or suggestions regarding laptops and possible Pre School fees:

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| 1. Laura Delia      | 6. Matt Friedman     |
| 2. Beth Mattis      | 7. Lawrence Davorcer |
| 3. Scott Soberstein | 8. Liz Malowski      |
| 4. David Hollander  | 9. Avi Lacovsky      |
| 5. Kathy Rodriquez  | 10. Rachel Gary      |

15. EXTEND MEETING PAST 11:00 PM

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval to extend the meeting past 11:00 PM

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

16. CLOSED SESSION (10.55 PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, I move to suspend the rules of the order of business of the Regular Meeting and adjourn to closed conference session for the reasons contained in the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

“WHEREAS the Board of Education must discuss subjects concerning personnel, legal matters, student discipline and negotiations which are not appropriate subjects to be discussed in a public meeting and which are within the exemptions permitted to be discussed and acted upon in private session pursuant to P.L. 1975 Chapter 231, it is therefore

RESOLVED that the aforesaid subjects shall be discussed in private session by this Board and the administrative staff and information pertaining thereto will be made available to the public as soon thereafter as possible and once the reasons for non-disclosure no longer exist.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

17. CLOSED CONFERENCE ITEMS

1. Legal
2. Personnel
3. Negotiations

18. RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION (11:26 PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, approval to reconvene the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

19. SEA GREIVANCE RE: TEACHER DEPARTURE ON FRIDAY AT EVW

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, approval for the Board of Education to deny the grievance submitted by the Springfield Education Association regarding Article XX, item 4 – Time and Function, departure time on Fridays, at Walton Early Childhood Center.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

20. SEA GREIVANCE RE: AFTERNOON DUTIES FOR WALTON STAFF

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval for the Board of Education to deny the grievance submitted by the Springfield Education Association regarding Afternoon duties for Walton staff.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

21. SEA GREIVANCE RE: PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TUITION GRANTS

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval for the Board of Education to deny the grievance submitted by the Springfield Education Association regarding Article XXII, items A, B, C Professional Development regarding Tuition Grants and its Eligibility and Procedure for such actions.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

22. SEA GREIVANCE RE: LUNCH DUTY AT WALTON SCHOOL

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval for the Board of Education to deny the grievance submitted by the Springfield Education Association regarding Article XXI, item B1 – Lunch Duty, departure time on those days, at Walton Early Childhood Center.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

23. OLD BUSINESS 2ND SESSION

1. Other areas the finance committee should review:
  - Increase student fees

24. ADJOURNMENT (11:45PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Grossman, to adjourn the meeting at 11:45 PM.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

Next Regular Meeting – December 19, 2005, 7:30 PM in the IMC at JDHS