

REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 26, 2007

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, February 26, 2007 at 7:13 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 24, 2006.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes.

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

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. CLOSED SESSION (7:14)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, 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

3. CLOSED CONFERENCE ITEMS

- 1. Legal
- 2. Personnel
- 3. Negotiations

4. RECONVENE (7:30)

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

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6. MINUTES

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr.Grossman, to approve the following minutes:

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Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

7. PUBLIC SESSION (7:32 PM)

There were no comments or suggestions from the public at this time.

8. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Davino reviewed the following items:

- Budget presentations were postponed to a later date
- New information regarding 2007/08 budget was released from the State

9. BILL LIST

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval of computer checks numbered 016180 through 016483 and wire transfers 800028 in the amount of \$2,984,270.26 minus voided check numbers 015705, 16036 and 016059 in the amount of \$6,479.00 for a grand total of \$2,977,791.26

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

10. BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval of the Board Secretary’s Report dated January 31, 2007 and that it be received and placed on file.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

11. TREASURER’S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval of the Treasurer’s Report dated January 31, 2007 that it be received and placed on file.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

12. LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval of the transfer of funds from and to the following line item accounts as designated. (Attachment A)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

13. BOARD'S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13 (e) and after review of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial reports and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, I move the Board certify that to the best of its knowledge as of January 31, 2007 no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

14. PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

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

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

15. NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND REVISED APPLICATION 2006-07

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move approval to accept funds for the 2006-07 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) revised application.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

16. CANDIDATE POSITION ON BALLOT

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval that Wednesday, March 7, 2007 at 4 P.M. be established as the date and time for the drawing of names for positions on the ballot for the School Board Election on April 17, 2007.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

17. ANNUAL BUDGET HEARING

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval that on March 26, 2007 at 7:30 P.M. be established as the date and time for the Annual Budget Hearing.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

18. JSA OVERNIGHT TRIP

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the following overnight field trip –

- JSA Winter Congress – JSA Convention Arlington, VA (March 1-4, 2007)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

19. ACADEMY FOR TEACHING AND LEADERSHIP

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move to approve a contract with the Academy for Teaching and Leadership for administrative professional development in the amount of \$14,000.00 and for Board professional development in the amount of \$3,250.00.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

20. TUITION GRANT

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the attached personnel for following courses being for Tuition Grant reimbursement and applicable for advancement on the guide. (Attachment C)

Yeas: Miss Linda Duke, Mr. Lloyd Grossman, Dr. David Hollander, Mrs. Judith Millman, Mrs. Fran Sandler, Mrs. Patricia Venezia, Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes

Abstention: Mr. Anthony Delia, Mr. Irwin Sablosky

MOTION CARRIED

21. PUBLIC SESSION (8:00 PM)

There were no comments or suggestions from the public at this time.

22. NEW BUSINESS

a. A donation will be made in memory of Carole Larsen.

23. OLD BUSINESS

a. Mr. Clarke announced the candidates who applied within the time aloud by law for the School Board election. The candidates are:

- 1. Irwin Sablosky
- 2. Patricia Venezia
- 3. Linda Duke
- 4. Peter Cook

b. Girls Varsity Basketball Team will be competing in the State Tournament Tuesday night at JDHS.

24. CLOSED SESSION (8:07)

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Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

25. CLOSED CONFERENCE ITEMS

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26. RECONVENE (9:13 PM)

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

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

27. OLD BUSINESS 2ND SESSION

- a. The Board discussed possible areas for establishing the 2007/2008 budget
- b. The areas of interest for the Finance Committee to review on Thursday are:
 - Non-mandated programs
 - Look at total picture "The Prize" – HS Diploma
 - Consolidation/redistricting
 - Utilizing Land on Top

28. ADJOURNMENT 9:57)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Grossman, to adjourn the meeting at 9:57 PM.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

Next Regular Meeting March 5, 2007 at 7:30 PM in the IMC at JDHS.

Matthew A. Clarke
Business Administrator/Board Secretary