

REGULAR MEETING JUNE 25, 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, June 25, 2007 at 7:35 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 23, 2007.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Mrs. Judith Millman.

Present: Mr. Anthony Delia, Miss Linda Duke, Mr. Lloyd Grossman, Dr. David Hollander (left the meeting at 9:39 PM), Mr. Irwin Sablosky, Mrs. Fran Sandler, Mrs. Patricia Venezia,  
Mrs. Judith Millman

Absent: 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. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. MINUTES

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, to approve the following minutes:  
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Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

4. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- a. Middle Schools Sports
  - Minimal interest shown by survey
  - Benefactor, *Rider Insurance*, will match funds
- b. Room capacity violation
  - Not happening
  - Old sign has been removed
  - Board would never put children in danger
- c. Tennis Team
  - State Group I Champs*
  - All State Group I Honors*
    - 1. Jordan Gelband
    - 2. Jonathan Friedman
- d. Annual Board Members Ethics Review

5. PUBLIC SESSION (8:00 PM)

No members of the public had comments regarding the agenda

6. BILL LIST

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval of computer checks numbered 016874 through 017043 and wire transfer 800032 in the amount of \$3,755,397.82 minus voided check number 016828 in the amount of \$240.00 for a grand total of \$3,755,157.82.”

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

7. BOARD SECRETARY’S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval of the Board Secretary’s Report dated April 30, 2007 and May 31, 2007 and that it be received and placed on file.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

8. TREASURER’S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval of the Treasurer’s Report dated April 30, 2007 and May 31, 2007 and that it be received and placed on file..

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

9. 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, A1)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

10. 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 April 30, 2007 and May 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

**11. TAX SHELTER ANNUITIES**

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, that the Board of Education of the Township of Springfield authorize the Secretary of the Board to make payroll deductions for those employees who have indicated their desire by completing an appropriate salary reduction agreement with AIG/Valic, Citistreet (formerly The Copeland Companies), Equitable Life Assurance Co., Inc., The Goldman Group (Cadaret, Grant & Co., Inc.), MetLife Investors, and Nationwide (formerly the Dean Witter Reynolds Inc.), for the purchase of tax deferred annuities to be purchased at no cost to the Board, and at no cost to the community, and to transmit such funds to the proper agency for the 2007-2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**12. HORIZON HEALTH COVERAGE**

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval to authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to sign a contract with Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield of New Jersey to provide medical and prescription coverage per the Springfield Education Association Agreement, Article VII, Insurance Protection for the 2007-2008 school year, the broker of record for the medical and prescription program to be G.R. Murray. The prescription plan is capped at \$184,154.\* for SEA members pursuant to Article VII C.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**13. DELTA DENTAL**

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval to authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to sign a contract with Delta Dental to provide dental coverage per the Springfield Education Association Agreement, Article VII, Insurance Protection for the 2007-2008 school year, the broker of record for the dental program to be G.R. Murray.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**14. ZURICH INSURANCE GENERAL LIABILITY**

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval to authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to contract the Springfield Public School District's Multi-Peril Package and Automobile, \$10 million Primary Umbrella, Employee Blanket Bond, School Board Legal Liability, and Storage Tank Liability/Environmental Impairment with G.R. Murray, agent; and insurance coverage through Zurich Insurance Company for a total amount of \$95,249 for the 2007-2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**15. FIREMAN’S FUND EXCESS LIABILITY**

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval to contract the Springfield Public School District’s \$50 million Catastrophic Excess Liability Coverage with GR Murray, agent, and insurance coverage through Fireman’s Fund Insurance Company in the amount of \$8,218.00 for the 2007 - 2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**16. ERIC NORTH/NJSBAIG WORKERS COMPENSATION**

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval to authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to contract the Springfield Public School District’s Worker’s Compensation coverage with GR Murray, agent, and insurance coverage through Eric North/NJSBAIG (New Jersey School Boards Insurance Group), in the amount of \$150,119 for the 2007 - 2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**17. McCLOSKEY INSURANCE STUDENT & ATHLETIC**

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval to contract the Springfield Public School District’s Compulsory Student Accident including Interscholastic Sports and Blanket Accident – Volunteer insurance with GR Murray, agent, and insurance coverage through McCloskey Insurance in the amount of \$16,238.00 for the 2007 - 2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**18. CHUBB INSURANCE TRAVEL**

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval to contract the Springfield Public School District’s Travel Accident – Board Members & Administrators insurance with GR Murray, agent, and insurance coverage through Chubb Insurance in the amount of \$500.00 for the 2007 - 2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**19. SELECTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY BONDS**

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval to contract the Springfield Public School District’s Treasurer of School Monies Bond and School Business Administrator Bond with GR Murray, agent, and insurance coverage through Selective Insurance in the amount of \$818.00 for the 2007 - 2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

**MOTION CARRIED**

20. ARAMARK FOOD SERVICES

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval of a cafeteria management service to operate the breakfast/lunch program at all district schools for the 2007-2008 school year and that such service be provided by ARAMARK School Support Services at an general and administrative fee of \$\$0.052 per meal served plus a management fee of \$0.046 per meal served. In addition, ARAMARK School Support Services, proposes to operate the Springfield food service program on a guaranteed break-even basis.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

21. BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PRICES

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approval of the following food service prices for the 2007-2008 school year and that all schools participate in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP):

	<u>BREAKFAST</u>		<u>LUNCH</u>	
	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Reduced</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Reduced</u>
Elementary	\$1.25	\$0.30	\$2.15	\$0.40
Middle	\$1.60	\$0.30	\$2.35	\$0.40
High School	\$1.85	\$0.30	\$2.85	\$0.40.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

22. SPECIAL SALARIES AND FEES

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, approve the Special Salaries, Fees, and Compensation Rates for the 2007-2008 school year. (Attachment B)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

23. PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the appointment of personnel on the attachment. (Attachment c)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

24. ADDITIONAL SICK LEAVE

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval to grant additional sick leave from June 14, 2007 to June 30, 2007 as per the current agreement with the Springfield Education Association, Part II (Secretaries), Article XI (Absentee Policy), Section A (Personal illness) item 4.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

**25. MENTOR/MENTEE REVISION**

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move to approve the following personnel as Mentor for the 2006 2007 school year.

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|-----------------|---------------|
| • <u>Mentor</u> | <u>Mentee</u> |
| Margaret Skelly | Jason Perone  |

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

**26. OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENT SUMMER**

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, that the Board of Education approve the following special education students for out-of-district 2007 summer school placement:

<u>Student</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Tuition And Dates</u>
0218	Somerset Hills Somerset, NJ	\$11,280.00 7/05 – 8/15
1008	Somerset Hills Somerset, NJ	\$11,280.00 7/05 – 8/15
1303	Cerebral Palsy of North Jersey Livingston, NJ	\$8,857.50 7/05 - 8/15
0825 (Revised)	Crossroads Mountainside, NJ	\$3,900.00 7/5 – 8/3
1315 (Revised)	Summit Speech School Summit, NJ	\$3,750.00 7/05 – 8/15

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

**27. OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY- CALDWELL PEDIATRIC**

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve entering into a contract with *the Caldwell Pediatric Therapy Center, West Caldwell, NJ* to provide Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy (OT/PT) at the rate of \$90/hour per therapy for the summer 2007 school year).

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

**28. ITINERANT SERVICES-LAKE DRIVE SCHOOL**

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve entering into a contract with the *Lake Drive School, Westfield, NJ* to provide Itinerant Services for student 1315 at the rate of \$115/hour for 1/hour per week from July 5, 2007 through August 15, 2007.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

29. EDUCATIONAL EVALUATIONS – UCESC

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move to approve entering into a contract with the *Union County Educational Services Commission, Westfield, NJ* to provide Educational Evaluations during the summer of 2007 at the rate of \$290/evaluation.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

30. APPLIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS - WES SAMONS

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move to approve entering into a contract with *Wes Samons* to provide Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) at the rate of \$50/hour and for a maximum of 3x per week for the summer 2007 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

31. NON PUBLIC IDEA – UCESC

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to authorize the Union County Educational Services Commission to administer the district’s IDEA-B funds for nonpublic schools pursuant to the requirements of the Individuals with Disability Act grant application for the 2007-08 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

32. REVISED TUITION GRANT

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

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

MOTION CARRIED

33. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAVEL

Moved by Mrs. Venezia, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the attached personnel travel for Professional Development. (Attachment E)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

34. SUPERVISORS CONTRACT 2006-2009

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to authorize the Board President and Business Administrator/Board Secretary to sign an agreement between the Springfield Supervisors Association and Board of Education for the period of July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2009.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

35. 2<sup>ND</sup> READING POLICY # 4133/9250

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Sandler, to approve the second and final reading of the following policies (Attachment F):

Policy #4133/9250 – Travel Expense/Reimbursement

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

36. MORRIS UNION JOINTURE POOL RENTAL

Moved by Mr. Grossman, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, approval to authorize the Board President to execute a contract with Morris Union Jointure Commission, Union, NJ for use of swimming pool for practices and games during the 2007 - 2008 season, at a fee not to exceed \$6,785.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

37. MORRIS UNION JOINTURE TRANSPORTATION

Moved by Mr. Grossman, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, approval authorizing the Springfield Board of Education to participate in coordinated transportation agreements hosted by the Morris Union Jointure Commission for the 2007 - 2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

38. UNION COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION

Moved by Mr. Grossman, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, approval authorizing the Springfield Board of Education to participate in coordinated transportation agreements hosted by the Union County Educational Services Commission for the 2007 - 2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

39. ESSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION

Moved by Mr. Grossman, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, approval authorizing the Springfield Board of Education to participate in coordinated transportation agreements hosted by the Essex County Educational Services Commission for the 2007 - 2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

40. UNION COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FINCH FUEL OIL

Moved by Mr. Grossman, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, to approve the Union County Educational Services Commission resolution to sign a contract with Finch Fuel Oil Co., Inc. for #2 fuel oil premium at \$+.0243 per gallon for delivery for the 2007-2008 school year.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED



**41. DEP’S COMPUTER RECYCLING PROGRAM**

Moved by Mr. Grossman, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, approval authorizing the Springfield Board of Education to participate in the DEP’s statewide recycling program (Limited-time, Free Computer Recycle Program for Educational Institutions) and that the attached list of obsolete technology equipment be identified as surplus property.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**42. 2<sup>nd</sup> PUBLIC SESSION (8:41-9:18 PM)**

The following members of the public had questions or concerns regarding middle school sports, room occupancy and 2007-08 budget:

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| Diane Taylor   | Warren Frank |
| Laura Delia    | Gloria Rego  |
| Sandra Linnard | Dave Malakar |

David Mass, from the fire department, answered questions clarifying the room occupancy issue.

**43. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Graduations were wonderful and speeches were beautiful
2. School Government needs to set meeting date
3. The Board thanked Mindy Moss for her efforts to make Project Graduation a hugh success.
4. Sports Committee needs to set a meeting date
5. Polled attendance for the July 23<sup>rd</sup> Board Meeting
6. Public Relations needs to set a meeting date

**44. 2<sup>nd</sup> PUBLIC SESSION (9:23-9:24 PM reopened by President for a member of the public)**

The following member of the public had a question regarding school schedules at FMG and JDHS:

Risa Yesowitz

**45. OLD BUSINESS**

Dr. Hollander requested reports on committee meetings and cabinet reports.

**45. CLOSED SESSION (9:39 PM)**

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia to extend the meeting past 11:00 PM and 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 pubic 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

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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

Dr. Hollander left meeting at 9:39 PM after the vote.

46. CLOSED CONFERENCE ITEMS

1. Legal
2. Personnel
3. Negotiations

47. RECONVENE (11:34 PM)

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

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

48. ADJOURNMENT (11:34 PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Delia, to adjourn the meeting at 11:34 PM.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

Next Regular July 23, 2007 at 7:30 PM in the IMC at JDHS.

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Matthew A. Clarke  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary