

SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Springfield, New Jersey
REGULAR MEETING APRIL 20, 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 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, April 20, 2009 at 7:20 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 21, 2008.

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, Mr. Jeff Strumpf, Mrs. Patricia Venezia, Mr. Anthony Delia

Absent: Dr. David Hollander

Also

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

2. CLOSED SESSION (7:21-7:33 PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, 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 matters protected by Attorney/Client privilege and Superintendent's Evaluation 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

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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.”

Closed Conference Items

1. Matters protected by Attorney/Client privilege
2. Superintendent Evaluation

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

3. RECONVENE

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. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5. COMMUNICATIONS

1. NJSBA *Delegate Assembly* is May 16th at 9:00 AM at the Wyndham Conference Center in Plainsboro, NJ.
2. UCSBA is accepting applications through April 22, 2009 for *County Officers* for the 2009-2010 school year.
3. UCSBA *Annual Spring Meeting* May 13th at 7:00 PM in the Clark auditorium.
4. Reminder - School Tax Levy to be raised for the 2009-10 Budget and Board member election is tomorrow, April 21st. Polls are open from 2:00 PM – 9:00 PM.
5. Received a letter from Mr. Eisenberg seeking donations to the *Anthony of Padua* (gifts for under privileged children).
6. A note of thanks from Marlene Moskowitz for her retirement gift.

6. MINUTES

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

Executive Meeting	- March 16, 2009
Regular Meeting	- March 23, 2009
Executive Meeting	- March 23, 2009
Special Meeting (Public Hearing)	- March 31, 2009

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

Abstention: Mr. Jeff Strumpf

Nays: Mr. Andrew Fekete

7. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

1. Senior, Jacqueline Kyzynski, was recognized for her outstanding academic and basketball achievements.
2. Reiterated our hope for a successful budget vote on Tuesday.

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8. PUBLIC SESSION (7:38 PM)

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

9. CANCELLATION OF COMMERCE PAYROLL CHECKS

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, to approve cancellation of the attached outstanding checks beginning September 28, 2007 through September 29, 2008. (Attachment A)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

10. BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, to approve the Board Secretary's Report dated February 28, 2009 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. Shanes, to approve the Treasurer's Report dated February 28, 2009 and 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. Shanes, approval of the transfer of funds from and to the following line item accounts as designated. (Attachment B)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

13. LEGAL CERTIFICATION

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, 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 February 28, 2009 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

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14. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES CONTRIBUTION

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, approval of the following resolution regarding the districts PERS Pension Obligation for 2008-09:

RESOLUTION ON PERS PENSION OBLIGATION DEFERRAL

WHEREAS, the Legislature passed and the Governor signed S-15 as Chapter 22, P.L. 2009 that reduces the State Aid for the Springfield school district for the 2008-2009 school by an amount approximating \$117,583;

AND WHEREAS, the Legislature passed and the Governor signed S-21 as Chapter 19, P.L. 2009 that provides school districts with two options concerning their obligation to pay the Public Employees Retirement System, namely payment in full by April 30, 2009, or payment of one-half of the pension obligation by April 30, 2009;

AND WHEREAS, payment of one-half of the pension obligation requires the district to apply for a deferral schedule which will start in April 2012 and continue for 15 years to repay the deferred portion to the retirement system;

AND WHEREAS, deferred payments are subject to normal actuarial growth on accrued liabilities of the pension system, which most recently was a rate of 8.25%;

AND WHEREAS, the School Business Administrator has reviewed the cash flow needs of the Springfield school district, the surplus balance position of the district, and the impact of the deferral on future budgets if the district should elect to take the deferral or reject the deferral;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED by the Springfield Board of Education that it hereby rejects the offer of a deferral by the New Jersey Public Employees Retirement System and authorizes the School Business Administrator to pay the 2009 PERS pension obligation in full before April 30, 2009.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

15. PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Mrs. Shanes, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, 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

16. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAVEL

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

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

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17. SPECIAL SERVICES PLACEMENT AND RELATED SERVICES

Moved by Mrs. Shanes, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education approve the attached Special Education request for Related Services/Placements for the 2008 - 2009 school year. (Attachment E)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

18. OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP

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

- Peer Leader – Stoney Acres, University Center – East Stroudsburg, PA (April 30 – May 1, 2009)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

19. STUDENT TEACHERS

Moved by Mrs. Shanes, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, to approve the attached list of Student Teachers for the 2009 – 2010 school year. (Attachment G)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

20. TUITION AID GRANTS

Moved by Mrs. Shanes, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, 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 H)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

21. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT 2009-2010

Moved by Mrs. Shanes, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, approval of the District 2009-2010 Professional Development Plan.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

22. UNUSED SNOW DAY

Moved by Mrs. Shanes, seconded by Mr. Sablosky, approval to designate May 22, 2009, schools closed due to not having to utilize the one emergency day remaining. If the day is necessary from April 21, 2009 and May 21, 2009, then the day will return to a regular day as describe on the 2008 - 09 school calendar

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

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23. WALTON PLAYGROUND DONATION

Moved by Mrs. Shanes, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, to approval to accept the following donation to be utilized in the Springfield School District for the purpose of:

<u>Company/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Worth (less than \$500/more than \$500)</u>
1. Walton PTA (Donation for a 2 nd playground at Walton \$83,000)	Walton Playground	More than \$500

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

24. 2nd PUBLIC SESSION (7:52 PM)

There were no comments from the public at this time.

25. 3rd PUBLIC SESSION (7:54 - 8:03 PM)

The following members of the public had comments regarding a board election email from an individual in the community:

Steve Wolcott

26. NEW BUSINESS

a. Gaudineer will hosted a ‘Coffee/Tea’ with the Principal this morning featuring *Kidtech*, a presentation that will be share with the State Department of Education tomorrow, April 21st.

b. Good luck to all candidates in tomorrow’s election, and please don’t forget to vote on the tax levy supporting the 2009-10 Budget.

27. CLOSED SESSION (8:10 – 10:37 PM)

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:

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2. Superintendent Evaluation

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

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28. RECONVENE

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

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

29. RESCIND SEC MOTION (March 16, 2009)

Moved by Mr. Sablosky, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, at the recommendation of the Superintendent, and in the best interest of the school district, the Board rescinds resolution preferring ethics charges against Jeff Strumpf, approved by the Board of Education on March 16, 2009.

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

MOTION CARRIED

30. 2nd NEW BUSINESS

a. Whenever possible, Board committees should meet before passing new motion/resolution

31. ADJOURNMENT (10:45 PM)

Moved by Miss Duke, seconded by Mrs. Venezia, to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 PM.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

Upcoming Meetings:

1. Board of Education Election – April 21, 2009 Polls open 2:00 – 9:00 PM
2. Re-organization Meeting – April 27, 2009 at 7:30 PM in the IMC at JDHS
3. Regular Meeting – April 27, 2009 at 7:30 PM in the IMC at JDHS

Matthew A. Clarke
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

**SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
 CANCELATION OF OUTSTANDING CHECKS**

DATE	CHECK#	AMOUNT	VENDOR
<u>P/R</u>			
9/28/07	49582	\$ 345.98	F. Tawfik
10/15/07	49941	\$ 660.37	F. Tawfik
2/22/08	53720	\$ 123.47	S. Balasic
2/22/08	53743	\$1,030.53	T. Gutierrez
2/22/08	53744	\$ 635.90	D. Hardin
2/22/08	53779	\$ 1.44	R. Slate
6/19/08	56885	\$ 977.24	M. Abbate
9/29/08	58408	\$ 81.39	L. Reich
TOTAL AMOUNT		\$3,856.32	

SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
LINE ITEM TRANSFERS
FEBRUARY 2009

ATTACHMENT (B)

From Account	To Account	Amount
11-402-100-610-46-14 ATHLETIC SUPL	11-000-100-566-98-11 TUITION PRIV HAND	\$30,000.00
11-000-291-270-97-03 HEALTH INSUR	11-000-213-300-70-11 HEALTH SEV SP THER	\$27,000.00
11-000-262-300-95-05 PUR PROF TECH SERV	11-000-222-600-93-15 INST SOFTWR TECH	\$3,100.00
11-000-291-270-97-03 HEALTH INSUR	11-000-230-820-97-03 JUDGMENTS DEREG	\$50,000.00
11-000-270-162-96-10 SAL TO & FROM	11-000-270-519-96-03 AID IN LIEU	\$17,500.00
11-000-262-620-95-01 GAS OIL VECH	11-000-270-600-96-03 TRANS FUEL	\$1,200.00
11-000-100-565-98-11 TUIT CSSD REG DAY	11-150-100-320-63-11 HOME INSTRUCTION	\$5,200.00

**Springfield Public Schools
Personnel**

Attachment (C)

Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Guide/Step	Salary	Replacement/ Renewal/New	Additional Information	Effective Date
<i>Certificated</i>								
Roberti	Carolyn	F&CS	JDHS	----	----	----	Retirement	June 30, 2009
Stark	Catherine	Leave Replacement	Walton	Step 0/BA	\$49,550.00	Cover for G.L.	Pro-rated	1/20/09-5/1/09
Gabriel	Leonard	ESY Director	District	----	70.00/hr	----	up to 54 hours	7/21/09-8/12/09
Buban	Julie	ESY Nurse	District	----	47.74/hr	----	up to 10 hours	7/21/09-7/24/09
Graham	Roxanne	ESY Nurse	District	----	47.74/hr	----	up to 30 hours	7/27/09-8/12/09
Florio	Marie	Sprout Teacher	District	----	47.74/hr	----	up to 50 hours	7/1/09-8/12/09
Gardner	Geri	LLD Teacher	District	----	47.74/hr	----	up to 40 hours	7/1/09-8/12/09
Hofman	Veronica	Reading Teacher	District	----	47.74/hr	----	up to 90 hours	7/1/09-8/12/09
Maul	Teri	Sprout Teacher	District	----	47.74/hr	----	up to 90 hours	7/1/09-8/12/09
Rousso	Regine	Psychologist	District	----	47.74/hr	----	Per IEP requirements	6/22/09-8/12/09
Black	Patricia	LDTC	District	----	47.74/hr	----	Per IEP requirements	6/22/09-8/12/09
Westhead	Mary Elizabeth	Psychologist	District	----	47.74/hr	----	Per IEP requirements	6/22/09-8/12/09
Pietruszki	Sarah	Speech Therapist	District	----	47.74/hr	----	Per IEP requirements	6/22/09-8/12/09
Campbell	John	Social Worker	District	----	47.74/hr	----	Per IEP requirements	6/22/09-8/12/09
Stark	Catherine	ABA Therapist	District	----	100.00/hr	----	Per IEP requirements	6/22/09-8/12/09
Samons	Wes	ABA Therapist	District	----	55.00/hr	----	Per IEP requirements	6/22/09-8/12/09

Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Guide/Step	Salary	Renewal/New	Additional Information	Effective Date
<i>Non-Certificated</i>								
Kukis	John	Cusodian	District	----	----	----	resignation	April 21, 2009
Hahn	Sheila	Transport Coordinator	District	----	----	----	retirement	October 1, 2009
Signorelli	Kathy	Chaperone	JDHS	*	24.40/hour	----	----	1/2/09-6/30/09
Cohen	Fran	ESY Aide	District	----	15.67/hr	----	up to 60 hours	7/1/09-8/12/09
Santos	Linda	ESY Aide	District	----	15.67/hr	----	up to 90 hours	7/1/09-8/12/09
Medina	Susan	ESY Aide	District	----	14.87/hr	----	up to 60 hours	7/1/09-8/12/09
Shields	Debbie	ESY Aide	District	----	15.27/hr	----	up to 60 hours	7/1/09-8/12/09
Walsh	Mary	ESY Aide	District	----	14.87/hr	----	up to 90 hours	7/1/09-8/12/09
Parascevia	Natalie	ESY Aide	District	----	14.87/hr	----	up to 90 hours	7/1/09-8/12/09
Colandrea	Ronnie	ESY Aide	District	----	15.67/hr	----	up to 37.5 hours	7/1/09-8/12/09

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Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Guide/Step	Salary	Replacement/ Renewal/New	Additional Information	Effective Date
<i>Substitute/Home instructor</i>								
Gray	Janet	Substitute Teacher	District	****	****	New	----	4/21/09-6/30/09
Lieberman	Robert	Substitute Teacher	District	****	****	Renewal	----	4/21/09-6/30/09
Winter	Tyler	Substitute Teacher	District	****	****	New	----	4/21/09-6/30/09
Corigliano	Nicole	Substitute Aide	District	****	****	New	----	4/21/09-6/30/09
Dotoli	Craig	Substitute Aide	District	****	****	New	----	4/21/09-6/30/09
Dotoli	Justin	Substitute Aide	District	****	****	New	----	4/21/09-6/30/09
Guida	Lauren	Substitute Aide	District	****	****	New	----	4/21/09-6/30/09
Thiemer	Kathleen	Substitute Aide	District	****	****	New	----	4/21/09-6/30/09
Voremberg	Ilana	Substitute Aide	District	****	****	New	----	4/21/09-6/30/09
Galindo	Cecilia	ESY Sub Aide	District	----	15.67/hr	----	----	7/1/09-8/12/09
Genovese	Donna	ESY Sub Aide	District	----	14.87/hr	----	----	7/1/09-8/12/09
Schachtel	Lori	ESY Sub Aide	District	----	14.87/hr	----	----	7/1/09-8/12/09
Colandrea	Ronnie	ESY Sub Aide	District	----	15.67/hr	----	----	7/1/09-8/12/09

Last Name	First Name	Position	Location	Guide/Step	Salary	Renewal/New	Information	Effective Date
<i>Before and After School Program</i>								

* In accordance with the Negotiated Contract between the Springfield BOE and the Springfield Education Association (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2010)

**** Special Salaries, Compensation and Fees 2008 - 2009

**Workshop Requests
2008 - 2009**

Attachment (D)

Lname	Fname	Description	Date	Amount	Location
Cresci	Elizabeth	NJPSA Legislative Conf.	4/24/09	16.00	JD
Gabriel	Leonard	Power of Art Workshop	4/30 & 5/1/09	236.00	Dist
Medina	Suzanne	Afterschool Showcase Workshop	5/19/09	38.00	EVW
Plias	Michael	NJPSA/FEA Assistant Principal Workshop	5/22/09	135.00	FMG
Vaccarino	Leslie	Section 504 Practical Tips	5/11/09	27.00	Dist

**Special Education Request
Related Services/OOD Placements**

Attachment (E)

1. RELATED SERVICES REQUEST					
<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Related Service</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Hours/days/weeks</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Student</u>
Trinitas Therapy Services Cranford, NJ	OT and PT Services	\$78/Hr.	per IEP	July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010	Various
Summit Speech School New Providence, NJ	Itinerant Services	\$140/Hr.	per IEP	08 - 09 SY	0407
Susan Tennant Westfield, NJ	C.S.T. Learning Consultant	\$310/Case	per IEP	08 - 09 SY	
Marietta Esposito Peskin Springfield, NJ	C.S.T. Learning Consultant	\$310/Case	per IEP	08 - 09 SY	
Union County Ed Services Commission Westfield, NJ	C.S.T. Learning Consultant	\$310/Case	per IEP	08 - 09 SY	
2. OUT OF DISTRICT PLACEMENT REQUEST					
<u>School/Placement</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Tuition</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Comments</u>	
The CTC Center Budd Lake, NJ	1919	\$3,986.25	7/1/09-8/31/09	Tuition	
		\$450.00	7/1/09-8/31/09	Speech Therapy	
		\$225.00	7/1/09-8/31/09	Occupational Therapy	

Student Teachers 2009-2010 School Year

Student Teacher: **Jennifer Kaminski**
College: Rutgers Univ.
Assigned to: Jonathan Dayton HS
Assignment Date: Sept. 8 thru Dec. 2009
Cooperating Teacher: Mary Cokeing

Student Teacher: **Carol Wlazlowski**
College: Kean Univ.
Assigned to: Caldwell School
Assignment Date: Sept. 8 thru Dec. 2009
Cooperating Teacher: Patti Lynn

**TUITION GRANT RESUBMISSIONS
Summer/Fall 2009-10**

Substitute(s) Courses for Previously Approved Courses

<u>Name</u>	<u>Substitute Course(s)</u>	<u>Level</u>
Steven Griffiths	The Kinesthetic Classroom: Teaching and Learning Through Movement	Graduate <i>No reimbursement – for credit only</i>

3/2/09 BOE Meeting