

SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Springfield, New Jersey

PUBLIC HEARING MARCH 28, 2011

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 28, 2011 at 7:10 PM.

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 March 22, 2011.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Mr. Irwin Sablosky

Present: Mr. Anthony Delia, Mr. Brian Kass, Mrs. Jacqueline Shanes,  
Mr. Scott Silverstein, Mrs. Patricia Venezia, Mr. Steven Wolcott,  
Mr. Irwin Sablosky

Absent: Mr. Andrew Fekete, Mr. Jeff Strumpf

Also

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC SESSION ( 7:11 PM)

There were no comments from the public at this time.

4. PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Davino and Mr. Clarke presented the 2011-12 Proposed Tentative Budget.  
(proposed budget is also available on the District webpage)

5. PUBLIC SESSION (8:03-8:11 PM)

The following members of the public had questions or comments regarding the 2010-11 proposed tentative budget:

Miss Linda Duke  
Mrs. Mary McElroy  
Mrs. Kristen Schactner

6. 2011-2012 SCHOOL BUDGET

Moved by Mr. Delia, seconded by Mr. Silverstein, approval of the Proposed Budget for the 2011-2012 school year in the amount of \$35,330,950 with the district tax requirement of \$32,411,045 to be placed on the ballot at the Annual School Election to be held on Wednesday, April 27, 2011. (Attachment A)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

7. TRAVEL AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

Moved by Mr. Delia, seconded by Mrs. Shanes, that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution regarding travel and expense reimbursement for Board and Staff members during the 2011-12. (Attachment A1)

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

8. PUBLIC SESSION (8:13 – 8:17 PM)

The following members of the public had questions or comments regarding Aide in Lieu:

- Mrs. Mary McElroy regarding a copy of a letter she had in her possession dated March 25, 2011 from Acting Education Commissioner Christopher Cerf to the Superintendent of Schools
- Mrs. Patty Boyle concerning original Aide in Lieu letter received during the summer

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. West Side Story will be presented on March 31<sup>st</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> show time is 7:30 PM.
- b. Taste of the Towns, sponsored by the Rotary, was successful again this year and will benefit our scholarship fund.
- c. Sandmeier will be hosting their Spring Fling on Thursday April 7<sup>th</sup>.
- d. The PTSO of Dayton was thanked for their donation of the Electronic Marquee Sign in the front of the school.
- e. A brief School Government committee meeting immediately following this meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT (8:20 PM)

Moved by Mrs. Shanes, seconded by Mr. Delia to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 PM.

Yeas: Unanimous by all Members present.

MOTION CARRIED

Upcoming Meetings:

1. Regular Meeting – April 4, 2011 at 7:30 PM in the IMC at JDHS
2. School Board Election – April 27, 2011 (2:00 PM – 9:00 PM)

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Matthew A. Clarke  
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

RESOLUTION FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE 2011 – 2012 SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BUDGET AND TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, the Springfield Board of Education adopted a tentative budget on February 28, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was advertised in the legal section of the Local Source on March 24, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Budget for General Funds shall be \$33,668,856 which \$32,411,045 shall be raised by local tax levy; and

WHEREAS, the Total Budget shall be \$35,330,950 of which \$33,518,520 shall be raised by local tax levy;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Springfield Board of Education hereby adopts the 2011 – 2012 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 27, 2011.

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 \$32,411,045 for the ensuing School Year 2011 – 2012.

**Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement  
2011-2012**

WHEREAS, the Springfield Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, a Board of Education may establish, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of \$150 per staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

WHEREAS, travel and related expenses not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq., but deemed by the Board of Education to be necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves all travel not in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.1 et seq. as being necessary and unavoidable as noted on the approved Board of Education Out of District Travel and Reimbursement Forms; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(b), to a maximum expenditure of \$50,504 for all staff and board members.