



SPRING LAKE PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT 16

District Services Center
1415 81ST Avenue NE
Spring Lake Park, MN 55432

Minutes of the Board Work Session School Board, Independent School District 16 Spring Lake Park, Minnesota Tuesday, July 13, 2010 – 6:30 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER: 6:35 p.m.

Chairperson Vranish called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

The following School Board members were present: Chairperson Colleen Vranish, Vice Chairperson John Stroebel, Treasurer Marilyn Forsberg, Clerk Annette Winrick, Director Gary Brisbin, Director Kelly Delfs, Director Jodi Ruch, and ex-officio Superintendent Dr. Jeff Ronneberg.

The following School Board members were absent: none.

B. AGENDA APPROVAL

Chairperson Vranish noted no changes to the agenda,
Motion by Forsberg, seconded by Brisbin, motion carried unanimously.

C. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. School Board Agenda Format

Communication to the School Board and Administration

Chairperson Vranish reviewed the potential changes to the School Board Agenda with the "Communication to the School Board and Administration" being added prior to the Regular Meetings of the School Board. The School Board has been considering and reviewing this change over the course of a number of months and Board Work Sessions. Chairperson Vranish noted that she and Vice Chairperson Stroebel, Superintendent Ronneberg, Director of Communications Jim Elert, and Executive Assistant Deb Hoyhtya met last week to review the potential School Board communications addition to allow for more open communication with the School Board as well as follow-up/clarification for community members from the Administration and School Board. This communication vehicle would allow for community members, staff, and/or students to come before the School Board to share information in a more informal venue (not on television). This format would be similar to the previous "Community Connections" the School Board had tried previously. Chairperson Vranish added that a potential name addition of "Public" to the "Communication to the School Board and Administration" was being considered.

Superintendent Ronneberg noted this form of communication would allow follow-up from the School Board through immediate interaction with the public by administration available at the meeting. Communication of this new format will be added to various communications through the District website and District calendar.

Board Treasurer Forsberg reviewed an alternative of the potential "sign-up" sheet with the addition of sign-up cards. The cards are utilized by the East Metro Integration District Board of which she is a member. The cards would allow for review of the topic and individual recognition by the School Board.

Change in "Discussion, Reports, Information Items" School Board Agenda

Superintendent Ronneberg reviewed the agenda change to include Spring Lake Park School District 16's alignment of strategic plan and direction. The change of format will allow for identification of presentations and aligning them with the strategic plan/direction rather than to a person. The

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presentation would be listed following the strategic direction/alignment, and then the person presenting would be identified. School Board members noted their approval of this change.

2. Proposed School Board Meeting Schedule 2010-11

Superintendent Ronneberg reviewed the proposed School Board meeting calendar dates for 2010-11. He requested the School Board consider a date change in August for the School Board Work Session and Regular Meeting due to an invitation he received to be a part of a 15 member panel in Washington D.C. to review a nation-wide Principals' Academy on the same date (August 17) as the proposed August School Board meeting. Superintendent Ronneberg noted the benefits for the District of participating in the panel discussion and that there would be no cost to the District.

Superintendent Ronneberg requested the School Board consider Thursday, August 19, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. as a School Board Work Session, and Tuesday, August 24, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. for the August meeting dates. Action on these dates would be taken by the School Board at their Regular Meeting (following the Work Session).

3. Other: None.

D. ADJOURNMENT: 6:58 p.m.

Chairperson requested a motion to adjourn the Board Work Session.
Motion by Delfs, seconded by Brisbin, motion carried unanimously.

Date

Annette Winrick, Clerk
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