

**SPRINGPORT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021**

The January 11, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order virtually via Zoom format at 7:00 p.m. by President David Lightner followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present (virtually): David Lightner, Jeff Caudill, Elliott Cook, Pam Parish, Granville Hayworth, Crystal Nowery and Chris Talbot

Administrative members present: Randy Cook, Branden Hand, Tammy Kuntz, Tanya Newland, Chris Kregel, Shelly Mead and Jenny Dysert

Visitors (Virtual): Kerry Warren, Beth Brasseur, Missy Keeler and Jeff Saunders

Motion by Trustee Talbot, Support by Trustee Parish, to approve the agenda as presented.

**Roll Call Vote: JC – aye, EC – aye, GH – aye, CN – aye, PP – aye, CT – aye and DL -- aye  
Motion Carried, 7-0.**

Motion by Vice President Caudill, Support by Trustee Talbot, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- Regular Meeting Minutes of Monday, December 14, 2020
- Special Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, December 22, 2020
- General Fund Bills of \$ 710,111.36
- Hot Lunch Bills of \$ 66,028.99

**Roll Call Vote: JC – aye, EC – aye, GH – aye, CN – aye, PP – aye, CT – aye and DL -- aye  
Motion Carried, 7-0.**

High School Principal Chris Kregel referred board members to his report and went on to spotlight the progress they had made with students who had fallen behind towards the end of the first semester – positive movement had been made with respect to their final first semester grades.

Middle School Principal Tanya Newland went over the report she had provided to the school board members. She then gave a shout out to Transportation Supervisor Shelly Mead and her bus drivers for the picking up and dropping off of the students they had who needed face to face learning during the virtual mandate.

Elementary Principal Tammy Kuntz referred board members to her report and took questions from the board members.

Interim Superintendent Cook referred members to the finance report prepared by Business Manager Melissa Butler and took questions from the board members.

Motion by Trustee Talbot, Support by Secretary Cook, to approve the resignation/retirement for Lorna Porter effective June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 with appreciation for her 30 years of service to the Springport Elementary students.

**Roll Call Vote: JC – aye, EC – aye, GH – aye, CN – aye, PP – aye, CT – aye and DL -- aye**

**Motion Carried, 7-0.**

Motion by Trustee Talbot, Support by Trustee Parish, to approve a \$3,500 stipend in June to each building principal for their work with the Interim Superintendent during the transition to the next Springport Superintendent.

**Roll Call Vote: JC – aye, EC – aye, GH – aye, CN – aye, PP – aye, CT – aye and DL -- aye**

**Motion Carried, 7-0.**

January 11<sup>th</sup>'s Monthly Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan Review was gone over and discussed.

The annual education report (AER) was discussed. It is a report designed to meet federal requirements of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) in reporting on performance for the most recently completed school year to parents and community members. The 2020-2021 AER's are based on data from the 2019-20 school year. All local educational agencies (LEA's) are required to report their 2019-2020 performance. If used as designed, this is how Michigan schools and LEA's will meet the requirements of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and State law, Act 451, P.A. 1976 (and P.A. 25). There is a combined report for the district as well as each school. They will be posted on the district and buildings' websites along with a cover letter addressing all of the requirements. We will work to have this completed by the end of January and board members will be alerted when the report is posted to the website.

Snow days were discussed for the district. Interim Superintendent Cook let the assembly know that if roads are unsafe, we will have a closure for the entire district versus a virtual day of learning. Going virtual will be feasible if we can provide quality instruction by pre-planning – such as a forecasted weather advisory.

A date was set for beginning the Superintendent search. There will be a meeting with the representative from MLI (Michigan Leadership Institute) John Silveri, on Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. It will be determined if it has to be a Zoom (virtual) meeting.

Vice President Caudill motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 pm.

**Motion Carried.**

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