

**SPRINGPORT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021**

The May 17, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President David Lightner followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

Visitors: Jeff Saunders, Kim Freitas, Terry & Sally Sedlar

Motion by Trustee Talbot, Support by Secretary Cook, to approve the agenda as presented. Discussion took place as two items were requested to be added to the agenda.

Motion by Trustee Talbot, Support by Secretary Cook, to approve the agenda adding item d. under VI. Reports: Buildings and Grounds Report and Action Item 11. Early Impressions

Motion Carried, all Ayes.

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Motion by Secretary Cook, Support by Trustee Parish, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- Regular Meeting Minutes of Monday, April 19, 2021
- Special Meeting Minutes of Monday, April 19, 2021
- General Fund Bills of \$ 625,793.74
- Hot Lunch Bills of \$ 47,928.68

Motion Carried, all Ayes.

There was a Citizen Wishing to Address the Board: Terry Sadler

The protocol was read aloud by Secretary Cook. Terry spoke to the board expressing his desire to finish strong as one of the Superintendent candidates chosen to return for a second interview. He expressed his appreciation for the opportunity and divulged the events that took place prohibiting him from attending the second interview.

President Lightner introduced College and Career Access Center's Executive Director Nancy Peters-Lewis to the assembly. Nancy gave the history of how they had started and grew. It is their goal to be in all of the Jackson County schools working directly with/under the high school counselors as a team of advisors to the students a day and a half every week. She went on to explain the TIP or Tuition Incentive Program. She then took questions from the audience.

Secretary Cook gave a report on the Personnel Committee meeting that had taken place prior to tonight's board meetings. We are now working with Early Impressions to see what the possibilities are for them to take over our GSRP classroom and Spartan Den.

Vice President Caudill gave a report from the Building and Grounds Committee. Springport High School will be receiving an electronic sign donated by Biggby Coffee (Randy and Brandy Neelis).

High School Principal Chris Kregel was asked to report to the assembly. He referred board members to the report in their packets and touched on a few items including senior portfolios (which had taken place during the school day today) and summer school. He took questions from the board.

Middle School Principal Tanya Newland highlighted parts of her report to the board members and took questions.

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

Superintendent Cook referred board member to the financial report from Business Manager Melissa Butler.

The board took a short recess at 7:44 pm – reconvening at 7:45 pm.

Motion by Trustee Talbot, Support by Vice President Caudill, to adopt the resolution of the Jackson County Intermediate School District 2021-2022 budget as received, reviewed and proposed in accordance with Section 624 of the Revised School Code and by the adoption of this resolution expressing its support for the proposed 2021-2022 budget.

Roll Call Vote:

JC – aye, EC – aye, GH – aye, CN – aye, PP – aye, CT – aye, DL – aye

Motion Carried, 7-0.

Motion by Secretary Cook, Support by Trustee Parish, to designate Chris Talbot as the representative of the Springport Board of Education for the JCISD Electoral Body. Discussion took place as the original motion was amended.

Motion by Secretary Cook, Support by Trustee Parish, to designate Chris Talbot as the representative and Jeff Caudill as the alternate representative of the Springport Board of Education for the JCISD Electoral Body.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

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Motion by Trustee Nowery, Support by Vice President Caudill, to identify Georgia Fojtasek as the Springport Board's four-year candidate for the JCISD Board.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Secretary Cook, Support by Vice President Caudill, to approve the resolution as read by the Board Secretary.

Roll Call Vote:

JC – aye, EC – aye, GH – aye, CN – aye, PP – aye, CT – aye, DL – aye

Motion Carried, 7-0.

Motion by Vice President Caudill, Support by Trustee Parish, to participate in Schools of Choice (105/105C) for the 2021-2022 school year to the extent we have space available.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Trustee Talbot, Support by Trustee Nowery, to approve the resolution that Springport School elects to pay not more than 80% of the cost for all medical benefit plans it offers as contributed to the employees as presented. Some discussion took place as board members asked for clarification.

Roll Call Vote:

JC – aye, EC – aye, GH – aye, CN – aye, PP – aye, CT – aye, DL – aye

Motion Carried, 7-0.

Motion by Trustee Nowery, Support by Trustee Parish, to approve the 2021-2022 school calendar as presented.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Vice President Caudill, Support by Secretary Cook, to approve Neola Policies: 1422, 1623, 1662, 2260, 3122, 3123, 3362, 4122, 4123, 4362, 5517, 2260.01, 2266, 5341, 5342, 5343, 7440, 7440.01, 8321, 8330, 8400, 8500, 8510, 6114, 6325, 7450 and 7455 as presented. Discussion took place as Treasurer Hayworth expressed he would stand by comments made during last meeting.

Motion Carried, 6-1.

Motion by Trustee Parish, Support by Secretary Cook, to approve the contract of Shelly Mead, Springport Transportation Director as presented. Discussion took place as board members expressed their thanks and appreciation of Shelly.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Trustee Parish, Support by Trustee Talbot, to approve the contract for Missy Keeler, Athletic Director as presented. Discussion took place as board members expressed thanks for her amazing work.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Trustee Talbot, Support by Secretary Cook, to approve Kimberly Freitas as an Elementary Teacher for the 2021-2022 school year in accordance with all local and state statutes and the SEA Agreement. Discussion took place as Ms. Freitas was introduced to the audience.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Trustee Nowery, Support by Vice President Caudill, to approve the Regular Behavior Interventionists Contract as presented.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Vice President Caudill, Support by Secretary Cook, to move to closed session at 8:09 pm for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations.

Roll Call Vote:

JC – aye, EC – aye, GH – aye, CN – aye, PP – aye, CT – aye, DL – aye

Motion Carried, 7-0.

Motion by Secretary Cook, Support by Vice President Caudill, to re-enter regular session at 8:15 pm.

Roll Call Vote:

JC – aye, EC – aye, GH – aye, CN – aye, PP – aye, CT – aye, DL – aye

Motion Carried, 7-0.

Motion by Vice President Caudill, Support by Secretary Cook, to ratify the contract agreement

reached between the Board of Education and the Springport Education Association for the term of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022 as presented.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Secretary Cook, Support by Vice President Caudill, to approve the expenditure of up to \$35,000 from Food Service to purchase a cargo vehicle for Food Service use. Some discussion took place as ideas of where to purchase the vehicle from were put forward.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Secretary Cook, Support by Vice President Caudill, to engage Early Impressions for all GSRP needs contingent upon having a suitable contract. Discussion took place as this original motion was amended.

Motion by Secretary Cook, Support by Vice President Caudill, to engage Early Impressions for all GSRP and tuition paid Preschool and Daycare needs providing a satisfactory contract may be reached.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

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Interim Superintendent Cook discussed how one of the County National Bank account signers is a former Board President and is now being removed off the account. Current Board President, David Lightner, will be added to the account signatures moving forward.

Interim Superintendent Cook reminded the whole assembly that this year's graduation date will be Friday, June 4th at 6:30 pm outside at the football stadium with a rain date of Saturday, June 5th at 2:00 pm inside the high school gym.

Interim Superintendent Cook discussed how he had received and accepted a letter of resignation from Spartan Den Manager Becky Todd. Her last day for the district will be May 28th, 2021.

President Lightner discussed a date change for the June Regular Board Meeting and the Special Budget Hearing. The change date of Tuesday, June 29th, 2021 will be posted.

Interim Superintendent Cook discussed the changed date of the Special Hearing and that it would be posted this week for next Monday night.

Vice President Caudill motioned, Support by Secretary Cook, to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 pm.

Motion Carried.
