

**SPRINGPORT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2021**

The December 13th, 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, Alyse Rainey and Chris Talbot

Administrative members present: Christie Robinson, Tammy Kuntz, Tanya Newland, Chris Kregel, Missy Keeler, Shelly Mead and Jenny Dysert

Visitors: Melissa & Charlie Westcott, Kerri Kulas, Susan Fritz, Nickolas Scott and Annette Miller

Motion by Vice President Caudill, Support by Secretary Cook, to approve the agenda as presented. Discussion took place as Action Item #4 was added allowing for entering into Closed Session for the Superintendent's Evaluation.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Secretary Cook, Support by Vice President Caudill, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- Special Meeting Minutes of Monday, November 15, 2021
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Monday, November 15, 2021
- General Fund Bills of \$ 973,961.30
- Hot Lunch Bills of \$ 120,228.22

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Susan Fritz had filled out a form to address the board. She spoke on the issue of her 4th grade son being bullied.

President Lightner introduced Food Service Director Jeff Brenner to the audience. Jeff presented a plan to spend down the food service budget by redesigning the high school & elementary cafeteria for a better flow pattern. The main vendor would be HPS. He took questions from board members and will be sitting back down with HPS to finalize their quotation and lead times. He will present to the Building & Grounds Committee in January.

High School Principal Chris Kregel referred board members to his report. He briefly touched on his bullet points and took questions from the board members.

Middle School Principal Tanya Newland spoke on the highlights of her report and took questions from board members.

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

Finance Manager Melissa Butler addressed the assembly and spoke about the percentages in her

report. She took questions from the board members.

Trustee Chris Talbot reported on the JCASB meeting that had taken place the previous Saturday. She thanked two of the board members for attending with her and let the assembly know that there will be a dinner for all county board members at JCISD on February. They will be discussing programs that are available for all Jackson County students.

Secretary Cook reported on the Personnel Committee meeting from December 9th. They had discussed staffing levels in all buildings. They had gone over numbers of substitutes for teachers as well as bus drivers and possible position changes for the custodian/maintenance department as well.

Treasurer Hayworth reported on the Finance Committee meeting from December 6th. They had reviewed and discussed Transportation and Food Service contracts as well as touched on financial incentive for vaccination.

The board took a five minute recess at 7:42 pm and was back to order at 7:47 pm.

Motion by Vice President Caudill, Support by Trustee Nowery, to approve maternity leave for Emily Reidsma as presented.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Vice President Caudill, Support by Trustee Talbot, to approve vaccination incentive as presented. Discussion took place as Superintendent Robinson took questions from board members and offered explanation.

Motion by Vice President Caudill, Support by Secretary Cook, to amend the original motion by adding: Pending approval of the respective bargaining units.

Motion Carried, 6-1.

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Superintendent Robinson lead the discussion speaking on the resignations of elementary teachers Kelly Bordine and Becky O'Bryant, change of position by Laura Tenney into the vacated 2nd grade position (by Bordine), overnight trip proposal of the NJHS to a Leadership Retreat, looking into point-of-payment, thankful to the staff for filling in the gaps as people are out with illness and quarantine, looking at upcoming spending as buses are getting in shape for upcoming inspections and planning is going on for next bus purchase.

Motion by Secretary Cook, support by Vice President Caudill, to enter in to Closed Session at 8:05 pm for the purpose of the Superintendent evaluation.

Roll Call Vote: JC – aye, EC – aye, GH – aye, CN – aye, AR – aye, CT – aye, DL – aye

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Secretary Cook, Support by Vice President Caudill, to re-enter Open Session at 10:02 pm.

Roll Call Vote: JC – aye, EC – aye, GH – aye, CN – aye, AR – aye, CT – aye, DL – aye

Motion Carried, 7-0.

Motion by Trustee Nowery, Support by Secretary Cook, to approve the Superintendent's evaluation with a score of: 84% Effective. Discussion took place as it was noted: the "high end" of effective.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Trustee Nowery, Support by Vice President Caudill, to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 pm.

Motion Carried.

