SPRINGPORT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, September 21, 2015

The September 21, 2015, regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Craig Ward.

Members present: Julie Baglien, Rob Baum, Jeff Caudill, Linda Kubiak, David Lightner Eric Taylor, and Craig Ward.

Administrative members present: Randall Cook, Tanya Overweg, Chris Kregel, Janis Sanford, Pam Behling and Chris Talbot.

Motion by Treasurer Caudill, support by Member Lightner to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion Carried, all ayes.

Motion by Trustee Lightner, support by Treasurer Caudill to approve the consent agenda as presented.

\* Meeting Minutes of August 17, 2015

\* General Fund Bills of $ 390,695.67

\* Hot Lunch Bills of $ 3,347.62

**Motion Carried, all ayes.**

Secretary Baglien read a thank you from Mrs. Bartley, for the Food Service Department providing free lunches to children in the community this summer.

Each building principal was asked to provide a report on parent involvement in their respective buildings for the coming year. Elementary Principal Janis Sanford reviewed the Title I Parental Newsletter and the School Compact which lists duties and responsibilities of students, parents and staff. Secondary Administrator Chris Kregel reported on the buildings use of technology to get parents active and involved in students schoolwork. Social Media, including Face Book and Remind.Com were explained as ways to communicate and get parents involved.

Pam Behling, Business Manager, gave the financial report. Updates on the 2014-2015 audit included a report of a healthy fund balance for Food Service and the General Fund. Discussion was held on the summer lunch program and its success over the summer.

Superintendent Cook presented Principal Sanford’s recommendation to hire Jessica Stoker for the first grade position.

Motion by Member Lightner, support by Vice President Baum to hire Jessica Stoker as an elementary teacher in accordance with all local and state statutes and the SEA Master Agreement.

**Motion Carried, all ayes.**

Superintendent Cook presented Principal Kregel’s recommendation to hire Shelley Gibbs as part time art teacher.

Motion by Member Lightner, support by Secretary Baglien to hire Shelley Gibbs as a part time art teacher in accordance with all local and state statutes and the SEA Master Agreement.

M**otion Carried, all ayes.**

Superintendent Cook presented Athletic Director Clift’s letter of recommendation to hire Steve Keeler as a part time Cross Country Coach.

Motion by Treasurer Caudill, second by Trustee Lightner to hire Steve Keeler as Cross Country Coach at the rate of 1/3 of the SEA contract amount for this position.

**Motion Carried, all ayes.**

Superintendent Cook presented Resolution Age 21. This resolution would should the district’s support of a healthier life style for older children to restrict their use of tobacco products until age 21. Health Officers across the state are working to gather support for this nationwide initiative.

Motion by Secretary Baglien, second by Treasurer Caudill to approve the resolution supporting raising the minimum age of legal access to tobacco products in Michigan to age 21.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ms. Baglien, aye; Mr. Baum, aye; Mr. Caudill, aye; Ms. Kubiak, aye; Mr. Lightner, aye; Mr. Taylor, aye; Mr. Ward, aye. **Motion Carried, 7-0.**

President Ward shared for information the resignations of First grade teacher Cassady Brege, Art Teacher Jan Buchanan and Coach Steve Keeler. These resignations were accepted on behalf of the board by Superintendent Cook.

President Ward provided information on three overnight trip requests. The FFA is requesting permission to travel to the National Convention in Louisville Kentucky in October. The Wrestling Team submitted requests to travel to the State Wrestling Meet at Central Michigan University in February, if the team qualifies. Wrestling Coach Pratt also submitted a request for Individual State Qualifiers to travel to the Palace of Auburn Hills in March. Action on these trip requests will be made at the October meeting.

Superintendent Cook presented a common calendar for review for Jackson County Schools. The State has mandated an additional 5 class days to the 2016-2017 school year for students. The calendar is in the preliminary stages.

Motion by Trustee Lightner, seconded by Secretary Baglien to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

**Motion Carried, all ayes.**