

SPRING VALLEY COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT #99

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
KENNEDY LIBRARY, JOHN F. KENNEDY SCHOOL  
999 NORTH STRONG AVENUE, SPRING VALLEY, IL 61362  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024, 7:00 P.M.



MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

7:00 pm

Board of Education Members present Ted Urbanski, Lindsay Ferrari, Tina Pienta, Jim Faletti, Korby Kasperski and Nickie Olson. Lisa Ponce-Absent

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

MOTION by Pienta seconded by Kasperski that the Board of Education approve the Regular Meeting Agenda.

Roll Call: Pienta, Kasperski, Ferrari, Faletti, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

4. INTRODUCTION/RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

5. PUBLIC COMMENT, CORRESPONDENCE, & ANNOUNCEMENTS

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.1 Approval of January 17, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

6.2 Approval of the Financial Reports

6.3 Approval of the Treasurer's Report

6.4 Approval of District Bills

MOTION by Pienta seconded by Faletti that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda.

Roll Call: Pienta, Faletti, Ferrari, Kasperski, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

7. REPORTS, UPDATES & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

7.1 IASB Superintendent Search Update – Alan Mobly from IASB gave a presentation on the process for the Superintendent search and gave a time line.

7.2 Cash Flow & Budget Watch – We continue to closely watch the Ed. and Transportation funds.

7.3 First Reading of the Special Education Workload Plan – The SPED teachers requested three data preparation days. We checked with area schools and like the tiered system some schools have and the teachers did too. 1-6 caseload students = 1 data prep day; 7-12 caseload students = 2 data prep days; 13+ caseload students = 3 data prep days

7.4 2024-2025 Kindergarten Update – Kindergarten round-up will be on April 17<sup>th</sup>. We have 33 pre-k students that will be moving to kindergarten next year.

7.5 Coaches – Student – Staff Handbook Update – The last handbook meeting was held on February 14<sup>th</sup>. Ryan sent out the changes however we will be purchasing the IPA Model School Handbook and there will be more changes.

7.6 Assistant Principal's Report – We have a couple of assemblies scheduled with junior high students touching on mental health awareness. Junior High Showcase Night is on February 28<sup>th</sup>. The Scholastic Bowl season as started and volleyball is almost finished; regionals are this weekend and next.

7.7 Principal's Report- Healthy Minds Events; Assembly for 508 on February 27<sup>th</sup> and Family Night on March 13<sup>th</sup>. There will be Escape Room, Bingo and Zumba.

7.8 **Superintendent's Report** – We did not receive the grant for the ball fields. We will be replacing the LED light sin the building. Jim will have a timeline for that project soon.

## 8. ACTION ITEMS

### 8.1 **Approve the Addition of the Wildcatettes Program**

MOTION by Ferrari seconded by Pienta that the Board of Education approve the addition of the Wildcadettes Program.

Roll Call: Ferrari, Pienta, Faletti, Kasperski, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

### 8.2 **Approve Continuation of the 1:1 Apple Initiative in 6<sup>th</sup> Grade 2024-2025**

MOTION by Pienta seconded by Kasperski that the Board of Education approve continuation of the 1:1 Apple Initiative in 6<sup>th</sup> Grade 2024-2025.

Roll Call: Pienta, Kasperski, Ferrari, Faletti, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

### 8.3 **Approve 3-year Technology Lease with Hometown National Bank**

MOTION by Pienta seconded by Faletti that the Board of Education approve 3-year Technology Lease with Hometown National Bank.

Roll Call: Pienta, Faletti, Ferrari, Kasperski, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

### 8.4 **Increase Substitute Teacher Rate from \$100 to \$125**

MOTION by Ferrari seconded by Kasperski that the Board of Education increase Substitute Teacher Rate from \$100 to \$125.

Roll Call: Ferrari, Kasperski, Pienta, Faletti, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

### 8.5 **Approve a 3-Year Audit Agreement with Hopkins & Associates**

MOTION by Pienta seconded by Ferrari that the Board of Education approve a 3-year Audit Agreement with Hopkins & Associates.

Roll Call: Pienta, Ferrari, Faletti, Kasperski, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motioned carried.

### 8.6 **Approve Lowest Bid for Outdoor Classroom Canopy**

MOTION by Faletti seconded by Pienta that the Board of Education approve lowest vid for Outdoor Classroom Canopy.

Roll Call: Faletti, Pienta, Ferrari, Kasperski, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

## 9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION - Reference: 5 ILCS 120 (c) 1 & 14 [Review of closed session minutes, staff issues]**

**8:07 pm**

MOTION by Kasperski seconded by Pienta that the Board of Education go into Executive Session.

Roll Call: Kasperski, Pienta, Ferrari, Faletti, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

**BEGIN CLOSED: 8:09 pm**  
**END CLOSED: 9:00 pm**

## **10. ACTION ITEMS FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION**

### **10.1 Approve Closed Session Minutes for February**

MOTION by Pienta seconded by Ferrari that the Board of Education approve Closed Session Minutes for February.

Roll Call: Pienta, Ferrari, Faletti, Kasperski, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

### **10.2 Accept Resignation of Lynn Foote**

MOTION by Faletti seconded by Pienta that the Board of Education accept with regret the resignation of Lynn Foote.

Roll Call: Faletti, Pienta, Ferrari, Kasperski,, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

### **10.3 Approve the hiring of Cecelia Fuentes as Teacher Aide.**

MOTION by Faletti seconded by Pienta that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Cecelia Fuentes as Teacher Aide.

Roll Call: Faletti, Pienta, Ferrari, Kasperski, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

**9:05 pm**

MOTION by Ferrari seconded by Pienta that the Board of Education adjourn the February 21, 2024 Board of Education Meeting.

Roll Call: Ferrari, Pienta, Faletti, Kasperski, Olson and Urbanski all voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.