

**SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
Regular Board Meeting
August 26, 2021**

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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. PUBLIC COMMENT

- ❖ Public comment is limited to five minutes per person. Thank you.

B. CONSENT AGENDA

Although Board action is required, it is generally unnecessary to hold discussion on these items. With the consent of all members, they are therefore grouped and approval is given in one motion. In the event a Board member wants to discuss any item, the Board President will move it to an appropriate place on the agenda.

1. Approval of Minutes

Regular Board Meeting – June 24, 2021

2. Payment of Bills

General Fund checks for the months of June and July 2021 totaling \$3,084,868.82.

3. Acknowledgement of Receipt of Financial Reports

- ❖ Tax Collector's Reports – July 2021
Morton and Springfield
- ❖ District Financial Reports – June and July 2021
General Fund, Investment Schedule, Revenue, Expenditures
- ❖ Financial Reports – June and July 2021
Middle School & High School Activity Accounts

4. Contracts for Board Approval

- ❖ *Agreement with VFES (Valley Forge Education Services) for services for one (1) student (ID #100005546) for the Vocational Immersion Program from July 6, 2021 to August 30, 2021.
Total cost for one (1) student \$6,100.*
- ❖ *Agreement with CADES (George Crothers Memorial School) for services for one (1) student (ID #100011789) for the 2021-22 School Year (180 days) at a daily rate of \$308.91.
Total cost for one (1) student \$55,603.80.*

- ❖ *Agreement with CADES (George Crothers Memorial School) for services for one (1) student (ID # 100011712) for the 2021-22 School Year (180 days) at a daily rate of \$374.64.
Total cost for one (1) student \$67,435.20.*
- ❖ *Agreement with Valley Forge Educational Services for services for one (1) student (ID # 100011497) for the 2021-2022 School Year.
Total cost for one (1) student: \$68,500.00.*
- ❖ *Agreement with The Timothy School for enrollment of one (1) student (ID # 100004705) for school programs required by the IEP; services for the 2021-2022 School Year.
Total cost for one (1) student: \$82,500.00.*
- ❖ *Agreement with The Timothy School for enrollment of one (1) student (ID # 100010985) for school programs required by the IEP; services for the 2021-2022 School Year.
Total cost for one (1) student: \$82,500.00.*
- ❖ *Agreement with The Timothy School for enrollment of one (1) student (ID # 100010603) for school programs required by the IEP; services for the 2021-2022 School Year.
Total cost for one (1) student: \$82,500.00.*
- ❖ *Agreement with Elwyn Davidson School for one-to-one services for one (1) student (ID # 100006162) for the 2021-2022 School Year (182 days) at a cost of \$190.00 per day.
Total cost for one (1) student: \$34,580.00.*

5. Act 80 Exceptions

Approval of the request to the PA Department of Education for Act 80 Exceptions for the 2021-2022 school year on the dates when school is not in session in order to provide in-service instruction for our teachers and parent/teacher conferences.

C. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

1. Health and Safety Plan – Dr. Barber

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the H and S plan presented by the school district administration to begin the 2021-2022 school year.*

2. Personnel Report – Ms. Bellace

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the remainder of Personnel actions as listed in the Personnel Report.*

3. SSD Open Records Officer – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the designation of Dawn Ries to act as the District’s Open Records Officer pursuant to the Pennsylvania Right-To-Know Law, effective September 1, 2021.*

4. Plan Con Part K Filing – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the filing and subsequent approval of the Series A of 2021 Bonds’ Plan Con Part K – Project Refinancing filing with the Pennsylvania Department of Education and the related materials for the Springfield High School master plan project.*

5. Independent Contractor Agreement – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the agreement between Springfield School District and independent contractor Beth Brady to provide and maintain a communication program for the district and board support services for the 2021-2022 school year. These services will be billed hourly at a rate of \$31.25 per hour for a total cost not to exceed of \$50,000.*

6. Real Estate Tax Assessment Settlements – Ms. Mikula

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board authorizes and directs the Solicitor to finalize settlements of the following real estate tax assessment appeals for the following years and amounts:*

- ❖ *Folio No. 42-00-07863-00, 323 East Woodland Avenue, Springfield Township 2021 \$25,000 assessment/\$25,000 fair market value.*

*Appealed-from assessment/fair market value of the above property:
\$135,590 assessment/\$135,590 fair market value.*

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$110,590 below the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar decrease of approximately \$2,195 to our District for tax year 2021.

- ❖ *Folio No. 42-00-07864-00, 401 E. Woodland Avenue, Springfield Township 2021 \$550,000 assessment/\$550,000 fair market value.*

*Appealed-from assessment/fair market value of the above property:
\$624,380 assessment/\$624,380 fair market value.*

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$74,380 below the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar decrease of approximately \$1,476 to our District for tax year 2021.

- ❖ *Folio No. 42-00-00431-00, 18 Baltimore Pike, Springfield Township 2021 \$2,800,000 assessment/\$2,800,000 fair market value.*

Appealed-from assessment/fair market value of the above property:

\$2,466,100 assessment/ \$2,466,100 fair market value.

This proposed resolution represents an increase of \$333,900 above the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar gain of approximately \$6,627 to our District for tax year 2021.

- ❖ *Folio No. 42-00-00394-00, 641 Baltimore Pike, Springfield Township 2021 \$7,000,000 assessment/ \$7,000,000 fair market value.*

Appealed-from assessment/fair market value of the above property: \$4,136,580 assessment/ \$4,136,580 fair market value.

This proposed resolution represents an increase of \$2,863,420 above the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar gain of approximately \$56,837 to our District for tax year 2021.

- ❖ *Folio No. 42-00-01482-06, 1248 Country Club Drive, Springfield Township 2021 \$330,000 assessment/ \$330,000 fair market value.*

Appealed-from assessment/fair market value of the above property: \$353,490 assessment/ \$353,490 fair market value.

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$23,490 below the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar decrease of approximately \$466 to our District for tax year 2021.

7. Approval for Destruction of Board Minutes – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approve the preservation of all minutes of the regular and special meetings of the Springfield School District Board of School Directors from August 29, 1912 through the present and continuing into the future, in electronic PDF/A format to be kept in a live server environment with at least one backup copy stored separately, that such electronic documents will be deemed the permanent records of the Springfield School District, and that, following the preservation of the minutes as described herein, paper copies of such minutes may be destroyed.*

8. 2022 District Related Appeals – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board authorizes the Solicitor to prosecute the following real estate tax assessment appeals for the Tax Year 2022 regarding the following properties.*

- ❖ *42-00-00455-00 – 410 Baltimore Pike, Springfield Township*
- ❖ *42-00-00469-00 – 600 Baltimore Pike, Springfield Township*
- ❖ *42-00-06589-02 – 730 S. Chester Road, Springfield Township*

9. Special Education Agreement – Dr. Barber

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board agree and accept proposed Settlement, Waiver and Release Agreement for student #8712.*

10. Special Education Agreement – Dr. Barber

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the joint Special Education Agreement between Springfield School District and Student ID #6872.*

11. Special Education Agreement – Dr. Barber

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the joint Special Education Agreement between Springfield School District and Student ID #0041.*

D. SPORTS REPORT – Mrs. Flynn

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- ❖ Education – Jennifer Lofland, Chair
- ❖ Facilities – Kevin Keenan, Chair
- ❖ Finance & Audit – Frank Agovino, Chair
- ❖ Personnel – Bruce Lord, Chair
- ❖ Policy – Domenic Bentivegna, Chair
- ❖ Communications – Frank Agovino, Chair
- ❖ Volunteer Memorial – Domenic Bentivegna

F. LIAISON REPORTS

1. Solicitor’s Report – Ms. Mikula
2. Legislative Board Report – Mr. Agovino
3. DCIU Board Report – Mrs. Rovinski
4. DCCC Board Report – Mr. Sillo
5. Future Board Meetings – *September 23, 2021*
October 28, 2021
6. Superintendent’s Salutations – Dr. Barber

Before and after each meeting, the Board meets in Nonpublic Executive Study Session to discuss personnel, legal and labor relations matters.