

**SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
Regular Board Meeting
August 24, 2023**

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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. PUBLIC COMMENT

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

B. ITEMS FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION

1. Pillar Report – Ms. Flynn and Ms. Rechner

C. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- ❖ Education – Jennifer Lofland, Chair
- ❖ Facilities – Kevin Keenan, Chair
- ❖ Personnel – Bruce Lord, Chair
- ❖ Policy – Domenic Bentivegna, Chair
- ❖ Volunteer Memorial – Domenic Bentivegna

D. 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 22, 2023

2. Payment of Bills

General Fund checks for the months of June and July 2023 totaling \$2,570,421.05

3. Acknowledgement of Receipt of Financial Reports

- ❖ Tax Collector's Reports – *July 2023*
Morton and Springfield
- ❖ District Financial Reports – *June and July 2023*
General Fund, Investment Schedule, Revenue, Expenditures
- ❖ Financial Reports – *June and July 2023*
Middle School & High School Activity Accounts

4. Contracts for Board Approval

- ❖ *Agreement with CADES (George Crothers Memorial School) for one-on-one services for one (1) student (ID #100011839) for the 2023-2024 School Year (180 days).
Total cost of one-to-one services for one (1) student: \$40,244.00.*
- ❖ *Agreement with Elwyn Davidson School for one-on-one services for one (1) student (ID #100006778) for the 2023-2024 School Year (180 days).
Total cost of one-to-one services for one (1) student: \$16,729.20.*
- ❖ *Agreement with CADES (George Crothers Memorial School) for one-on-one services for one (1) student (ID #100011839) for ESY.
Total cost of one-to-one services for one (1) student: \$4,025.00.*
- ❖ *Agreement with CADES (George Crothers Memorial School) for intensive support services for two (2) students (ID #100011712 and ID #100011839) for ESY.
Total cost of intensive services for two (2) students: \$2,034.00.*
- ❖ *Agreement with Devereux Foundation for Extended School Year (ESY) tuition for July 1, 2023 – August 31, 2023 (Monday through Friday for a total of 30 days) for two (2) students.
Total cost for student ID #100006695: \$15,090.
Total cost for student ID #100010010: \$9,270.
Total cost for two (2) students: \$24,360.00.*
- ❖ *Agreement with The Timothy School for enrollment of one (1) student (ID #5622898781) for ESY educational services July 3 - August 10, 2023, for a tuition of \$6,440.*
- ❖ *Agreement with The Timothy School for enrollment of one (1) student (ID #8678671963) for ESY educational services July 3 - August 10, 2023, for a tuition of \$6,440.*
- ❖ *Agreement with The Timothy School for enrollment of one (1) student (ID #2668640458) for ESY educational services July 3 - August 10, 2023, for a tuition of \$6,440.*
- ❖ *Agreement between CADES/George Crothers Memorial School for enrollment of seven (7) students (ID #1000011712, ID #100011839, ID #100007622, ID #100009167, ID #100007064, ID #100010194 and ID #100011789) for special education program as it pertains to each student's (ESY program) Service for designated days from July 5, 2023 through July 28, 2023.
Total cost for six (6) students: \$47,397.*
- ❖ *Agreement with CADES (George Crothers Memorial School) for enrollment of two (2) students for the 2023-2024 school year (180 days) for a tuition of \$67,710.60. A student requiring intensive services, it is an additional \$10,179.
Total cost for ID # 100011712: \$77,889.60
Total cost for ID # 100011839: \$77,889.60*

- ❖ *Agreement with The Timothy School for one (1) student (ID #5622898781) for the 2023 – 2024 school year (180 days) with tuition deducted from PDE’s 4010 system.*
- ❖ *Agreement with The Timothy School for one (1) student (ID #2668640458) for the 2023 – 2024 school year (180 days) with tuition deducted from PDE’s 4010 system.*
- ❖ *Agreement between the Timothy School to provide Specialized Educational Services for 2023-2024 School Year.
Total cost for one (1) student (ID 8678671963): \$95,000.00*
- ❖ *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 2023 - 2024 school year. These services will be billed hourly at a rate of \$33.20 per hour for a total cost not to exceed of \$53,120.*
- ❖ *Agreement with Lakeside Educational Network for Special Educational Services (1 Slot) for the 2023-2024 School Year.
Total cost for one (1) slot: \$40,725.00.*

5. Act 80 Exceptions

Approval of the request to the PA Department of Education for Act 80 Exceptions for the 2023-2024 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.

E. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

1. Personnel Report – Ms. Mikula

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

2. Health and Safety Plan – Dr. Barber

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the Health and Safety Plan presented by the school district administration to begin the 2023-2024 school year.*

3. Board Policy – Mr. Bentivegna

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the following policies for second reading:*

- ❖ *217 Graduation Requirements*
- ❖ *235 Student Rights*
- ❖ *815 Internet Use*
- ❖ *915 Booster Organizations*
- ❖ *916 Volunteers*
- ❖ *E7 Political Activities*
- ❖ *E16 Conflict of Interest*

4. Special Education Agreement – Dr. Barber

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board agree and accept the proposed Settlement, Waiver, and Release Agreement for student “8312”.*

5. Independent Contractor Agreement – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the agreement between Springfield School District and independent contractor, Ben White (Licensed Social Worker), to provide clinical services for the Springfield School District. This Agreement is for the 2023-2024 school year not to exceed \$44,400.*

6. Independent Contractor Agreement – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the agreement between Springfield School District and independent contractor, Jeanne Vollrath (Licensed Occupational Therapist), to provide clinical services for the Springfield School District. This Agreement is for the 2023-2024 school year not to exceed \$79,403.63.*

7. Real Estate Tax Assessment Settlement – Mr. Lord

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

- ❖ *Folio No. 42-00-00512-00, 1300 Baltimore Pike, Springfield Township*

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

For tax year 2021, an assessment of \$7,250,000 and a fair market value of \$7,250,000.

For tax year 2022, an assessment of \$8,000,000 and a fair market value of \$8,000,000.

For tax year 2023, an assessment of \$6,552,000, and a fair market value of \$9,000,000.

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This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$1,307,580 below the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar decrease of approximately \$25,954 to our District for tax year 2021.

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$557,580 below the 2022 assessment and yields a tax dollar decrease of approximately \$11,394 to our District for tax year 2022.

This proposed resolution is a decrease of \$2,005,580 below the 2023 assessment and yields a tax dollar decrease of approximately \$42,193 to our District for tax year 2023.

❖ *Folio No. 42-00-00412-00, 1141 Baltimore Pike, Springfield Township*

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

For tax year 2021, an assessment of \$1,400,000 and a fair market value of \$1,400,000.

For tax year 2022, an assessment of \$1,550,000 and a fair market value of \$1,550,000.

For tax year 2023, an assessment of \$1,164,800, and a fair market value of \$1,600,000.

For tax year 2024, an assessment of \$1,052,800 and a fair market value of \$1,600,000.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$688,970 above the 2021 assessment and yields a tax dollar gain of approximately \$13,675 to our District for tax year 2021.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$838,970 above the 2022 assessment and yields a tax dollar gain of approximately \$17,144 to our District for tax year 2022.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$838,970 above the 2023 assessment and yields a tax dollar gain of approximately \$9,546 to our District for tax year 2023.

This proposed resolution is an increase of \$341,770 above the 2024 assessment and yields a tax dollar gain of approximately \$7,190 to our District for tax year 2024. The approximate tax dollar gain is calculated using the District's 2023 millage rate because the millage rate for 2024 has not yet been determined.

8. 2023 Series Bond Financing (ROLL CALL VOTE) – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the proposed Bond Resolution that authorizes the district to pursue the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023, in an amount up to \$7,000,000. Bond sale is projected to be completed in November 2023.*

9. Bond Purchase Proposal – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the proposal received from PFM Financial Advisors, LLC to arrange and participate in completing the full sale, issuance and delivery of the Springfield School District's Series of 2023 General Obligation Bonds to be issued in a maximum aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,000,000.*

10. ETR Middle School and Sabold Elementary School Mechanical Work Change Order Approval – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the following change orders # 1, 2, and 3 for \$71,648.71 for electrical revisions, chimney repair, and additional concrete work for work performed by the general contractors and electrical contractor for HVAC installation work provided at ETR Middle School and Sabold Elementary School.*

All change order costs will be funded from the capital projects bond proceeds.

11. ETR Middle School Mechanical Work and Capital Asset Project Management Services – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the proposal received from the CID Group in the amount not to exceed of \$299,766 for project management services related to the installation of the HVAC systems being installed at ETR Middle School and various capital asset projects that will be completed during 2023-2024.*

The proposed fees will be billed each month on an hourly basis for actual hours incurred.

12. Summer 2023-2024 Capital Asset Projects – Mr. Mooney

RECOMMENDATION: *that the Board approves the following proposal from CMT services Group in the amount of \$20,000. Services will include material inspection and testing for the HVAC work being done at ETR Middle School during the summer of 2023 and 2024. The cost of this project will be funded from the Capital Projects Bond proceeds.*

F. LIAISON REPORTS

1. Solicitor's Report – Mr. Sereni
2. DCIU Board Report – Mrs. Rovinski
3. DCCC Board Report – Mr. Sillo
4. Future Board Meetings – *September 28, 2023*
October 26, 2023
5. 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.