

**SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS  
REORGANIZATION MEETING  
December 8, 2022  
7:00 PM**

*Members Present:*

*Bruce Lord, President  
Jennifer Lofland, Vice President  
Joseph Sillo, Secretary  
Frank Agovino, Treasurer  
Domenic Bentivegna, Director  
Jennifer Flynn, Director  
Jacqueline Guy, Director  
Kevin Keenan, Director (Absent)  
Margaret Rovinski, Director*

*Lisanne Mikula, Solicitor*

*Anthony Barber, Superintendent of Schools (Absent)  
Don Mooney, Executive Director of Operations  
Linda Bellace, Director of Human Resources*

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**MEETING MINUTES**

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. Bruce Lord, Board President**

**Purpose of Meeting**

*It is the purpose of this Reorganization Meeting to elect School Board Officers for 2023, elect the solicitor, approve depositories and signatories, and take other Reorganization Meeting actions as deemed necessary by the Board.*

**2. Appointment of Temporary Chairperson**

*Board President opens nominations to appoint a Temporary Chairperson to preside over the meeting until the 2023 Board President is elected.*

*Motion by Dr. Lofland & second by Ms. Guy to nominate a Temporary Chairperson.  
Dr. Lofland nominated Frank Agovino as Temporary Chairperson.*

*Motion by Ms. Guy, second by Ms. Rovinski, & vote to close nominations.*

*Vote to appoint Temporary Chairperson 8-0-0.*

*Mr. Agovino is elected Temporary Chairperson.*

**3. Election of President**

*Mr. Agovino opens nominations to elect the 2023 Board President.*

*Motion by Ms. Guy & second by Dr. Lofland to nominate the 2023 Board President.*

*Dr. Lofland nominated Mr. Lord for Board President.*

*Motion by Ms. Guy, second by Ms. Rovinski to close nominations.*

*Vote to close nominations 8-0-0*

*Vote to elect 2023 Board President 8-0-0*

*Mr. Lord is elected 2023 Board President.*

**4. Election of Vice President**

*Mr. Lord opens nominations to elect the 2023 Board Vice President.*

*Motion by Ms. Guy & second by Dr. Lofland to nominate the 2023 Board Vice President.*

*Mr. Bentivegna nominated Dr. Lofland for Board Vice President.*

*Motion by Mr. Sillo, second by Ms. Guy to close nominations.*

*Vote to close nominations 8-0-0*

*Vote to elect 2023 Board Vice President 8-0-0*

*Dr. Lofland is elected 2023 Board Vice President.*

**5. Election of Solicitor, Designation of Retainer & Additional Fee Agreement**

*Mr. Lord opens nominations to elect the 2023 Board Solicitor.*

*Motion by Dr. Lofland & second by Ms. Guy to nominate the 2023 Board Solicitor.*

*Dr. Lofland nominated Mr. Sereni.*

*Motion by Dr. Lofland, second by Ms. Guy, & vote to close nominations.*

*Vote to close: 8-0-0*

*Mr. Sereni is elected the 2023 Board Solicitor.*

**6. Resignation of Secretary**

**RECOMMENDATION:** *that the Board approves the resignation of Joseph Sillo as Secretary of the Board of School Directors, effective immediately.*

*Motion: Ms. Rovinski*

*Second: Ms. Guy*

*Vote: 8-0-0*

*Comments: Mr. Lord thanked Mr. Sillo for his service as secretary. Dr. Lofland thanked Mr. Sillo for stepping into this leadership role.*

**7. Appointment of Secretary**

**RECOMMENDATION:** *that the Board appoints Kevin Keenan to serve as Secretary of the Board of School Directors, effective immediately, to complete the term of Joseph Sillo, which expires on June 30, 2025.*

*Motion: Ms. Rovinski*

*Second: Ms. Guy*

*Vote: 8-0-0*

**8. Resignation of Treasurer**

**RECOMMENDATION:** *that the Board approves the resignation of Frank Agovino as Treasurer of the Board of School Directors, effective immediately.*

*Motion: Ms. Guy*

*Second: Ms. Rovinski*

*Vote: 8-0-0*

*Comments: Mr. Lord thanked Mr. Agovino for his services as treasurer.*

**9. Appointment of Treasurer**

**RECOMMENDATION:** *that the Board appoints Joseph Sillo to serve as Treasurer of the Board of School Directors, effective immediately, to complete the term of Frank Agovino, which expires on June 30, 2023.*

*Motion: Ms. Guy*

*Second: Ms. Rovinski*

*Vote: 8-0-0*

**10. School Board Committees**

*Appointments will be announced in January 2023.*

**11. Designation of Out-of-District Representatives**

*Appointments will be announced in January 2023.*

**12. Adjournment of Reorganization Meeting**

*Motion: Ms. Guy*

*Second: Dr. Lofland*

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*The Solicitor is appointed at the annual Reorganization Meeting for a one-year term. Mark A. Sereni, Esquire, was appointed December 9, 2021 to serve for one year @ an annual retainer of \$4,000.*

**Mr. Sereni's fees for 2023**

*Annual Retainer*

\$4,000

*Non-Retainer Services:*

- *Attorney time*
- *Legal Assistant Rate (whenever appropriate)*

\$200 per hour

\$100 per hour

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. Sereni', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.