

**April 5, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER**

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT; STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE - The chair declares that, in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate public notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with statute by the Secretary of the Board of Education.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The Spotswood Public School District is dedicated to excellence in education by inspiring and challenging our students to achieve their full potential while becoming productive citizens of the global community.

**FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL**

Members Present:

\_\_\_\_\_ D Branco-Rivera                      \_\_\_\_\_ W Smith                      \_\_\_\_\_ M Chasan  
\_\_\_\_\_ W Loschiavo                      \_\_\_\_\_ B Louis

Others Present:

\_\_\_\_\_ S Rocco                      \_\_\_\_\_ V Marino                      \_\_\_\_\_ F Zambrana  
\_\_\_\_\_ G Peabody                      \_\_\_\_\_ S Pewitt                      \_\_\_\_\_ C Harry  
\_\_\_\_\_ Public                      \_\_\_\_\_ N DiMaria                      \_\_\_\_\_ P Demetrio

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

**A. Routine – Spotswood/Milltown**

- 1. Approve Minutes:
  - a. March 15, 2016 Regular Board Meeting
  - b. March 15, 2016 Executive Session Meeting

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D Branco-Rivera                      W Smith                      M Chasan                      W Loschiavo                      B Louis                      F Zambrana

**B. General – Spotswood**

- 1. Approve volunteers as presented.

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D Branco-Rivera

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W Smith

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M Chasan

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B Louis

**C. General – Spotswood/Milltown**

1. Approve field trips as presented.

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D Branco-Rivera

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W Smith

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M Chasan

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W Loschiavo

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B Louis

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F Zambrana

**D. Finance – Spotswood**

1. Approve travel as presented.
2. Approve an Acoustic Evaluation of the classroom to be used by State student ID #xxxxxx3474, to be completed by a previously approved provider at a cost not to exceed \$850.00.

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D Branco-Rivera

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W Smith

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M Chasan

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B Louis

**E. Finance – Spotswood/Milltown**

1. Approve the Spotswood Board of Education to provide a \$100.00 cash award and a plaque for Senior Awards Night.
2. Approve a maximum of five (5) hours per week of home instruction for State student ID #xxxxxx0919 to be provided by previously approved providers at the rate of \$46.00 per hour for five (5) hours per week, effective March 15, 2016.
3. Motion to award a Five Year Lease bid in the amount of \$334,405.00 to acquire four school buses. Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission served as financial advisor and conducted a competitive bid for the lease purchase, and has determined that the bid received by U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing and Finance, Inc. is the lowest responsible bid, with financing for the school buses for a five year term at an interest rate of 2.06%. The Board concurs with this determination and desires to award the bid for the lease purchase to U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing and Finance, Inc.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A MASTER TAX-EXEMPT LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT, AND RELATED INSTRUMENTS, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.**

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of Spotswood Board of Education (“Lessee”) desires to obtain Four School Buses (the “Equipment”) described in the Equipment Schedule to the Master Tax-Exempt Lease Purchase Agreement (collectively, the “Agreement”) with U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing and Finance, Inc. (“Lessor”), the form of which has been available for review by the governing body of Lessee prior to this meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the Equipment is essential for the Lessee to perform its governmental functions;  
and

**WHEREAS**, Lessee has taken the necessary steps, including those relating to any applicable legal bidding requirements, to arrange for the acquisition of the Equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, Lessee proposes to enter into the Agreement with Lessor substantially in the forms presented to this meeting.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF LESSEE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. It is hereby found and determined that the terms of the Agreement in the forms presented to this meeting and incorporated in this resolution are in the best interests of Lessee for the acquisition of the Equipment.

Section 2. The Agreement and the acquisition and financing of the Equipment under the terms and conditions as described in the Agreement are hereby approved. The School Business Administrator of Lessee and any other officer of Lessee who shall have power to execute contracts on behalf of Lessee be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to execute, acknowledge and deliver the Agreement with any changes, insertions and omissions therein as may be approved by the officers who execute the Agreement, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by such execution and delivery of the Agreement. The School Business Administrator of the Lessee and any other officer of Lessee who shall have power to do so be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to affix the official seal of Lessee to the Agreement and attest the same.

Section 3. The proper officers of Lessee be, and each of them hereby is, authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all papers, instruments, opinions, certificates, affidavits and other documents and to do or cause to be done any and all other acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out this resolution and the Agreement.

Section 4. Pursuant to Section 265(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), Lessee hereby specifically designates the Agreement as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

The undersigned further certifies that the above resolution has not been repealed or amended and remains in full force and effect and further certifies that the Agreement executed on behalf of Lessee are the same as presented at such meeting of the governing body of Lessee, excepting only such changes, insertions and omissions as shall have been approved by the officers who executed the same.

4. Approve a psychiatric evaluation for State student ID #xxxxxx4841, to be provided by a previously approved provider, at a cost of \$200.00.

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D Branco-Rivera

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B Louis

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F Zambrana

**F. Personnel – Spotswood**

No items for approval.

**G. Personnel – Spotswood/Milltown**

1. Approve high school hall security personnel to cover for each other at their hourly rates when out for sick or personal reasons.
2. Approve substitutes as presented:  
Deborah Dallas, Sub Aide  
Diana Saeed, Sub Teacher  
Barbara Santoro, Sub Teacher

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D Branco-Rivera

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M Chasan

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**FOR DISCUSSION**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Human Resources Committee Report  
Curriculum & Instruction Committee Report  
Finance Committee Report  
Student Services Committee Report

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**FOR INFORMATION**

Fire Drill Reports: All four schools in the district (HS/Memorial/Appleby/Schoenly) are in compliance with monthly school security drills, having held one fire drill and one school security drill for the month during the school year.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board will adjourn to Executive Session.

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**PUBLIC SESSION**

The Board will reconvene Public Session.

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**ADJOURNMENT**