

February 16, 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

- Student of the Month (December-February)
- Recognition of *Governor’s Educator of the Year* Recipients

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

RECOMMENDED ACTION

A. Routine – Spotswood/Milltown

1. Approve Minutes:
 - a. February 2, 2016 Regular Board Meeting

D Branco-Rivera	W Smith	M Chasan	W Loschiavo	B Louis	F Zambrana
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B. General – Spotswood

1. Approve a volunteer as presented.

C. General – Spotswood/Milltown

1. Authorization to apply for an equivalency to extend the Spotswood Public Schools' Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) certification as a high performing district for an additional three (3) years.
2. Accept on first reading the new/revised Board Policies and Regulation as provided by Strauss Esmay Associates, LLP as follows:
 - a. Policy 6163 - Advertising on School Property (new)
 - b. Policy 6164 - Advertising on School Buses (new)
 - c. Policy & Regulation 6470 - Payment of Claims (revised)
 - d. Policy 6511 - Direct Deposit (new)
 - e. Policy 8507 - Breakfast Offer Versus Serve (OVS) (new)
 - f. Policy 8508 - Lunch Offer Versus Serve (OVS) (new)
3. Adopt on second reading the revised Board Bylaws and Policies as provided by Strauss Esmay Associates, LLP as follows:
 - a. Bylaw 0134 - Board Self Evaluation (revised)
 - b. Bylaw 0152 - Board Officers (revised)
 - c. Policy 3431.1 - Family Leave (revised)
 - d. Policy 4124 - Employment Contract (revised)
 - e. Policy 4431.1 - Family Leave (revised)
4. Accept the donation of 160 social studies (history, politics, government, psychology, sociology, geography, economy) books/resource guides for the continuation of the department's research lab and over 90 elementary books/resources valued at \$250.00 for classroom libraries at Appleby School from Mr. & Mrs. Graham Peabody.
5. Approve field trips as presented.

D. Finance – Spotswood

1. Approve budget transfers and modifications for December 2015 as presented.
2. Approve Board Secretary's Report for December 2015 as presented.

3. Approve Treasurer of School Monies Report for December 2015 and proprietary funds [Cafeteria (60) CARES (70)] financial reports for December 2015 as presented.
4. Approve Board Member Certification for December 2015. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(e), the Spotswood Board of Education hereby certified that as of December 2015, after review of the Secretary's Report (appropriations section) and upon the Board consultation with the appropriated district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
5. Approve Board Secretary's Line Item Certification for December 2015. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(d), I certify that as of December 2015 no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the Spotswood Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1.
6. The Spotswood Board of Education, through contract with the Middlesex County Regional Educational Services Commission, authorizes Non-Public Technology funds to be used for the purchase of technology items from:

CDWG	Bright Horizons	\$167.57
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7. Approve an Auditory Processing Evaluation for State Student ID #xxxxxx2337, to be completed by a previously approved provider, at a cost not to exceed \$650.00.
8. Approve a Neurological Evaluation for State Student ID# xxxxxx0293, to be completed by Dorothy Pietrucha, M.D., a previously approved provider, at a cost not to exceed \$300.00.
9. Approve an Augmentative Communication Assessment/Report for State Student ID #xxxxxx9943, to be completed by Travis Tallman (New Jersey Institute for Disabilities/ Cerebral Palsy), a previously approved provider, at a cost not to exceed \$950.00.
10. Approve bedside instruction for State Student ID #xxxxxx2734 for ten (10) hours per week, to be provided by Brookfield Educational Services Program, at the rate of \$46.00 per hour, beginning as soon as possible and until the student is discharged.
11. Approve an out-of-district placement for State Student ID # xxxxxx3755 at Collier Middle School for the remainder of the 2015/2016 school year at a cost of \$12,180.00, plus transportation, effective 2/17/2016 for the remaining 84 school days.
12. Approve the purchase of an Oticon Amigo T31 and two (2) Oticon R12 Receivers for use by State Student ID# xxxxxx3474 at a total cost of \$1,715.00.
13. Approve travel as presented.

E. Finance – Spotswood/Milltown

1. Approve the bills list as certified by the Board Secretary for February 2016.
2. Approve the Spotswood Board of Education 2015/2016 Yearbook full-page advertisement in the amount of \$300.00.
3. Approve bedside instruction for State Student ID #xxxxxx4841 at the cost of \$550.00 per week, to be provided by MOESC beginning as soon as possible and until the student is discharged.
4. Approve the professional services of Language Translation, Inc., to provide Over-The-Phone Interpretation Services, (OPI), at a cost not to exceed \$200.00 for the 2015/2016 school year.
5. Approve the professional services of Dr. Diane Janson, Psychologist, to provide consultative services for district students, on an as needed basis for the 2015/2016 school year, as per the below fee schedule:

Consultation/Meeting Attendance/Court Testimony	\$200.00/hr.
Program Evaluation	\$1,500.00
Inservice Training	\$600.00/half day
	\$1,200.00/full day
Independent Psychological Testing	\$700.00
Independent Neuropsychological Testing	
without Educational	\$1,200.00
with Educational	\$1,800.00

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F. Personnel – Spotswood

1. Approve the appointment of Barbara Silvers as Schoenly C.A.R.E.S. Head Teacher, 3 hours per day, 15 hours per week, at the hourly rate of \$25.00 effective February 17, 2016.

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G. Personnel – Spotswood/Milltown

1. Approve the High School co-curricular appointment of the following staff member for the 2015/2016 school year as presented, pending receipt of paperwork:

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Stipend</u>	<u>Level</u>
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Costume Manager Christine Maggio \$670.00 1

2. Approve Jennifer Asprocolas as a professional development instructor for district in-service/ PD Academy/Teacher Induction offerings for the 2015/2016 school year on an as needed basis at the rate of \$31.00 per session (1 ¼ hours per session) not to exceed \$620.00.
3. Approve an additional sixth period stipend for Christopher Feibel effective February 17, 2016, through the end of the 2015/2016 school year at a stipend of \$5,900.00, prorated.
4. Approve substitutes as presented:
 - Justin Amedeo, Sub Teacher
 - Thomas Harkness, Sub Custodian
 - Michelene Yurik, Sub Teacher

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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