

SPRINGS UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
48 SCHOOL STREET
EAST HAMPTON, NEW YORK 11937
MISSION STATEMENT

"Springs School is dedicated to providing a foundation for personal and social growth in order to develop students of exemplary character who become responsible, productive and caring citizens."

Springs School Board of Education
MINUTES
October 7, 2013
(Meeting chaired by Board of Education Vice President)

The meeting was called to order by Vice President John Grant at 7:04 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The following members were in attendance: John Grant, Vice President, Timothy Frazier, Adam Wilson and Jeff Miller. Elizabeth Mendelman was absent. Eric Casale, Principal, Thomas Primiano, Treasurer and Frances Silipo, District Clerk, were also in attendance. There were 21 individuals in the audience including one member of the press.

A motion was made Adam Wilson, seconded by Jeffrey Miller and the Board approved the following resolution:

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – BOARD VICE PRESIDENT

Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby approves the minutes from the monthly meeting held on September 9, 2013.

Vice President, John Grant reported on the following items:

Board Retreat - Held on Saturday 9/28/13 with the main topic being communication.

No Questions/Comments from the Board on the Vice President's Report

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Finello began his report by introducing Alexandria Battaglia from the Audit Firm of R.S. Abrams and the Board Treasurer, Mr. Primiano.

Ms Battaglia from R.S. Abrams gave an overview of the annual audit and Mr. Primiano spoke about the response to the Management Letter that will be sent to NYSED.

Lisa Matz shared the PTA report for the month.

Mr. Casale reported the total enrollment of the district at this time to be 1031.

A motion was made by Timothy Frazier, seconded by Jeffrey Miller and the Board unanimously approved the following resolutions by consent at this time pertaining to the audit report.

F – 7 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby accepts the following reports filed in the Office of the District Clerk which have been submitted by the District’s External Auditors, R.S. Abrams & Co. LLP,

1. Financial Statements and Supplementary Schedules, dated June 30, 2013, with the Independent Auditors’ Reports, dated October 7, 2013;
2. Extra-classroom Activity Funds Financial Statement, dated June 30, 2013, with the Independent Auditors’ Report, dated October 7, 2013;
3. Statement on Auditing Standards letter, dated October 7, 2013; and
4. Management letter dated October 7, 2013

F – 8 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby accepts the District’s response to the Management Letter, dated October 7, 2013, filed in the Office of the District Clerk

No Questions/Comments from the Board on the Superintendent’s Report.

PERSONNEL- Motion by consent Agenda

(A) Resolutions

A motion was made by Jeffrey Miller, seconded by Adam Wilson and the Board unanimously approved the following resolutions by consent. Mr. Frazier recused himself from P-2 items 14 and 19 pertaining to the Literacy Coordinator and High Tide magazine stipends for Mrs. Frazier.

- P – 1 Be it resolved that, upon the recommendation of the administration, that Jessica Vickers be granted tenure as a reading teacher, effective September 9, 2013.
- P – 2 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby approves the stipended appointments for the 2013-14 school year as attached. (See attachment 1)
- P – 3 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby accepts the substitute list as submitted and kept on file in the office of the District Clerk. (See attachment 2)

No Questions/Comments from the Board on the Personnel Report

FINANCE – Motion by consent Agenda

(1) Information Items

(1) Warrants # 8 & 9

(2) Budget Transfer #3

Mr. Primiano gave a report on the finance agenda. A motion was made by Adam Wilson, seconded by Timothy Frazier and the Board of Education unanimously approved the following resolutions by consent:

(F-7 and F-8 were previously approved after the Audit Report was completed)

Resolutions –

- F – 1 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby approves the Treasurer’s Report of October 7, 2013.
- F – 2 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby approves Budget Transfer #3 as submitted and kept on file in the office of the District Clerk.
- F – 3 Be it resolved that the Board of Education approves a contract with Paul Mori and Marina Mori in the amount of \$500 for the purpose of transportation consulting.
- F – 4 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby approves the monetary grants from the Springs School PTA of \$390 for the High Tide magazine and \$341.32 for the developing of film and cameras for the art department.
- F – 5 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby approves the agreement with Southampton UFSD for transportation as needed.
- F – 6 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby approves the agreement with East Hampton UFSD for bus repairs as needed.
- F – 9 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby approves the Tax Anticipation Note Resolution as attached and kept on file in the office of the District Clerk. (See attachment 3)
- F – 10 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute a contact with Eastern Suffolk BOCES for Cooperative Educational Services for the 2013-14 school year.

F – 11 Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby accepts a grant in the amount of \$50,000 remitted from the State Treasury. The grant-in-aid will be appropriated by the Board of Education pursuant to Subdivision 2 of Section 1718 of the Education Law as amended by Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1995 for general purpose use.

No Questions/Comments from the Board on the Treasurer's Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS – Mr. Miller requested permission from the Board to contact Suffolk County to discuss the possibility of using the sports fields as an emergency landing area if a helicopter should be needed. The Board agreed that Mr. Miller should move forward with the inquiry and report back on his findings.

The Board announced the upcoming Board meeting to be held on November 4, 2013.

A motion to adjourn was made by Timothy Frazier, seconded by Jeffrey Miller and the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Frances E. Silipo

District Clerk