

Springfield Township Board of Education
Jobstown, NJ 08041
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 11, 2015

Call to Order: A **Work Session** of the Springfield Township Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Eaton on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the school library.

Roll Call of Members:

Andrew Eaton, President-present	Kristen Lippincott-present
Gregory Madia, Vice President-departed at 7:08 p.m./ returned at 8:47 p.m.	Michael Ritterman-absent
Joseph Bucs-present	Dennis Schmieder-present
Christopher Corbo-arrived at 7:47 p.m.	James Specca-present
Wade Hale-present	

Others present:

Edith Conroy; Christina Moskal; Scott Downie, Spiezle Architectural Group

Public Notice:

As per the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6, notice of this work session of the Springfield Township Board of Education to be held on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 6:30 p.m., in the library, in Jobstown, New Jersey.

Sent to: Burlington County Times
Board of Education Members
Springfield Township Clerk

Posted: Springfield Township School
Board of Education Office
Springfield Twp. Municipal Building, Jobstown, NJ

Pledge of Allegiance:

The President led the Board and the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Before a matter is placed on the agenda, Administration has thoroughly reviewed it. Board Members preview the agenda items five days prior to the meeting and discuss questionable items with the Superintendent.

The Springfield Township BOE welcomes public comment during our public meetings. Please be advised, neither School Board Members nor Administration shall engage the audience in dialogue or attempt to respond to a particular comment at that time. However, the appropriate Administrator or Board Representative will issue a reply in a timely manner. If a response is requested, please provide your contact information on the sign-in sheet or contact the Administration separately. Public Comment #1 is reserved for agenda specific comments or statements. Public Comment #2 is for general comments or statements.

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Public Comment #1: (Not to exceed 30 minutes)

1. Mr. Smith gave a presentation about educational reform and curriculum that drives the facility with an analogy of a Tyrannosaurus Rex and the referendum.

ACTION ITEM (Estimated time: 15 minutes)

1. POLICY

Based on the recommendation of the Superintendent, I move that the following policy action(s) be approved:

a. Approval – First Reading – Policy and Procedures #2622

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve for first reading the following revised policy and new procedures as prepared by Strauss Esmay:

Policy #2622	Student Assessment	Revised
	Student Assessment Procedure	New

Motion to amend Policy #2622: Specca **Second: Hale**

Roll Call Vote: Yes: Hale/Lippincott/Schmieder/Specca/Eaton

No: Bucs/Madia

Approval: 5-2 (Corbo/Ritterman-Absent)

Motion to amend choices to Procedure #2622: Hale **Second: Madia**

Roll Call Vote: All Yes

Approval: 7-0 (Corbo/Ritterman-Absent)

Motion to Approve First Reading as amended: Madia **Second: Specca**

Roll Call Vote: Yes: Bucs/Eaton/Hale/Lippincott/Madia/Specca

No: Schmieder

Approval: 6-1 (Corbo/Ritterman-Absent)

Referendum Discussion: (Estimated time: 15 minutes)

Scott Downie of Spiezle Architectural Group will be present to discuss the upcoming referendum and answer questions.

The following topics will be reviewed by Edith Conroy and Jared Fudurich:

(Estimated time: 60 minutes)

- Review of NJ School Performance Report
- HIB Self-Assessment Report
- PARCC/NJSMART Student Data Collection

Preparation of February 18, 2015 Agenda (Estimated time: 60 minutes)

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Work Session Topics *(Estimated time: 90 minutes)*

1. Pre-School Tuition and Enrollment for Multiple Family Members
2. 2015-16 Preliminary Budget Overview

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mr. Bucs updated the Board on the Ad Hoc Student Data Privacy Committee.
2. Mr. Schmieder informed the Board that Home and School parents would like to be involved in knocking on doors for the referendum.

Public Comment #2: *(Not to exceed 30 minutes)*

1. Mr. W. Smith informed the Board of a conversation with an individual associated with the University of Penn Medical Program regarding an international world class magnet school for Springfield. There is no business plan for the magnet school as of yet.
2. Mr. T. Pantano asked how the rate of fixed costs are increasing and are we able to control it? I have an obligation to understand that this is a bare bones budget. Board can operate with a corporate mindset.

Motion to Enter Executive Session: Time: 11:29 p.m.

Purpose: Personnel/Negotiations

Motion: Bucs

Second: Corbo

Approval: 8-0 (Ritterman-Absent)

Motion to return to Regular Session: Time: 12:16 a.m.

Motion: Schmieder

Second: Madia

Approval: 8-0 (Ritterman-Absent)

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Motion to adjourn: _____ **Time:** 12:17 a.m.
Motion: Bucs **Second:** Hale
Approval: 8-0 (Ritterman-Absent)

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Moskal
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary