

**SPRING LAKE BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
March 18, 2019, 6:30 PM**

**I. Call to order:** Mr. Worth called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and announced that the meeting was called in accordance with the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act," C.231, PL. 1975, and notices were forwarded to newspapers, to Board members and were posted as required.

<b>Roll Call</b>	Present	Arrived at	Absent	Time: 6:30	PM
Mr. Worth	X				
Mrs. Giblin	X				
Mr. Ferraro	X				
Mrs. Matuch	X				
Mrs. Valori	X				

Also present: Dr. Raymond J. Boccuti - Superintendent, CSA; Denise McCarthy - SBA/BS; Paul Griggs, Esq.- Board Attorney

**II. Flag salute**

**III. Executive Session - 6:30 PM**

**RESOLVED:** The Spring Lake Borough Board of Education hereby convenes to executive session for discussion of the following subjects: Attorney/Client Privilege, Legal, Personnel.

It is anticipated the executive session will take approximately one hour; the Board will not take action when it reconvenes to public session; and the minutes of the executive session shall be released to the public when the reason for the executive session discussion no longer exists.

On motion to enter Executive Session by Mrs. Giblin and seconded by Mr. Ferraro  
Executive session was entered into at 6:35 p.m.

Roll Call: 5-0

<u>Y</u> Mr. Ferraro	<u>Y</u> Mrs. Giblin	<u>Y</u> Mrs. Matuch	<u>Y</u> Mrs. Valori	<u>Y</u> Mr. Worth
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On motion to exit Executive Session by Mrs. Giblin and seconded by Mrs. Matuch  
Executive session was exited at 7:40 p.m :

Roll Call: 5-0

<u>Y</u> Mr. Ferraro	<u>Y</u> Mrs. Giblin	<u>Y</u> Mrs. Matuch	<u>Y</u> Mrs. Valori	<u>Y</u> Mr. Worth
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**IV. Adoption of Tentative Budget 2019-2020, Travel and Reserves**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the tentative budget be approved for the 2019-2020 School Year using the 2019-2020 State Aid award and the Secretary to the Board of Education be authorized to submit the following tentative Budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline of March 20, 2019:

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	<b>GENERAL</b>	<b>SPECIAL</b>	<b>DEBT</b>	
	<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>REVENUES</u></b>	<b><u>SERVICE</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
<b>2019-2020 Total Expenditures</b>	<u>\$7,611,382</u>	<u>\$280,752</u>	<u>\$161,200</u>	<u>\$8,053,334</u>
<b>Less: Anticipated Revenues</b>	<u>\$1,062,671</u>	<u>\$280,752</u>	<u>\$49,672</u>	<u>\$1,393,095</u>
<b>*Taxes to be Raised</b>	<u>\$6,548,711</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$111,528</u>	<u>\$6,660,239</u>

And to advertise said tentative budget in The Coast Star in accordance with the form required by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held in the library of H.W. Mountz Elementary School, 411 Tuttle Ave, Spring Lake, New Jersey on Monday, April 29, 2019 at 6:30 PM, in the library, for the purpose of conducting a Public Hearing on the Budget for the 2019-2020 School Year.

**Travel and Related Expense Reimbursement 2019-2020**

WHEREAS, the Spring Lake Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school District; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.2 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, a Board of Education may establish, for regular District business travel as defined in NJAC 6A:23A-1.2, which includes attendance at regularly scheduled in-State county meetings, Department or Association sponsored events or in-State professional development activities for which the registration fee does not exceed \$150.00 per employee or Board member, where prior Board approval shall not be required unless the annual threshold for a staff member exceeds \$1,500 in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of \$15,000 for all staff and Board members for the 2019-2020 school year.

**V. Public Comments on Agenda Item Only - Mrs. Galvin -** Voiced concerns about that she was shocked about what she read in the newspaper in reference to mathematics program cuts and that

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Mountz needs to be known for its superior programs, Mr. Daino - Questioned moving the 2% in staff cuts back into reserves, Mrs. DiFeo - Questioned the 2% cap and surplus, Mrs. Talucci - "Piggy backed" on Mrs. Galvin's comments about preserving math, Dr. Boccuti - Shared the mathematics courses tentatively scheduled for the middle school, Mr. Clark - Read a statement about finances over the past ten years. Mr. Clark asked if there was still a plan to make the Business Administrator position full time. He also felt the reductions should come from the administrative areas and not the teaching positions.

On motion by  Mrs. Matuch, and seconded by  Mrs. Giblin to approve tentative budget for the 2019-2020 School Year:

**Board Discussion** - Mr. Ferraro - Commented on the excessive surplus of the 2012-2013 school year era of having over a \$1M in surplus without designating anything for reserves, reviewed the history of why the Finance Committee worked to provide for 1.8 intervention positions, and stated while he appreciated the challenges he could not vote for a tentative budget that would not provide for the intervention positions, Mrs. Valori echoed Mr. Ferraro's but could not go as far as not voting for the tentative budget but would like the Board of Education and public to look at impact on programs.

Roll Call: 5-0

<u> N </u> Mr. Ferraro	<u> Y </u> Mrs. Giblin	<u> Y </u> Mrs. Matuch	<u> Y </u> Mrs. Valori	<u> Y </u> Mr. Worth
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**VI. Public Comments on Any Topic** - Mr. Talucci - Questioned current enrollment.

**VII. Adjourn**

On motion by  Mrs. Giblin, and seconded by  Mr. Ferraro:

Roll Call: 5-0

<u> Y </u> Mr. Ferraro	<u> Y </u> Mrs. Giblin	<u> Y </u> Mrs. Matuch	<u> Y </u> Mrs. Valori	<u> Y </u> Mr. Worth
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The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.