

Springfield Township School
Jobstown, NJ 08041
Tuesday, February 9, 2010

Call to Order: A **Special Meeting** of the Springfield Township Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Specca on Tuesday, February 9, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., in the school library.

Roll Call of Members:

J. Specca, President- present	J. Megariotis - absent
M. Goodwin, Vice President – absent (<i>arrived at 7:08 p.m.</i>)	R. Melillo - present
J. Ainsworth – present	M. Payne - present
D. Asselin - present	D. Reinisch - present
W. Klentzeris - present	

Others present:

Dr. Godett, Mr. Saragnese, Mr. Louis DeLosso, Mr. Notley, Mr. Romanoli, Mr. Dennis

Public Notice:

As per the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-6, notice of this special meeting of the Springfield Township Board of Education to be held on Tuesday, February 9, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., in the school 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.

Strategy Session

School District Architect, Mr. Lou DeLosso, and Mr. Rob Notley from Greyhawk, briefed the Board on modifications made to the most favorable referendum design options.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

The public shall be reminded that they should attempt to resolve the problems and/or complaints through initial contact with the appropriate staff. Such matters should only be brought to the Board of Education after all avenues within the administrative chain of command have been exhausted. In addition, items regarding personnel should follow the chain of command and any comments could hold the resident and the Board of Education liable.

Public Comment:

Mr. Dennis Schmeider commented on the need for organized parental support in any future referendum election.

REFERENDUM OPTIONS:

- A. Proceed with referendum as scheduled on March 9, 2010 – *No Action Needed*
- B. Rescind referendum scheduled and defer to future date – *Action necessary to so notify County Board of Elections*
- C. Reschedule referendum vote on Tuesday, April 20, 2010 along with vote on Annual School Budget – *No Action Needed*
- D. Reschedule Referendum for Tuesday, September 28, 2010 – *Action Necessary by July 30, 2010.*

The Board debated the “pros and cons” of each of the possible referendum dates. At the conclusion of the discussion, the following motions were offered:

Referendum Motion

Motion to proceed with the referendum election as scheduled for March 9, 2010.

Motion: Asselin

Second: Melillo

RCV: Asselin – Yes

Payne – Yes

Ainsworth – No

Reinisch – Yes

Klentzeris – No

Goodwin – No

Melillo – Yes

Specca – No

Action: Without a majority vote of those present the motion **failed (Yes -4/No – 4)**

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Referendum Motion

Motion to reschedule the referendum election to Tuesday, April 20, 2010.

Motion: Goodwin

Second: Klentzeris

RCV: Asselin – No

Melillo – No

Ainsworth – No

Payne – No

Klentzeris – Yes

Reinisch – No

Goodwin – Yes

Specca – Yes

Action: The motion to reschedule was **defeated (No – 5/Yes – 3)**

Referendum Motion

Motion to reconsider proceeding with the referendum election on Tuesday, March 9, 2010.

Motion: Ainsworth

Second: Asselin

RCV: Asselin – Yes

Payne - Yes

Ainsworth – Yes

Reinisch - Yes

Klentzeris – No

Goodwin - No

Melillo – Yes

Specca – No

Action: The motion to reconsider and proceed on March 9, 2010 **passed (Yes – 5/
No – 3)**

The Board requested a special work session beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2010 to determine the final referendum design option among options #2, #5, and #10.

Motion to adjourn: _____

Time: 8:10 p.m.

Motion: Payne

Second: Ainsworth

Approval: 8-0

Respectfully submitted,

W. Daniel Saragnese
SBA/BS