SPRINGWATER ENVORONMENTAL SCIENCES SCHOOL

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**MEETING MINUTES**

February 8, 2023

6:00pm

Held at Springwater Environmental Sciences School

16491 S. Springwater Rd. Oregon City, Oregon 97045

And Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMtc-6srToqE9WntfYn6KkzeeuXb1bi8bca>

Greg Mylet (greg@springwaterschool.com) or Nathalie Doherty (nathalied@springwaterschool.com) can accept public comment related to posted agenda items prior to the meeting and they will be read aloud during the public comment time.

**(Executive Session ORS 192.066(k))**

“To consider matters relating to school safety or a plan that responds to safety threats made towards the school.”

**Members Present:** Tina Marquez, Cinda Scott, Nathalie Doherty, Sarah Head, Jessica Henrickson, Lissa Hettervig, Tory Blackwell (6:04pm)

**Non-Voting Member Present:** Greg Mylet

**Staff Present:** Jen Wozniak

**Community Present:** Jim Seipel

**Call to Order: 6:02pm**

**Motion to approve meeting minutes January 11, 2023- Approved by ALL**

**Principal Report-**

Snow Day was very successful, the best turn out ever. We sold 300 tickets.

Staff/teachers had another successful Professional Development with Lisa Tyler

* Identify the next steps.
* Build flow chart of behaviors and follow up.
* Create a unified reporting and communication system.
* Continuing to develop a culture of caring at Springwater.
* Parent teacher conferences are next week.
* Peace, love, and pancakes is just around the corner.

Sarah- Asks about FERPA info.

Greg- We currently are using Synergy; however, we don’t like it.

Tory- Who can pull the date? Greg, Tony, SPED teachers.

6:13pm Jim Seipel Joins meeting.

Tory- Negative behaviors are usually documented, could we also document the positive ones?

Jen- We did this at the beginning of year with Lisa.

Sarah- Jen how has the training been for teachers?

Jen- Positive, it reminds us to slow down, build community, keep bodies regulated.

Lissa- This could be something relayed at morning meeting and weekly acknowledgement.

Greg- We have been highlighting good behavior. I am hesitant to take on a whole new curriculum around it, like some other schools use.

Jessica- We could role model at home if families knew how to present it and what to say to their children.

Tory- How to involve the kids in the process? Discussion with kids what do you do to help your friends out, to create a culture of caring.

**Search for 2023-2024 new board members-**

Lissa- I talked with several people at snow day.

Greg- I will put it in the weekly.

Tory- I’ve talked to a few people.

Nathalie- I would like to do an evening Zoom Q&A session. Discuss what it is that we do, qualifications, time commitment, etc.

Sarah- I will make a poster for it.

Nathalie- I will provide the bullet points for Sarah.

Tory- I suggest a QR code so it can direct people to the information and they can look at it later.

**Public Comment:**

Jim Seipel- Architect Update:

I’ve gotten a lot of feedback from Cole Architect ALSC, most people said there is not enough money in the budget. Henibury Eddie Architects, Waector Architects came out and we received a proposal for K-12. Soderstrom- We received a proposal from them, they have K-12 experience.

Bora Architect- We received a proposal a contract last week.

Once we receive all proposals we will look at each of them. Soderstrom, Waechter, and Bora are all interested. Then we will get feedback and decide.

* Heating should be done next week.
* We are looking at pavement improvements under the covered space.
* We are looking into a Well water grant to improve the drainage near the blacktop.

State Certification architect’s – Soderstrom, Maylem, McKenstrim

Once Greg and Jim receive the contracts they will send them out to board members for feedback and well decide at the March board meeting.

Sarah- Jim do you have experience with a TAP Grant?

Jim- Yes, every year there is a pre-approval process and condition assessment.

Sarah- Do we need to apply now?

Jim- O.C. can apply but not Springwater due to a Charter School. We have already missed the deadline it is Feb. 15th, for the following year. Once approved you have 1.5years to spend the money. The department of Education created a facilities branch.

Greg- Soderstrom was suggesting Grants, Marleen Gillis, we may apply for.

**Updates-**

Budget:

Checking account balance= $536,957.42

Savings account balance: $862,027.70

We made $327 in interest this year vs the usual $8. We are currently with US Bank.

Tory- Just a reminder we need people to join the Budget committee. March is a good time if people are interested in or curious about the School Budget they could join the Budget committee and if they are interested could join the Board later this year.

Greg- Reminder we are currently paying for the bus and hope to not next year. We are recording the bus expenditures. I have a meeting on Friday, if is not resolved we will pay First then get reimbursed the % from OCSD.

Nathalie- Was that in our motion when we approved the bus?

Tina- No I think it was a broad statement. I will look and send the specific motion to you.

Nathalie- We may need to modify our motion to be more specific in our motion for the next meeting.

**Website work group-**

Cross that off the list. Group was formed, new website created, people trained.

**Safety Committee-**

We met January 23rd to discuss items. We will have an executive session to discuss the details, short- and long-term plans.

**Facilities Update-**

The heat will be fixed next week, BCS switch to a new company regarding boilers.

We will be making pavement improvements.

There is a well water Grant- $50K to dig out the “ditch” and put in proper drainage. Kari Duncan is our well specialist, she is looking to see if we can get the grant.

**Fundraising-**

**Auction** paddle raiser- we would like to do a playground improvement, to allow for paving the blacktop.

Auction May 5th Barn Party theme, we need beer and wine for the wine pull.

**Parent Counsel**- Met and want to move the Jog a thon back to the campus and have the kids be sponsored and include VIP Day, move to near the end of the year. One love donation can be combined with peace love and pancakes.

**Close open session 7:12pm**

**Open Executive Session (ORS 192.006(K))**

**Open Regular Session and Adjourn: 7:37pm**