

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196
APRIL 16, 2012
5:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Sesser-Valier Community Unit School District No. 196 was held at the K-12 complex at 5:33 PM on Monday, April 16, 2012. Prior to the start of the meeting, Donnie Robbins led the board in prayer and Teresa Stacey led the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was called to order by President Chris Gore.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Eubanks called the roll with the following result:

Members Present: Bauman, Gore, Hicks, Jones, Kelly, Robbins, Stacey

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: J. Henry, W. Choate, J. Logsdon, V. Eubanks, T. Witcher, M. Sample

Visitors Present: None

PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE

Superintendent Henry presented a thank-you card to the board from Kristie Spotanski for the plant sent after her surgery.

REPORTS

SEA: No report.

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: No report.

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: Terry Witcher, Maintenance Supervisor, presented information to the board regarding the following: lockbox placed outside for the fire department that contains keys and contact information and starting date of planned summer construction projects.

K-8 PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, Elementary/JH Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, Kindergarten registration, upcoming activities, and recognitions and awards received by JH students. Mrs. Logsdon presented the Sesser-Valier Elementary/Junior High Student-Parent Handbook proposed revisions for 2012-2013. The most recent copy of the S-V Happenings was presented to the board members.

H.S. PRINCIPAL: Mr. Choate, High School Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, past activities, and upcoming activities. Mr. Choate presented the Sesser-Valier High School Student-Parent Handbook proposed revisions for 2012-2013 and the proposed revisions for the 2012-2013 Extracurricular Rules/Random Student Drug Testing Procedures.

SUPERINTENDENT: Mr. Henry, Superintendent, presented the following information to the board:

1. The consent agenda for this month's meeting includes the following additional item(s):
 - a. Authorization for Superintendent or designee to seek milk & bread bids for 2012-2013 school year
 - b. Authorization for Superintendent or designee to apply for state, federal, and/or private grants
 - c. Approval of special education workload plan
 - d. Approval of organizational chart for administration
 - e. Approval of succession of authority plan
 - f. Approval of resolution regarding holiday waivers
 - g. Approval of 2012-2013 Proposed Public School Calendar
 - h. Approval of charter bus contract for 2012 Senior Class trip
 - i. Adoption of a Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of Student Teachers from Southern Illinois University Carbondale for 2012-2013
 - j. Approval of Sesser-Valier Elementary/Junior High School student handbook for 2012-2013
 - k. Approval of Sesser-Valier High School student handbook for 2012-2013
 - l. Approval of district extracurricular rules and random drug testing procedures for 2012-2013
2. This month's board agenda includes approval of the necessary health/life/safety amendment to begin the process of replacing the district's outdated security camera system. Terry Witcher and Mr. Henry are also applying for a school maintenance grant to offset some of the cost of this project. It is hoped that this project will be completed by December 31, 2012.
3. For the past several years, the district has amended the budget in May & June of each year. Mr. Henry indicated that he is planning to recommend the same system this year, though the process may be slightly different due to the regular board meeting schedule for May & June, 2012. As a result, he needs the board to authorize & direct the superintendent to publicly display a tentative amended budget for Fiscal Year 2012 on or before May 11, 2012, so that the district will fulfill its obligation to have the tentative budget publicly available for no less than 30 days prior to final adoption (slated for June 11, 2012).
4. A copy of the following newsletter was presented to the board for review:
 - State School News Service (April 16, 2012)
5. As of this writing, the following Fiscal Year 2012 payments are due & payable to the school district:

Categorical Payments	Amount Due	Voucher Date	Regular Payment Date	Date Paid*
Special Education: Personnel	\$21,869.75	9/26/2011	9/30/2011	1/24/2012
	\$21,869.75	12/21/2011	12/30/2011	
	\$21,869.75	3/27/2012	3/30/2012	
	\$21,869.75		6/15/2012	
Special Education: Extraordinary	\$27,691.35	9/26/2011	9/30/2011	1/24/2012
	\$27,691.35	12/21/2011	12/30/2011	
	\$27,691.35	3/27/2012	3/30/2012	
	\$27,691.35		6/15/2012	
Transportation: Regular	\$46,867.05	9/26/2011	9/30/2011	1/24/2012
	\$46,698.81	12/27/2011	12/30/2011	
	\$46,698.81	3/28/2012	3/30/2012	
	\$46,698.81		6/15/2012	
Transportation: Special Education	\$15,030.60	9/26/2011	9/30/2011	1/24/2012
	\$15,030.60	12/27/2011	12/30/2011	
	\$15,030.60	3/28/2012	3/30/2012	
	\$15,030.60		6/15/2012	
Driver Education	\$3,100.89	9/26/2011	9/30/2011	2/27/2012
	\$3,100.89	12/27/2011	12/30/2011	
	\$3,100.89	3/19/2012	3/30/2012	
	\$3,100.89		6/15/2012	
Total	\$457,733.84			

**Total payments to date: \$114,559.64 (25.03% of payments due for FY12)*

Other state payments due & payable:

- Special Education-Orphanage: \$4,550.57
- DHS Teen REACH Grant Program: \$9,891.00

Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2012 State Payments: \$243,224.37

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Kelly approving the minutes of the previous meeting: March 12, 2012 (Regular Meeting); Treasurer's report; the bills in the amount of \$148,540.36 and salaries in the amount of \$341,528.22; authorization for Superintendent or designee to seek milk & bread bids for the 2012-2013 school year; authorization for Superintendent or designee to apply for state, federal, and/or private grants; approval of special education workload plan; approval of organizational chart for administration; approval of succession of authority plan; approval of resolution regarding holiday waivers; approval of the 2012-2013 Proposed Public School Calendar; approval of the charter bus contract for 2012 senior class trip; adoption of a Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of Student Teachers from Southern Illinois University Carbondale for 2012-2013; approval of the Sesser-Valier Elementary/Junior High School student handbook for 2012-2013; approval of the Sesser-Valier High School student handbook for 2012-2013; and approval of the district extracurricular rules and random drug testing procedures for 2012-2013, as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Bauman, Gore, Hicks, Jones, Kelly, Robbins, Stacey

Nays: None

There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF HEALTH/LIFE/SAFETY AMENDMENT (SECURITY CAMERA PROJECT): A motion was made by Jones and seconded by Bauman to approve a health/life/safety amendment for security camera replacement.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SCHOOL MAINTENANCE GRANT APPLICATION (SECURITY CAMERA PROJECT): A motion was made by Robbins and seconded by Kelly to approve a school maintenance grant application for security camera replacement.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT TO PUBLICLY DISPLAY TENTATIVE AMENDED BUDGET ON OR BEFORE MAY 11, 2012: A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Stacey to authorize and direct the district superintendent to publicly display a tentative amended budget for Fiscal Year 2012 on or before May 11, 2012.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

SCHEDULING OF HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TENTATIVE AMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012: A motion was made by Jones and seconded by Stacey to schedule a public hearing on a proposed amended budget for Fiscal Year 2012 for Monday, June 11, 2012, at 5:25 PM.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: At 6:24 PM, a motion was made by Bauman and seconded by Kelly to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing the following exceptions to the Open Meetings Act:

- a. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-57)
- b. Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning the salary schedules for one or more classes of employees (5ILCS 120/2(c)(2))

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Robbins, Stacey, Bauman, Gore, Hicks, Jones, Kelly

Nays: None

There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION: At 7:36 PM, a motion was made by Bauman and seconded by Stacey to reconvene from closed session.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH SESSER-VALIER EDUCATION ASSOCIATION: A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Stacey to approve a 3-year contract with the Sesser-Valier Education Association for the 2011-2012, 2012-2013, and 2013-2014 school years and to authorize the Board President and Board Secretary to execute the contract (by signature) on behalf of the Board.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Gore, Hicks, Jones, Kelly, Robbins, Stacey, Bauman

Nays: None

There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND/OR APPROVAL OF EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION(S) AND/OR AGREEMENT(S): A motion was made by Jones and seconded by Bauman to acknowledge the resignation of Mark Mikulay and approve an individual resignation agreement regarding said employee's resignation.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Hicks, Jones, Kelly, Robbins, Stacey, Bauman, Gore

Nays: None

There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

POSTING OF POSITION(S): A motion was made by Robbins and seconded by Kelly to post the following positions:

- K-12 Music Teacher (Band/Instrumental)
- Band Director
- Extracurricular Sponsor/Coach Vacancies: 7th/8th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach; 7th/8th Grade Girls' Basketball Coach; JHS Boys' Baseball Coach; JHS Cheerleading Sponsor; District Technology Coordinator; Marching Band Sponsor
- Extracurricular Sponsor/Coach Positions Held by non-SVEA members (these positions are posted as "receiving applications"; no vacancies currently exist in these positions): HS Girls' Volleyball Coach; JHS Girls' Volleyball Coach; JHS Girls' Softball Coach; HS Cheerleading Sponsor; Junior Class Sponsor

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Superintendent Henry reminded the board that the policy revisions effective March 1, 2012, should be placed in the board policy manuals. Also, he reviewed the Mikulay resignation agreement and outlined the three components contained within: Pay salary until end of current school year; pay \$5,000 in exchange for employee resignation; and district will not contest unemployment claim.

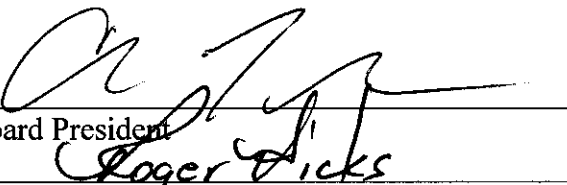
ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Hicks and seconded by Stacey to adjourn.

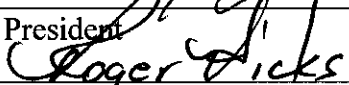
Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 PM.

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES

The above-listed account of the regular meeting of the Board of Education of Sesser-Valier Community Unit School District No. 196, held on Monday, April 16, 2012, at 5:33 PM, is, to the best of my knowledge, a true and accurate account of the aforementioned meeting.



Board President


Board Secretary

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING
REGARDING THE SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL
DISTRICT #196
APPLICATION FOR HOLIDAY WAIVER**

APRIL 16, 2012

A public hearing regarding Sesser-Valier CUSD #196's option to hold school or schedule teachers' institutes, parent-teacher conferences, and/or staff development activities on legal school holidays was held at 5:25 PM in the high school library on Monday, April 16, 2012. The hearing was called to order by Superintendent Jason Henry.

Board Members Present: Bauman, Gore, Hicks, Jones, Kelly, Robbins, Stacey

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: J. Henry, J. Logsdon, W. Choate, V. Eubanks, T. Witcher,
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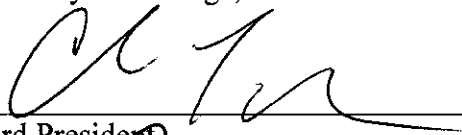
Visitors Present: None

Mr. Henry explained that the process for waivers to school holidays has been changed and one waiver can be approved that will cover all holidays. He then presented the resolution requesting the waivers. The district currently waives Casimir Pulaski Day and Lincoln's birthday. Mr. Henry asked for any public comments. None were forthcoming. No written comments were submitted.

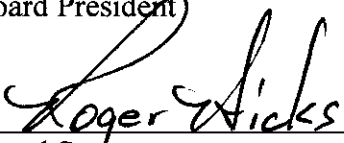
Mr. Henry closed the hearing at 5:32 PM.

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