

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196
FEBRUARY 13, 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 5:30 PM on Monday, February 13, 2012. Prior to the start of the meeting, Chris Gore led the board in prayer and Tina Bauman 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, Jones, Kelly, Robbins, Stacey

Members Absent: Hicks

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

Visitors Present: None

President Gore appointed Teresa Stacey as acting secretary in the absence of Roger Hicks.

PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE

None.

REPORTS

SEA: No report.

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: No report.

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: Terry Witcher, Maintenance Supervisor, presented information to the board regarding the following: summer projects and architect suggested changes in specifications.

K-8 PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, Elementary/JH Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, recent activities, upcoming activities, and the ISAT testing schedule. The most recent copies of the S-V Happenings were presented to the board members.

H.S. PRINCIPAL: Mr. Choate, High School Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, recent activities, upcoming activities (including PSAE

testing date), and the S-V Holiday Tournament Report. Discussion regarding the information wanted from the City to include with the newsletter now being mailed with the water bills. Discussion regarding the fan movement during the ballgames (improvement seen since signs have been posted and announcements have been made during ballgames).

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):
 - Approval of the new and/or revised board policies (final approval; effective March 1, 2012).
2. As of this writing, the board goal-setting work is substantially complete. Following the board's approval of the compiled document, the administration will be exploring methods to distribute the document to the district's constituents.
3. This month's board agenda includes approval of the Summer, 2012, health-life-safety projects that have been discussed for the past several months. Following board approval of the contracts, Superintendent Henry expects that some of the contractors may begin ordering and storing supplies for this work, at which time they may submit pay requests upon showing proof of possession of the supplies and that the supplies are insured.
4. Mr. Choate, Ms. Eubanks, and Mr. Henry have prepared an estimate of the cost for the district to provide transportation for high school students who participate in our cooperative baseball & softball program with Waltonville High School. Based on the best guess about how many trips, the duration of trips, and the necessary trip mileage, the cost is estimated as follows:
 - District-provided transportation: \$3,905
 - Beck Bus-provided transportation: \$4,377

If the board desires to provide this service on a trial basis, Mr. Henry recommends that the district first "test" the service using Beck Bus as the provider.

5. Attached is a copy of a letter that the district received from State Bank of Whittington regarding their plan to provide for the collateralization of the district's deposits.
6. Attached is a copy of the following newsletters and/or reports for review:
 - State School News Service (February 6, 2012)
 - Illinois School Policy Updates (February 7, 2012; February 9, 2012)
7. 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		3/30/2012	
	\$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		3/30/2012	
	\$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		3/30/2012	
	\$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		3/30/2012	
	\$15,030.60		6/15/2012	
Driver Education	\$3,100.89	9/26/2011	9/30/2011	
	\$3,100.89	12/27/2011	12/30/2011	
	\$3,100.89		3/30/2012	
	\$3,100.89		6/15/2012	
Total	\$457,733.84			

**Total payments to date: \$111,458.75 (24.35% of due-to-date for FY12)*

Other state payments due & payable:

- Special Education-Orphanage: \$3,033.72
- DHS Teen REACH Grant Program: \$12,808.00

Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2012 State Payments: \$133,334.01

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Bauman approving the minutes of the previous meeting: January 9, 2012 (Regular Meeting); Treasurer's report; the bills in the amount of \$246,438.74 and salaries in the amount of \$341,318.08; and approval of the new and/or revised board policies (final approval; effective March 1, 2012), as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

REVIEW ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND/OR ACCEPTANCE OF LOW BIDS FOR SUMMER, 2012, HEALTH-LIFE-SAFETY PROJECTS: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Robbins to acknowledge the following low bids for Summer, 2012, health-life-safety projects:

- Asbestos Abatement Project: A & A Abatement Services (\$24,800)
- Flooring Replacement Project: Richardet Flooring (\$180,043)
- Electrical Upgrade Project: All Purpose Erectors (\$218,481)
- Old Gym Roof Replacement Project: Kehrer Brothers Construction (\$56,730)

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF STANDARD FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR (ASBESTOS ABATEMENT PROJECT): A motion was made by Jones and seconded by Stacey to approve a Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor with A & A Abatement Services.

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF STANDARD FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR (FLOORING REPLACEMENT PROJECT): A motion was made by Robbins and seconded by Jones to approve a Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor with Richardet Flooring.

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF STANDARD FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR (ELECTRICAL UPGRADE/FOOTBALL FIELD LIGHTING PROJECT): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Bauman to approve a Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor with All Purpose Erectors.

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF STANDARD FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR (OLD GYM ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT): A motion was made by Jones and seconded by Stacey to approve a Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor with Kehrer Brothers Construction.

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE HEALTH-LIFE-SAFETY PROJECT AGREEMENTS: A motion was made by Bauman and seconded by Stacey to authorize and direct the District Superintendent or his designee to execute Summer, 2012, health-life-safety project agreements/contracts.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE HEALTH-LIFE-SAFETY PROJECT CHANGE ORDERS (IF ANY): A motion was made by Jones and seconded by Stacey to authorize and direct the District Superintendent or his designee to execute Summer, 2012, health-life-safety project change orders, if any, so long as any individual change order does not exceed \$25,000.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT TO ENGAGE PROPERTY TAX/BOND COUNSEL (CHAPMAN & CUTLER): Superintendent Henry informed the board members that he had received an inquiry from a board member regarding the possibility of issuing a property tax abatement using the 1% County Sales Tax revenue. He indicated that he had researched the 2000 Bond Sale and the 2004 Bond sale and found that the abatement would not be appropriate for 2012 due to the timeline for receipt of 1% sales tax proceeds (for tax year 2013, process must be completed by March, 2013). Superintendent Henry indicated that the process, if desired, would need to be completed by Chapman & Cutler (original bond sales

counsel). A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Jones to authorize the district superintendent to engage Chapman & Cutler as property tax and/or bond counsel.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF NEW COMMERCIAL LAWN MOWER: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Robbins to approve the purchase of a new commercial lawn mower, as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION FOR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT OR DESIGNEE TO DISPOSE (BY SALE) OF SURPLUS PROPERTY (LAWN MOWER): A motion was made by Jones and seconded by Kelly to authorize the District Superintendent or his designee to dispose (by sale) of surplus property (used commercial lawn mover).

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

REVIEW AND/OR APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL & SOFTBALL PLAYERS (WALTONVILLE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM): A motion was made by Bauman and seconded by Stacey to authorize and direct provision of district provided transportation for high school baseball and softball players by Beck Bus Transportation as an option for participants (i.e.- not required).

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COMPILED BOARD GOALS/INDICATORS DOCUMENT (FINAL APPROVAL): A motion was made by Robbins and seconded by Stacey to approve the compiled board goals/indicators document (final approval), substantially as presented.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION: At 6:45 PM, a motion was made by Bauman and seconded by Robbins 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: Gore, Jones, Kelly, Robbins, Stacey, Bauman

Nays: None

There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION: At 8:28 PM, a motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Bauman to reconvene from closed session.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS (PERSONNEL)

EMPLOYMENT OF EXTRACURRICULAR COACH(ES) AND/OR SPONSOR(S): A motion was made by Jones and seconded by Kelly to employ Johnny Hollis as High School Head Football Coach.

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

POSTING OF POSITION(S): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Bauman to post the following position:

- High School Football Assistant Coach

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION(S): A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Stacey to acknowledge the following employee resignation:

- High School Office Secretary/Clerk: Cheryl Dame (effective at the conclusion of the 2011-2012 school year)

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VOLUNTEER EXTRACURRICULAR COACH(ES) AND/OR SPONSOR(S): A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Jones to approve the following extracurricular coaches and/or sponsors:

- JHS Volleyball: Cindy Crocker, Dusty Gibbs

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Superintendent Henry presented information regarding an incident that occurred at a high school basketball game on Thursday, February 2, 2012, that resulted in three individuals being issued No Trespassing Orders by Sesser Police on school district property. Discussion followed.

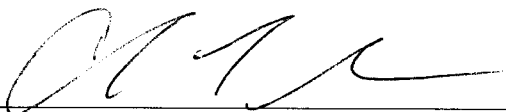
ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Jones to adjourn.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being six (6) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 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, February 13, 2012, at 5:30 PM, is, to the best of my knowledge, a true and accurate account of the aforementioned meeting.



Board President



Board Secretary