

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196
OCTOBER 17, 2011
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, October 17, 2011. Prior to the start of the meeting, Donnie Robbins led the board in prayer and Jon Jones 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, J. Logsdon, W. Choate, V. Eubanks, T. Witcher, M. Sample,
P. Sample

Visitors Present: None

PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE

None

REPORTS

SEA: No report.

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: No report.

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: No report.

K-8 PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, Elementary/JH Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund and upcoming activities. 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, enrollment, upcoming calendar entries, past activities, professional development activities for teachers, and the 2011-2012 season ticket prices and procedures.

Donnie Robbins asked for discussion on possible discipline action regarding a spectator's inappropriate behavior at a football game. Discussion followed regarding the incident; the status of the investigation; and need for aggressive approach to help deter such actions.

Jon Jones asked for discussion regarding students attending an FFA Conference receiving a consequence for missing football practice. Discussion followed.

Chris Gore asked for discussion on the RLC music appreciation class requirements and the lack of a band fieldtrip. Discussion followed.

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):

- Adoption of Resolutions Approving Amendment No. 1 to Rate Guarantee Agreement (Illinois School District Agency)
- Adoption of Resolutions Approving Amendment No. 1 to Rate Guarantee Agreement (Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Trust)
- Approval of the 2011-2012 library media program evaluation.

2. Mr. Henry reported that the board goal-setting subgroup work is progressing as planned. The finance sub-group met on Tuesday, September 27th, and the facility subgroup met on Thursday, October 6th. Both groups completed their work and have submitted draft goals/indicators for board consideration.

The program/curriculum sub-group is scheduled to meet on Monday, October 24th, and the community relations sub-group is scheduled to meet on Thursday, October 27th. The final two groups (HR/personnel & student achievement) will meet over the next 4-5 weeks. Mr. Henry reported that he is hoping to have a comprehensive plan document drafted by mid-January, 2012.

3. As was discussed during the regular June, 2011, board meeting, the district is currently moving forward with Lunsford Architects on the following proposed health/life/safety projects:

- Walk-in Freezer Cooling Unit Replacement (mechanical only)
- Walk-in Cooler Cooling Unit Replacement (mechanical only)
- Junior High/High School Carpet/Flooring Replacement (**requires abatement project**)
- Old Gym Roof Repair and/or Replacement
- Football Field Light Replacement
- Security Camera System Replacement (**project delayed**)

Health/life/safety amendments (ISBE forms) are slated for approval at this board meeting, and the district will be ready to receive bids, when required, on the projects after the HLS amendments are approved by ISBE. The goal is to structure the projects for completion by Summer, 2012.

4. At the regular November, 2011, board meeting, Mr. Henry will present the proposed 2011 tentative tax levy for board approval. He expects the process and the recommended levy to be very similar to what has been done in the past 4-5 years.
5. As of this writing, the following Fiscal Year 2011 payments are due & payable to the school district:

Categorical Payments	Amount Due	Voucher Date	Regular Payment Date	Date Paid*
Special Education:	\$24,665.00	9/27/2010	9/30/2010	3/11/2011
Personnel	\$24,665.00	12/27/2010	12/30/2010	5/24/2011
	\$24,665.00	3/28/2011	3/30/2011	7/22/2011
	\$24,665.00	6/16/2011	6/15/2011	9/12/2011
Special Education:	\$28,075.33	9/27/2010	9/30/2010	3/17/2011
Extraordinary	\$28,075.33	12/27/2010	12/30/2010	6/17/2011
	\$28,075.33	3/28/2011	3/30/2011	8/2/2011
	\$28,075.33	6/16/2011	6/15/2011	9/16/2011
Transportation:	\$51,065.20	9/27/2010	9/30/2010	3/16/2011
Regular	\$49,398.73	12/27/2010	12/30/2010	6/16/2011
	\$52,035.94	3/28/2011	3/30/2011	7/29/2011
	\$52,035.93	6/16/2011	6/15/2011	9/16/2011
Transportation:	\$13,594.80	9/27/2010	9/30/2010	3/15/2011
Special Education	\$13,594.80	12/27/2010	12/30/2010	6/14/2011
	\$13,594.80	3/28/2011	3/30/2011	7/26/2011
	\$13,594.80	6/16/2011	6/15/2011	9/14/2011
Total	\$469,876.32			

*Total payments to date: \$469,876.32 (100.0% of due-to-date for FY11)

Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2011 State Payments: \$0

As of the end of September, 2011, Fiscal Year 2012 payments started to become due & payable. The FY12 state payment summary will begin in the November, 2011, superintendent's report.

PRESENTATION OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE:

Mrs. Logsdon presented a report regarding the 2011 ISBE School Report Card for both the elementary and junior high schools, which included student performance on standardized tests (ISAT), successful completion of the curriculum, attendance, and drop-out rates. She reported to the Board on her findings as to student performance and her recommendations for curriculum or instructional changes as a result of her evaluation of student performance.

Mr. Choate presented a report regarding the 2011 ISBE School Report Card for the high school, which included student performance on standardized tests (PSAE), successful completion of the curriculum, attendance, and drop-out rates. He reported to the Board on his findings as to student performance and his recommendations for curriculum or instructional changes as a result of his evaluation of student performance.

Mr. Henry presented a report regarding the 2011 ISBE School Report Card for the district, which included student performance on standardized tests (ISAT & PSAE), successful completion of the curriculum, attendance, and drop-out rates. He reported to the Board on his findings as to student performance and his recommendations for curriculum or instructional changes as a result of his evaluation of student performance.

Discussion followed regarding the areas of concern and how the district is addressing those concerns.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Bauman approving the minutes of the previous meeting: September 12, 2011 (Regular Meeting); Treasurer's report; bills in the amount of \$148,747.05 and salaries in the amount of \$332,153.37; adoption of the Resolutions Approving Amendment No. 1 to Rate Guarantee Agreement (Illinois School District Agency); adoption of the Resolutions Approving Amendment No. 1 to Rate Guarantee Agreement (Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Trust); and approval of the library media program evaluation, 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 3-YEAR DISTRICT AUDIT AGREEMENT: A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Jones to approve a 3-year district audit agreement with Glass & Shuffett, Ltd., as presented.

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.

APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO USE FIRE PREVENTION & SAFETY FUNDS (HEALTH/LIFE/SAFETY AMENDMENTS): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Robbins to approve a Request for Authorization to Use Fire Prevention &

Safety Funds (Health/Life/Safety Amendments) for the main K-12 campus building, as presented.

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.

APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO USE FIRE PREVENTION & SAFETY FUNDS (HEALTH/LIFE/SAFETY AMENDMENTS): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Bauman to approve a Request for Authorization to Use Fire Prevention & Safety Funds (Health/Life/Safety Amendments) for the old gym building, as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

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

APPROVAL & DISPLAY OF BOARD FINANCE GOALS/INDICATORS (1ST READING): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Jones to accept and approve board finance goals/indicators for public display (1st reading).

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

APPROVAL & DISPLAY OF BOARD FACILITY GOALS/INDICATORS (1ST READING): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Jones to accept and approve board facility goals/indicators for public display (1st reading).

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

CLOSED SESSION: At 7:49 PM, a motion was made by Robbins 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 District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)).

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

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

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION: At 8:26 PM, a motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Bauman to reconvene from closed session.

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

NEW BUSINESS (PERSONNEL)

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

- HS Girls Basketball Head Coach: Brian Gibson (effective October 12, 2011)

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

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

- HS Boys' Basketball: Nick Laur
- Teen REACH After-School Program Tutor: Jason Adams

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

POSTING OF POSITION: A motion was made by Jones and seconded by Stacey to post the following position:

- Elementary Classroom Teacher (1st Grade; Temporary Maternity Leave)

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

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

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

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

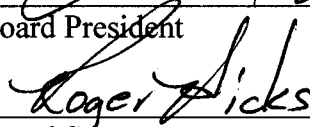
The meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM.

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, October 17, 2011 at 5:30 PM, is, to the best of my knowledge, a true and accurate account of the aforementioned meeting.



Board President



Board Secretary