

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196
JULY 13, 2015
6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Sesser-Valier Community Unit School District No. 196 was held in the High School Library at 6:00 PM on Monday, July 13, 2015. The meeting was called to order by President Carroll Kelly.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Malinee called the roll with the following result:

Members Present: Acosta, Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey

Members Absent: Gulley

Staff Present: J. Henry, J. Logsdon, N. Page, B. Dilliner, V. Malinee, S. White,
R. Schwartzkopf

Visitors Present: None

PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE

Superintendent Henry presented a thank you note to the board for expression of sympathy (memorial donation to the Benton Public Library) from the family of Jeannine Smith.

REPORTS

SEA: No report.

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: No report.

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: Brandon Dilliner , Maintenance Supervisor, presented information regarding the lighting project (the project almost completed).

K-8 PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, Elementary/JH Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, upcoming activities and dates, and enrollment information. Discussion was held regarding the average class size and number of sections. Superintendent Henry indicated that the enrollment numbers will be looked at very closely closer to the beginning of the school year.

H.S. PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Page, High School Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, upcoming calendar entries, the Walt Disney World Marching Band Trip, and a report on her progress on preparing for the new school year as high school

principal. Mrs. Page wanted to publically thank Mr. Choate for his help in preparing her for the new job.

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. Approval of the Illinois Association of School Boards Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Trust (WCSIT) Intergovernmental Cooperative Pooling Agreement;
 - b. Approval of the Illinois School District Agency Agreement (insurance);
 - c. Approval & display of revised board policies (1st reading; 13 policies).
2. School funding for Fiscal Year 2016 remains somewhat uncertain, despite the enactment of the school budget bills in the Illinois General Assembly. Superintendent Henry indicated that he believes the district will receive some of the reported General State Aid proration "payback," but how much remains to be seen (one recent ISBE estimate was about \$100,000). The district will continue to see a statewide budget stalemate, and, until that conflict is resolved, most likely school funding will be uncertain for FY16.
3. At its June, 2015, meetings, the Franklin-Jefferson Special Education Cooperative adopted a new operating agreement for member districts. The new agreement addresses the composition of the Governing Board, recent school consolidations, and some technical voting requirements that were long-since outdated. Superintendent Henry indicated that if board members have any specific questions about these changes, to let him know.
4. As of July 13, 2015, the following Fiscal Year 2015 payments are due & payable to the school district:

Categorical Payments	Amount Due	Voucher Date	Regular Payment Date	Date Paid*
Special Education: Personnel	\$21,833.37	9/24/2014	9/30/2014	12/29/2014
	\$21,833.37	12/22/2014	12/30/2014	3/24/2015
	\$20,915.93	3/30/2015	3/30/2015	4/24/2015
	\$20,915.93	6/17/2015	6/20/2015	
Special Education: Extraordinary	\$23,198.00	9/24/2014	9/30/2014	12/29/2014
	\$23,198.00	12/22/2014	12/30/2014	3/30/2015
	\$22,153.00	3/30/2015	3/30/2015	4/27/2015
	\$22,153.00	6/17/2015	6/20/2015	
Transportation: Regular	\$49,664.51	9/24/2014	9/30/2014	12/29/2014
	\$49,275.03	12/22/2014	12/30/2014	3/25/2015
	\$47,913.49	3/30/2015	3/30/2015	4/27/2015
	\$47,913.49*	6/17/2015	6/20/2015	
Transportation: Special Education	\$16,897.14	9/24/2014	9/30/2014	12/29/2014
	\$16,754.74	12/22/2014	12/30/2014	3/24/2015
	\$15,993.91	3/30/2015	3/30/2015	4/27/2015
	\$15,993.91*	6/17/2015	6/20/2015	

Driver	\$2,494.72	9/24/2014	9/30/2014	9/29/2014
Education	\$2,494.72	12/22/2014	12/30/2014	12/30/2014
	\$2,494.72	3/30/2015	3/30/2015	3/31/2015
	\$2,494.72	6/17/2015	6/20/2015	6/22/2015
Total	\$446,585.70**			

**Estimated payments; **previous amount was \$454,947.28*

Total payments to date: \$339,609.37 (76.05% of payments due for FY15)

Other state payments due & payable:

- DHS Teen REACH Grant Program: \$18,710.08

Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2015 State Payments: \$125,686.41

Superintendent Henry also presented the status of the mandatory board training (all board members have completed required training).

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks approving the minutes of the previous meeting: June 8, 2015 (Regular Meeting); Treasurer's report; the bills in the amount of \$248,263.33 and salaries in the amount of \$398,272.14; approval of the Illinois Association of School Boards Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Trust (WCSIT) Intergovernmental Cooperative Pooling Agreement; approval of the Illinois School District Agency Agreement (insurance); and approval and display of the revised board policies (1st reading), as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Acosta, Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, 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

APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR MILK & BREAD FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR:

Discussion regarding the bids for the milk and bread products for the upcoming school year was held. A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Robbins to approve a 2015-2016 bread bid/proposal from Lewis Bakeries, as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Acosta

Nays: None

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

A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Acosta to approve a 2015-2016 milk proposal from Chester Dairy, as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Acosta

Nays: None

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

APPROVAL OF XEROX LEASE AGREEMENT: Superintendent Henry presented information on the three-year lease agreement with Xerox. A motion was made by Robbins and seconded by Stacey to approve a Xerox copier lease proposal, as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Acosta, Hicks

Nays: None

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

STATUS OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Robbins to keep all closed session minutes closed to the public.

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

DESTRUCTION OF CLOSED SESSION VERBATIM RECORD AUDIO RECORDINGS: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to authorize and direct the Superintendent to destroy the verbatim closed session records (audio recordings) for the following closed session meetings: July 15, 2013; August 12, 2013; September 16, 2013; October 15, 2013; November 12, 2013.

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 6:28 PM, a motion was made by Loucks and seconded by Stacey 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)

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Stacey, Acosta, Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins

Nays: None

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

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION: At 7:09 PM, a motion was made by Acosta and seconded by Stacey 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.

EMPLOYMENT OF K-12 MUSIC TEACHER (BAND/INSTRUMENTAL)(ZURLIENE, MEGAN): A motion was made by Acosta and seconded by Stacey to employ Megan Zurliene as K-12 Music Teacher (Instrumental), Band Director (extra-duty), and Marching Band sponsor (extra-duty), subject to her successful completion of a required fingerprint-based criminal background check.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Acosta

Nays: None

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

EMPLOYMENT OF COOK (KITCHEN PERSONNEL; PART-TIME)(KOPEC, PATRICIA): A motion was made by Loucks and seconded by Stacey to employ Patricia Kopec as a part-time cook (Kitchen Personnel), subject to her successful completion of a required fingerprint-based criminal background check.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Acosta

Nays: None

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

APPROVAL OF VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH(ES) AND/OR SPONSOR(S): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to approve the following volunteer extracurricular coach(es) and/or sponsor(s):

- HS Football: Jonathan Sargent
- HS Cheerleading: Chrissy Vickers, Mary Jane Witcher
- JHS Girls' Softball: Tara Neikes, Tammy LeVault, Eric Saunders
- JHS Baseball: Danny Kirk

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

AUTHORIZE SUPERINTENDENT TO POST POSITIONS ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Robbins to authorize the Superintendent to post positions on an as-needed basis. Kevin Acosta asked for discussion regarding the posting of positions/vacancies. Superintendent Henry outlined the current posting procedures for low, middle, and high level positions. Board asked Superintendent Henry to research the process of posting positions on web-site using a link to the Illinois Job Bank.

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

AUTHORIZE SUPERINTENDENT TO MAKE FACULTY/STAFF TRANSFERS AND/OR APPOINTMENTS ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS: A motion was made by Acosta and seconded by Stacey to authorize the Superintendent to make faculty/staff transfers and/or appointments on an as-needed basis.

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 informed the board members that the next meeting that all seven members are present, a picture of the board will be taken.

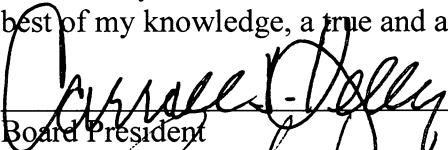
ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Loucks and seconded by Stacey to adjourn.

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 7:20 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, July 13, 2015 at 6:00 PM, is, to the best of my knowledge, a true and accurate account of the aforementioned meeting.



Board President



Board Secretary