

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196  
MARCH 29, 2016  
6:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A special 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 Tuesday, March 29, 2016. The meeting was called to order by President Carroll Kelly.

**ROLL CALL**

Secretary Malinee called the roll with the following result:

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

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: J. Henry, N. Page, J. Logsdon, V. Malinee, P. Sample, S. White,  
T. Masters, S. Hicks, B. Kramer, M. Lappin, K. Prior, L. Sgutt, C. Marlo

Visitors Present: Several visitors (See attached list)

**PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE**

President Kelly asked for any visitor's comments. Shannon McKee addressed the board members regarding concern about Marcus Clarry being asked to step down as JV Basketball Coach. Several other visitors stood and addressed the board members indicating that they were in support of Marcus continuing. Marcus Clarry also addressed the board informing the board members that he had been told at a meeting with Chip Basso, AD, and Natalie Page, HS Principal, that parents were complaining to Chip regarding playing time for their children and also about some discipline issues that were not being handled correctly.

President Kelly addressed the visitors stating that coaching positions were not on the agenda for tonight's meeting, but that the board would take all the information presented tonight into consideration and take the comments and concerns seriously.

President Kelly asked for any comments regarding teachers. Brenda Kramer, S-V Elementary teacher, addressed the board regarding her support of the teachers and indicated that she knew layoff decisions were very difficult, but she feels the district needs young teachers and that she was very concerned about anyone losing their job. Jason Ashmore addressed the board indicating that he was in attendance to support the teachers and asked the board that before anyone was let go that the board would look at every avenue to reduce spending.

**CLOSED SESSION:** At 6:14 PM, a motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Acosta 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: Gulley, Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Acosta

Nays: None

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

**RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION:** At 7:52 PM, a motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks 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.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RESIGNATIONS:** A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Gulley to acknowledge the following employee resignations:

- High School Spanish Teacher: Megan Mays
- High School Mathematics Teacher: Meredith Emling

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. 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 Loucks and seconded by Stacey to post the following position:

- High School Mathematics Teacher

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

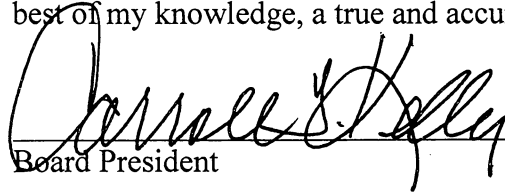
**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Hicks and seconded by Stacey to adjourn.

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 7:54 PM.

**CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES**

The above-listed account of the special meeting of the Board of Education of Sesser-Valier Community Unit School District No. 196, held on Tuesday, May 29, 2016, at 6:00 PM, is, to the best of my knowledge, a true and accurate account of the aforementioned meeting.

  
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Board President

  
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Board Secretary