

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196  
AUGUST 8, 2016  
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, August 8, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Henry. The board asked Superintendent Henry to moderate the meeting in the absence of the president and vice-president.

**ROLL CALL**

Secretary Malinee called the roll with the following result:

Members Present: Acosta, Gulley, Hicks, Stacey

Members Absent: Kelly, Loucks, Robbins

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

Visitors Present: None

**PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**REPORTS**

SEA: No report.

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: No report.

**CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR:** Brandon Dilliner, Maintenance Supervisor, reported on the progress of summer projects (gym floor, kitchen equipment, new slide). He indicated that he was very pleased with the job his regular crew and the student workers did this summer. Superintendent Henry also wanted to "brag" on the crew and Brandon for the projects completed this summer (all completed below budget due to a lot of the work done internally).

**K-8 PRINCIPAL:** Mrs. Logsdon, Elementary/JH Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust Fund, recent activities, and upcoming date and activities.

**H.S. PRINCIPAL:** Mrs. Page, High School Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, upcoming calendar entries, and 2016-2017 student registration. Mrs. Page also presented information to the board members about a new curriculum

designed to teach the life skills of organization and study skills (LIFE 101) and that the packets have been sent out for the annual high school business and individual solicitation program.

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 a certification of transportation safety hazard resolution;
  - Approval of the district’s Section 125 plans;
  - Approval of revised board policies (final approval);
  - Approval & display of tentative district budget for Fiscal Year 2017;
  - Scheduling of a budget hearing for Fiscal Year 2017 (September 12, 2016—5:55 PM)
2. The 2016-2017 school year starts on Monday, August 15, 2016, with a Teacher Workshop Day. Students’ first full day of attendance is Tuesday, August 16, 2016. A copy of this year’s initial school calendar was presented to the board members.

Over the last 2-3 weeks, several staff members have been working in their classrooms to get ready for the arrival of their students. This year’s district theme is “Make an Impact.” The administration is encouraging both the staff members and students to strive to make a positive difference in the lives of other people in the school community. While tremendous gains have been made in the past few years, the district employees are striving to take education and relationships to a new level. The district is well-known throughout Southern Illinois as a first-class school district with extraordinary people (students, staff members and parents). This year, the goal is to not just maintain a good reputation, but build upon it, and Superintendent Henry indicated that he is confident that S-V employees and students are ready for the challenge. As district superintendent, he indicated that he is very excited to see what the 2016-2017 school year brings, and trusts that at the end of the year, we’ll be able to look back and say, “well done.”

3. In the spring of 2016, the district’s Performance Evaluation Reform Act committee (PERA team) developed a new teacher evaluation process/system as required by statute. This system will be implemented during the 2016-2017 school year. The PERA team members are Angela Bartoni, Dana McDonnough, Stephanie White, Judy Logsdon, Natalie Page, and Superintendent Henry. He asked the board members that when they have an opportunity, to please let these ladies know how much their work is appreciated on this big project.
4. As of August 8, 2016, the following Fiscal Year 2016 payments are due & payable to the school district:

<b>Categorical Payments</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>	<b>Voucher Date</b>	<b>Regular Payment Date</b>	<b>Date Paid</b>
<b>Special Education:</b>	\$21,494.75	9/28/2015	9/30/2015	12/22/2015
<b>Personnel</b>	\$21,494.75	12/23/2015	12/30/2015	2/19/2016
	\$21,494.75	3/28/2016	3/30/2016	4/27/2016
	\$21,494.75	6/15/2016	6/20/2016	

<b>Special Education: Extraordinary</b>	\$22,654.75	9/28/2015	9/30/2015	12/23/2015
	\$22,654.75	12/23/2015	12/30/2015	2/26/2016
	\$22,654.75	3/28/2016	3/30/2016	4/28/2016
	\$22,654.75	6/15/2016	6/20/2016	
<b>Transportation: Regular</b>	\$47,488.20	9/28/2015	9/30/2015	12/23/2015
	\$47,598.71	12/23/2015	12/30/2015	2/24/2016
	\$47,598.71	3/28/2016	3/30/2016	4/27/2016
	\$47,598.71	6/15/2016	6/20/2016	
<b>Transportation: Special Education</b>	\$18,374.38	9/28/2015	9/30/2015	12/22/2015
	\$18,150.59	12/23/2015	12/30/2015	2/19/2016
	\$18,416.17	3/28/2016	3/30/2016	4/27/2016
	\$18,416.17	6/15/2016	6/20/2016	
<b>Driver Education</b>	\$2,116.08	9/28/2015	9/30/2015	10/1/2015
	\$2,116.08	12/23/2015	12/30/2015	12/31/2015
	\$2,116.08	3/28/2016	3/30/2016	4/1/2016
	\$2,116.08	6/15/2016	6/20/2016	6/21/2016
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$448,703.96</b>			

Total payments to date: \$338,539.58(75.45% of payments due for FY16)

**Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2016 State Payments: \$110,164.38**

Superintendent Henry also informed board about a request he has received from Mike Sulser. Mr. Sulser has requested the school to allow Subway to deliver (prepaid by parents) food during lunch. Superintendent Henry indicated that he contacted the Illinois State Board of Education regarding a "competitive food" being offered. The regulations to participate in the National School Lunch Program disallows this practice. He indicated that he would respond to Mr. Sulser regarding this information.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Gulley approving the minutes of the previous meetings: July 11, 2016 (Regular Meeting) and July 11, 2016 (Deficit Reduction Committee Meeting); Treasurer's report; bills in the amount of \$88,709.87 and salaries in the amount of \$319,882.78; adoption of the certification of transportation safety hazard resolution; approval of district Section 125 plan(s); approval of revised board policies (final approval); approval and display of tentative district budget for Fiscal Year 2017; and scheduling of budget hearing for Fiscal Year 2017 (September 12, 2016 – 5:55 PM), as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Acosta, Gulley, Hicks, Stacey

Nays: None

There being four (4) yeas and zero (0) nays, the moderator declared that the motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY (VAN):** Superintendent Henry presented the bids for the purchase of the school van. A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Acosta to accept a bid from David Marlo for surplus property (school van) and to authorize the district superintendent or his designee to execute any/all documents to complete the sale.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Gulley, Hicks, Stacey, Acosta

Nays: None

There being four (4) yeas and zero (0) nays, the moderator declared that the motion carried.

**CLOSED SESSION:** At 6:23 PM, a motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Hicks 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 (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2))

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Hicks, Stacey, Acosta, Gulley

Nays: None

There being four (4) yeas and zero (0) nays, the moderator declared that the motion carried.

**RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION:** At 6:39 PM, a motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Acosta to reconvene from closed session.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being four (4) yeas and zero (0) nays, the moderator declared that the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS (PERSONNEL)**

**EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION EXTRAORDINARY CARE AIDE (NON-CERTIFIED CATEGORY)(VERCELLINO, KRISTY):** A motion was made by Acosta and

seconded by Stacey to employ Kristy Vercellino as a special education extraordinary care aide (non-certified category; part-time), subject to her successful completion of a required fingerprint-based, criminal background check.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Stacey, Acosta, Gulley, Hicks

Nays: None

There being four (4) yeas and zero (0) nays, the moderator declared that the motion carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Superintendent Henry asked for discussion regarding an inquiry he has received regarding furniture and alternative seating that is being started this school year. Discussion followed.

Roger Hicks expressed his appreciation to Superintendent Henry for bringing together the right people and making decisions to help the district run smoothly.

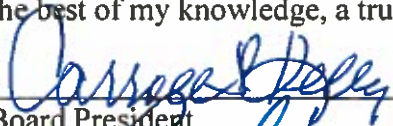
**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Hicks to adjourn.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being four (4) yeas and zero (0) nays, the moderator declared the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:46 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, August 08, 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