

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196
DECEMBER 12, 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, December 12, 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, Stacey

Members Absent: Robbins

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

Visitors Present: None

PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE

Kevin Acosta wanted to thank Mrs. Logsdon for encouraging students to apply for the scholarships offered through the VFW. He indicated that two applications were received and processed through the local VFW and sent on to the district level. The applicants were not recipients of the scholarships, but the local veterans have decided to give each applicant \$50.00. Kevin asked Mrs. Logsdon to try and schedule a date that a couple of veterans could come to the school to present the money to the applicants (hopefully to encourage more participation in the future).

Glenn Gulley wanted to also thank Mrs. Logsdon for taking care of a situation he had brought to her attention.

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, recent events/activities, upcoming activities, and the SAP

(Student Assistance Program) Christmas report. The most recent copy of the S-V Happenings was presented to the board members.

H.S. PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, in the absence of Mrs. Page, High School Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, upcoming calendar entries, list of students receiving special achievements and awards, zSpace Update, information on the upcoming S-V Holiday Tournament, and report on past events.

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 Teen REACH field trips;
 - Adoption of a resolution referencing disposition of obsolete school equipment;
 - Approval of the 2016 tax levy resolutions.
2. Mrs. Page, Mrs. Logsdon, and Mr. Henry will present student performance data (2016 school report card) at the regular January, 2017, board meeting.
3. The most recent indications out of Springfield signal legislative observers that a full-year budget for entities reliant on state monies (other than education) will not be adopted. Similarly, the long-expected income tax increase that most education advocates expected in January, 2017, will likely not pass either.

Despite a promise of stable education funding and a purported increase in general state aid, the State of Illinois has not made any Fiscal Year 2017 mandated categorical payments to school districts as of this writing. In fact, the State has not yet made the 4th quarter payment for FY 16 (no payments since April 27, 2016). As a result, school districts like ours are operating on a revenue stream that is, in fact, less than last year's revenue-to-date.

4. Superintendent Henry presented two (2) FOIA requests that the district recently received. The district's responses were also included.
5. As of December 12, 2016, the following Fiscal Year 2016 payments are due & payable to the school district:

Categorical Payments	Amount Due	Voucher Date	Regular Payment Date	Date Paid
Special Education:	\$21,494.75	9/28/2015	9/30/2015	12/22/2015
	\$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	
Special Education:	\$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	
Transportation:	\$47,488.20	9/28/2015	9/30/2015	12/23/2015

Regular	\$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	
Transportation: Special Education	\$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	
Driver Education	\$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
Total	\$448,703.96			

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

A similar amount of state payments for Fiscal Year 2017 are now due & payable to the school district (the current year's MCATs). In less than a month (end of December), the State of Illinois will be behind on two (2) FY17 MCAT payments if payments don't start fairly soon.

Superintendent Henry also presented information regarding a proposal (regarding the distributing of information on a Click Card) from the pharmacy at the Sesser Clinic. He indicated that he will research and bring back to the board at a later date.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Gulley approving the minutes of the previous meeting: November 14, 2016 (Regular Board Meeting); Treasurer's report; bills in the amount of \$240,041.72 and salaries in the amount of \$377,956.04; approval of Teen REACH fieldtrips; adoption of a resolution referencing disposition of obsolete school equipment; adoption of resolution authorizing final aggregate tax levy for year 2016; adoption of resolution authorizing tax levy for fire prevention, safety, energy conservation, disabled accessibility, school security and specified repair purposes for year 2016; adoption of a resolution authorizing tax levy for tort immunity for year 2016; and adoption of a resolution authorizing tax levy for special education purposes for year 2016, as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

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

NEW BUSINESS

AUTHORIZATION FOR PURCHASE OF USED STUDENT TRANSPORTATION VAN: A motion was made by Acosta and seconded by Stacey to authorize the purchase of a used van with a wheelchair lift and to authorize the district superintendent or his designee to execute all documents necessary for purchase.

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

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

PERSONNEL

APPROVAL OF SUPERINTENDENT'S PARTICIPATION IN A.A.S.A. NATIONAL CONFERENCE: A motion was made by Loucks and seconded by Gulley to authorize the district superintendent's participation in the American Association of School Administrators 2017 National Conference on Education.

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 summarized the tax levy process and timelines. He then informed the board that a round of board policy updates will be presented in January and February (the final adoption date of updates) and indicated to the board policy committee members that he felt, so far in the revisions, that the changes can be handled through the mail without a meeting (if it looks different than expected, a meeting will be scheduled between the January and February board meetings).

Superintendent Henry also indicated that he would like to schedule a Deficit Reduction Committee meeting for immediately after the January, 2017, board meeting to review the amended budget.

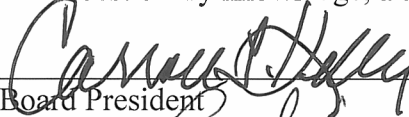
ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Gulley to adjourn.

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 6:26 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, December 12, 2016 at 6:00 PM, is, to the best of my knowledge, a true and accurate account of the aforementioned meeting.



Board President



Board Secretary