

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196
MAY 2, 2017
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, May 2, 2017. The meeting was called to order by President Carroll Kelly.

ROLL CALL

District 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, V. Malinee, B. Dilliner, S. White,

Visitors Present: Kathy Schoenbaechler, Wayne Shannon, Samantha Kettelman

PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE

President Kelly asked for any visitor's comments. None were forthcoming.

REPORTS

SEA: No report

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: No report

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: Brandon Dilliner, Maintenance Supervisor, presented information to the board regarding the list of projects for this summer that was presented to the board for approval. Discussion followed regarding the different projects including the updating of the fire alarm panel, message sign board and replacement of clocks. Mr. Dilliner informed the board that he was still waiting on estimates from vendors on the project of upgrading the security cameras. He also indicated that he had Darin Atchison, Sesser Pave & Seal, come and give an estimate on the asphalt sealing of the parking lot. The estimate was a little more than was originally reported.

K-8 PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, Elementary/JH Principal, presented the elementary/junior high information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, staff recognitions, upcoming activities and events, student engagement highlight, and JH graduation information. Mrs. Logsdon also presented a copy of the most recent edition of the S-V Happenings. She then asked

the board members to let her know who wanted to participate in the junior high graduation and to also let her know how many reserved seats they each wanted.

H.S. PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, in the absence of High School Principal Mrs. Page, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, special recognition for students, Advanced Placement (AP) courses, 2017 Prom, upcoming activities, and student engagement highlight. She also asked the board members that wish to participate and/or need reserved seating to the high school graduation to contact the school.

Superintendent Henry complimented Mr. Aaron Williams for the positive improvement in our AG and FFA Programs. He then presented information on a facility use request that has been verbally brought to him by Sean Payne. Sean is involved in the start-up of a community junior football program involving eight (8) different communities and is requesting to use the football field for games. Discussion followed regarding the issues involving the use of the field by this program, the need for the program to be a corporation and have liability insurance naming the district as an additional insured, the additional cost for custodians (to be reimbursed by program), concessions (provided by program - not district), where players will be practicing (Khoury League field), the district retaining the right to decline use of field if too wet, and whether or not district will collect fees for usage (only recoup costs, i.e.: custodian salary/benefits).

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 the amended (tentative final) public school calendar for 2016-2017;
 - Approval of the initial public school calendar for 2017-2018;
 - Approval of Summer, 2017, Teen REACH field trips;
 - Approval of a charter bus contract with Vandalia Bus Lines, Inc., for the 2017 Senior Class Trip;
 - Authorization of the 2016-2017 tentative amended budget;
 - Scheduling of a budget hearing for the 2016-2017 amended district budget for June 12, 2017, at 5:55 PM.

2. About 4 weeks ago, a group of Metro-East superintendents and their district school boards filed suit against the State of Illinois in an attempt to force the State into a different, equitable distribution of state public school funding. A Chicago law firm was retained and has indicated that each school district that participates will need to commit \$1,000 to \$2,000 to be listed as a plaintiff.

Lawsuits similar to this one have been attempted unsuccessfully before, and, because of that, Superintendent Henry has not sought more information or pursued this matter further. Should the board feel differently about this matter, he asked the board members to not hesitate to let him know so that he can obtain more specific information about the litigation (He indicated that he does not recommend that the board become entangled in this litigation).

3. This month's tentative amended budget is substantially similar to the amended budget that was adopted in January, 2017. One area that was increased is the electricity bill budget (+\$20,000). It is expected that other adjustments will need to be made in this budget between now and June 12th, and Superintendent Henry indicated that he believes those adjustments will be positive.
4. A copy of Alliance Legislative Report #100-16 is attached for your convenience/review.
5. As of May 2, 2017, the following Fiscal Year 2017 payments are due & payable to the school district:

Categorical Payments	Amount Due	Voucher Date	Regular Payment Date	Date Paid
Special Education: Personnel	\$18,442.75	9/28/2016	9/30/2016	4/20/2017
	\$18,442.75	12/27/2016	12/30/2016	
	\$18,442.75	3/28/2017	3/30/2017	
	\$18,442.75		6/20/2017	
Special Education: Extraordinary	\$22,446.84	9/28/2016	9/30/2016	4/21/2017
	\$22,446.84	12/27/2016	12/30/2016	
	\$22,446.84	3/28/2017	3/30/2017	
	\$22,446.84		6/20/2017	
Transportation: Regular	\$42,269.41	9/28/2016	9/30/2016	4/21/2017
	\$41,868.11	12/27/2016	12/30/2016	
	\$41,867.46	3/28/2017	3/30/2017	
	\$41,867.46		6/20/2017	
Transportation: Special Education	\$15,730.58	9/28/2016	9/30/2016	4/21/2017
	\$15,501.25	12/27/2016	12/30/2016	
	\$15,684.62	3/28/2017	3/30/2017	
	\$15,684.62		6/20/2017	
Driver Education	\$2,858.43	9/28/2016	9/30/2016	9/30/2016
	\$2,858.43	12/27/2016	12/30/2016	1/4/2017
	\$2,858.43	3/28/2017	3/30/2017	4/18/2017
	\$2,858.43		6/20/2017	
Special Education: Orphanage Claim 1	\$9,803.28	12/27/2016	12/30/2016	
	\$4,901.65	3/28/2017	3/30/2017	
Special Education: Orphanage Claim 2	\$5,018.05	8/31/2016	9/30/2016	
Total	\$425,188.57			

Total payments to date: \$107,463.87(25.27% of payments due for FY17)

Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2017 State Payments (FY16 Claims): \$317,723.70

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks approving the minutes of the previous meeting: April 18, 2017 (Regular Meeting); Treasurer's report; the bills in the amount of \$46,648.80; salaries in the amount of \$363,003.06; approval of the 2016-2017 Public School Calendar (Amended; Tentative Final); approval of the 2017-2018 Public School Calendar (Initial); approval of Teen REACH Summer, 2017, proposed field trips; approval of Senior Class Trip charter bus agreement (Vandalia Bus Lines, Inc.); authorization of the 2016-2017 tentative amended district budget; and the scheduling of budget hearing for 2016-2017 amended district budget (June 12, 2017, at 5:55 PM), 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

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT (OR DESIGNEE) AND/OR BOOKKEEPER/TREASURER TO PROCESS AND PAY OUTSTANDING MAY, 2017, ROUTINE BILLS: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Acosta to authorize the district superintendent and/or district bookkeeper/treasurer to process and pay outstanding May, 2017, routine bills.

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.

NEW BUSINESS (PERSONNEL)

APPROVAL OF MATERNITY LEAVE REQUESTS: A motion was made by Loucks and seconded by Stacey to approve maternity leave requests for Madison Lamke and Kayla Priebe, 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.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION(S): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Acosta to acknowledge the following employee resignations:

- Special Education Classroom Aide: Jane Eubanks (effective end of 2016-2017 school year)

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

APPROVAL OF TEACHING ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2017-2018: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to transfer the following employees:

- Andrea Harris to 4th Grade Teacher
- Jody Williams to 4th Grade Teacher

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

Superintendent Henry informed the board members that he is expecting an amendment to the retirement request from Brenda Kramer (one year earlier than originally requested - end of school year 2017-2018).

APPROVAL OF VOLUNTEER EXTRACURRICULAR COACHES AND/OR SPONSORS: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to approve the following volunteer extracurricular coaches and/or sponsors:

- HS Girls' Volleyball: Brook Williams, Emily DeForest
- HS Boys' Football: Johnny Hollis, Ben Kirkpatrick, Jonathan Sargent, Scott Tickner, Rod Sides, Marcus Clarry, Jonathan Neace
- HS Girls' Basketball: Emmalee Winter, Jonathan Neace, Karson Severs
- HS Boys' Basketball: Chip Basso, Justin Raby, Marcus Clarry
- JHS Girls' Basketball: Brian Laur
- JHS Boys' Basketball: Luke Thompson

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 recognized retiring board member Donald Robbins with a plaque and a thank-you for serving the district for twelve (12) years, providing vice-presidential leadership of the board for two (2) years. Superintendent Henry also recognized retiring board member Glenn

Gulley (absent from meeting - will be presented plaque later in the week) for four (4) years of service as a board of education member.

Superintendent Henry presented the Official Canvass for the April 4, 2017 Consolidated Election. The result of the canvass is the election of the following as board members: Roger Hicks, Brent Loucks, Samantha Ketteman, and Kathy Schoenbaechler.

Board members acknowledged the official canvass of votes.

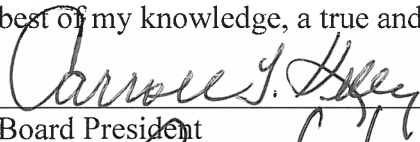
ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Robbins and seconded by Hicks to adjourn.

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 6:40 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, May 2, 2017 at 6:00 PM, is, to the best of my knowledge, a true and accurate account of the aforementioned meeting.



Board President



Board Secretary