

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196
JANUARY 11, 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 Conference Room at 6:00 PM on Monday, January 11, 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, B. Dilliner, R. Schwartzkopf, S. White

Visitors Present: None

PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE

Superintendent Henry presented the board with thank you notes from the family of Richard Szczeblewski for the board's expression of sympathy.

REPORTS

SEA: No report.

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: No report.

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: Brandon Dilliner, Maintenance Supervisor, reported on information regarding the class taken by Mark Rogers (operating license for pesticide spraying).

K-8 PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, Elementary/Junior High Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, recent activities, upcoming activities, student engagement highlight, and professional development opportunities.

H.S. PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Page, High School Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, upcoming calendar entries, recent activities including the 2015 S-V Holiday Tournament, student engagement highlight, and ACT Testing for Juniors.

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 seniority lists for district employees.
2. During the week of December 14, 2015, Mr. Dilliner & Superintendent Henry placed the order for a new school van. The delivery of the van is expected to be in mid-to-late March, 2016.
3. The board policy committee will be meeting immediately following this regular board meeting to consider board policy updates/revisions for the January/February, 2016, policy adoption cycle. As a reminder, board policies are typically adopted over a two-meeting cycle (usually January/February & July/August in SV196). Final adoption of the proposed policy revisions is slated for February 8, 2016.
4. A recent copy of a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request that was received over the Christmas break and the district's response to it was presented to the board.
5. As of January 11, 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: Personnel	\$21,494.75	9/28/2015	9/30/2015	12/22/2015
	\$21,494.75	12/23/2015	12/30/2015	
	\$21,494.75		3/30/2016	
	\$21,494.75		6/20/2016	
Special Education: Extraordinary	\$22,654.75	9/28/2015	9/30/2015	12/23/2015
	\$22,654.75	12/23/2015	12/30/2015	
	\$22,654.75		3/30/2016	
	\$22,654.75		6/20/2016	
Transportation: Regular	\$47,488.20	9/28/2015	9/30/2015	12/23/2015
	\$47,598.71	12/23/2015	12/30/2015	
	\$47,598.71*		3/30/2016	
	\$47,598.71*		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	
	\$18,150.59*		3/30/2016	
	\$18,150.59*		6/20/2016	
Driver Education	\$2,116.08	9/28/2015	9/30/2015	10/1/2015 12/31/2015
	\$2,116.08	12/23/2015	12/30/2015	
	\$2,116.08		3/30/2016	
	\$2,116.08		6/20/2016	
Total	\$448,172.80			

****Estimated payments***

Total payments to date: \$112,128.16 (25.02% of payments due for FY16)

Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2016 State Payments: \$336,044.64

PRESENTATION OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE:

Mr. Henry presented a report regarding the 2015 ISBE School Report Card for the district, which included student performance on standardized tests (PARCC), successful completion of the curriculum, attendance, and drop-out rates. He reported to the Board on his findings as to student performance and his recommendations for curriculum or instructional changes as a result of his evaluation of student performance. Superintendent Henry indicated that he continues to doubt the state's ability to assess and to provide meaningful data due to the disconnect from test to test (three different tests in three different years). He stated that he did not have much confidence in the data provided from these tests.

Mrs. Logsdon presented a report regarding the 2015 ISBE School Report Card for both the elementary and junior high schools, which included student performance on standardized tests (PARCC), successful completion of the curriculum, attendance, and drop-out rates. She reported to the Board on her findings as to student performance and her recommendations for curriculum or instructional changes as a result of her evaluation of student performance.

Mrs. Page presented a report regarding the 2015 ISBE School Report Card for the high school, which included student performance on standardized tests (PARCC), successful completion of the curriculum, attendance, and drop-out rates. She reported to the Board on her findings as to student performance and her recommendations for curriculum or instructional changes as a result of her evaluation of student performance.

Discussion followed regarding the areas of concern and how the district is addressing those concerns.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Robbins approving the minutes of the previous meeting: December 14, 2015 (Regular Board Meeting); Treasurer's report; the bills in the amount of \$103,810.86 and salaries in the amount of \$362,221.73; approval of the certified staff seniority list; and approval of the education support personnel seniority list, as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

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

Nays: None

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

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL AND DISPLAY OF REVISED BOARD POLICIES (1ST READING): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to approve board policy manual updates (1st reading) for adoption consideration at the regular February, 2016, board meeting.

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

STATUS OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES AND/OR DESTRUCTION OF CLOSED SESSION VERBATIM RECORD AUDIO RECORDINGS: 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 seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to authorize and direct the district superintendent to destroy the verbatim closed session records (audio recordings) for the following closed session meetings: February 10, 2014; March 10, 2014; April 22, 2014; May 12, 2014.

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

CLOSED SESSION: At 7:20 PM, a motion was made by Acosta 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: Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Acosta, Gulley, Hicks, Kelly

Nays: None

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

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION: At 7:43 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 seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

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

- JHS Girls' Volleyball: Rachel Schwartzkopf

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

APPROVAL OF LABORERS' LOCAL 773 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT: Superintendent Henry outlined the proposed changes to the contract. He also indicated that the local union members ratified the contract that afternoon prior to the board meeting. A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Gulley to approve a 3-year contract with the educational support personnel union (The Laborers' International Union of North America, The Southern and Central Illinois Laborers' District Council, and Laborers' Local 773) for 2015-2016, 2016-2017, and 2017-2018.

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.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Superintendent Henry reminded board members that some bigger, harder decisions are coming up (budget deficit reduction plan includes absorbing two positions and issuing two reduction-in-force notices). He encouraged board members that the district will get through the "tough times".

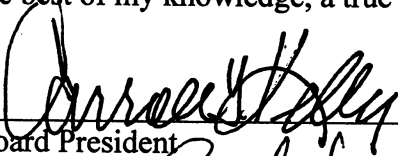
ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Hicks and seconded by Stacey to adjourn.

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

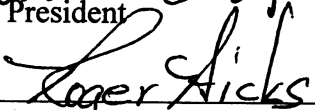
The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.

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, January 11, 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