

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196
FEBRUARY 10, 2014
5:30 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 5:30 PM on Monday, February 10, 2014. The meeting was called to order by President Chris Gore.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Malinee called the roll with the following result:

Members Present: Gore, Gulley, Hicks, Loucks, Stacey

Members Absent: Kelly, Robbins

Staff Present: J. Henry, J. Logsdon, W. Choate, V. Malinee, T. Witcher, M. Sample,

Visitors Present: None

PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE

Superintendent Henry presented the board with a thank you card from the First Baptist Church of Jonesboro for the memorial gift in memory of Sue Choate. He also presented the Demand To Bargain letter from the SEA.

REPORTS

SEA: No report.

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: No report.

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: No report.

Carroll Kelly arrived at 5:37 PM.

K-8 PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, Elementary/JH Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, recent activities, upcoming activities, and the ISAT testing schedule. The most recent copies of the S-V Happenings were presented to the board members.

Donnie Robbins arrived at 5:45 PM.

H.S. PRINCIPAL: Mr. Choate, HS Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, recent activities, and upcoming activities (including PSAE testing date). The Financial report for the S-V Holiday Tournament Report was re-scheduled to March meeting.

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):
 - a. Approval of new and/or revised board policies.
2. In late January, the district received notice that the School Energy Efficiency Grant application had been approved. Now waiting for approval of the School Maintenance Grant applications before proceeding with the facility improvement projects included in the district's Fall, 2013, health/life/safety amendments.
3. Superintendent Henry indicated that he had not yet received a response from Waltonville Superintendent Shlonda Horton regarding their availability to hold a special joint board meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2014. He informed board members that he will keep them updated as he hears from Superintendent Horton.
4. Superintendent Henry presented a copy of the February, 2014, edition of IASA Leadership Matters for board review.
5. For the second leadership development session, Superintendent Henry presented the following items to the board members:
 - District complaint policies (please review these policies over the next month and bring any questions that you have to the regular March board meeting).
6. As of this writing, the following Fiscal Year 2014 payments are due & payable to the school district:

Categorical Payments	Amount Due	Voucher Date	Regular Payment Date	Date Paid*
Special Education: Personnel	\$22,480.25	9/23/2013	9/30/2013	12/18/2013
	\$22,480.25	12/23/2013	12/30/2013	
	\$22,480.25		3/30/2014	
	\$22,480.25		6/20/2014	
Special Education: Extraordinary	\$23,891.00	9/23/2013	9/30/2013	12/26/2013
	\$23,891.00	12/23/2013	12/30/2013	
	\$23,891.00		3/30/2014	
	\$23,891.00		6/20/2014	
Transportation: Regular	\$50,242.79	9/23/2013	9/30/2013	12/26/2013
	\$50,289.12	12/23/2013	12/30/2013	
			3/30/2014	

			6/20/2014	
Transportation:	\$16,914.50	9/23/2013	9/30/2013	12/19/2013
Special Education	\$16,736.10	12/23/2013	12/30/2013 3/30/2014 6/20/2014	
Driver Education	\$1,966.37 \$1,966.37 \$1,966.37 \$1,966.37	9/24/2013 12/23/2013	9/30/2013 12/30/2013 3/30/2014 6/20/2014	11/21/2013 2/6/2014
Total	\$327,532.99			

**Total payments to date: \$117,461.28 (35.86% of payments due for FY14)*

Other state payments due & payable:

- DHS Teen REACH Grant Program: \$8,893.37

Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2014 State Payments: \$218,965.08

Superintendent Henry indicated that to continue the Leadership Development Series, he is distributing for board review the established policies that address communication between the board and community and how complaints are to be submitted. He asked board members to review and indicated he would ask for questions and discussion at next meeting.

Superintendent Henry indicated that the district has now utilized three (3) Act-of-God days due to winter weather, and that those days would not be “made-up.” He indicated that this situation causes a problem regarding hourly employees, and that he would address this issue after the likely season for winter weather had passed, and that he thought a solution could be easily reached.

Superintendent Henry then asked the board for feedback regarding what level of risk it is prepared to assume related to a proposed intergovernmental agreement for police service. Discussion followed regarding the need to keep everyone safe at the school and whether or not to assume liability risk for police actions. Superintendent Henry informed the board that the district’s attorney has recommended to enter into an agreement only if a hold-harmless/indemnity clause protecting the district was part of the contract.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Stacey approving the minutes of the previous meetings: January 13, 2014 (Regular Meeting) and January 13, 2014 (Board Policy Committee Meeting); Treasurer’s report; the bills in the amount of \$133,091.13 and salaries in the amount of \$377,592.61; and approval of the new and/or revised board policies (final approval; effective March 1, 2014), as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Gore, 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/OR RENEWAL OF INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORTS COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT(S): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to renew the following interscholastic sports cooperative agreements, and to authorize the high school principal to enter into such agreements and execute necessary IHSA documents effecting said renewal.

Waltonville High School	Woodlawn High School
HS Football (2014-2015 through 2015-2016)	HS Football (2014-2015 through 2015-2016): Fee basis
HS Boys' Baseball (2014-2015 through 2015-2016)	
HS Boys' Golf (2014-2015 through 2015-2016)	
HS Girls' Golf (2014-2015 through 2015-2016)	
HS Boys' Track (2014-2015 through 2015-2016)	
HS Girls' Volleyball (2014-2015 through 2015-2016)	
HS Girls' Track (2014-2015 through 2015-2016)	
HS Girls' Softball (2015-2016 through 2016-2017)	
HS Girls' Basketball (2015-2016 through 2016-2017)	

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 6:42 PM, a motion was made by Kelly 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)

- 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: Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Robbins, Stacey, Gore, Gulley

Nays: None

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

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION: At 7:03 PM, a motion was made by Loucks 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.

NEW BUSINESS (PERSONNEL)

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

- JHS Girls' Basketball Coach: Craig Garner

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

Superintendent Henry indicated that he would post this position when he posts the other extra-curricular positions for next school year.

OTHER BUSINESS

Teresa Stacey asked for discussion regarding the actions and behavior of one of the officials at a recent ballgame. Discussion followed regarding inappropriate and unprofessional comments that were heard. Superintendent Henry indicated that the HS Principal, Mr. Choate, and the Athletic Director, Chip Basso, have been discussing the issues and the best options to address the problem. Mr. Choate indicated that he felt they would be able to take care of the issue.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Robbins and seconded by Gulley 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.

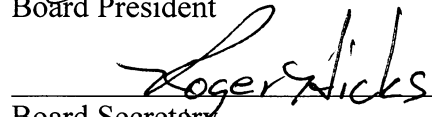
The meeting adjourned at 7:11 PM.

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, February 10, 2014, at 5:30 PM, is, to the best of my knowledge, a true and accurate account of the aforementioned meeting.



Board President



Board Secretary