

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196
MAY 12, 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, May 12, 2014. The meeting was called to order by President Chris Gore.

ROLL CALL

District Secretary Malinee called the roll with the following result:

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

Members Absent: Kelly, Loucks

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

Visitors Present: None

PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE

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

REPORTS

SEA: No report.

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: No report.

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: Terry Witcher, Maintenance Supervisor, presented information on the work that will need to be done on the football field.

K-8 PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, Elementary/JH Principal, presented the elementary/junior high information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, recent activities, upcoming activities and events, and special recognition for the junior high girls' and junior high boys' track teams. Mrs. Logsdon also presented copies of the most recent editions 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: Mr. Choate, High School Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, recent activities, special recognition for students, and upcoming activities. He also asked the board members that wish to participate and/or need reserved seating to the high school graduation to contact the school.

Discussion was held regarding the exemption from semester exam policy and different available options for exemption, including grades and attendance. Mr. Choate indicated that there is an Advisory Council that includes students, parents, teachers, and administrators that discuss the different options and that he would report some of the concerns voiced by the board members.

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. Adoption of a resolution regarding the 2013-2014 Sesser-Valier Basketball Teams;
 - b. Authorization for the Superintendent or designee to seek milk & bread bids for the 2014-2015 school year.
2. On May 2, 2014, the district received notice that the school district was awarded an \$18,275 school safety/security grant from the Illinois Emergency Management Agency. The grant will be used to install shatterproof window film on several entrance windows.
3. The district has received notice from the Workers Compensation Self-Insurance Trust that a billing assessment (supplemental contribution) has been made for fiscal years 2009 & 2010. The supplemental contribution due from SV196 is \$34,018. This invoice has been included in this month's bills for payment. This type of assessment risk is present in insurance pools, and the district has maintained sufficient funds to handle such risks.
4. Registration for the 2014 Triple I Conference (board convention) will be open on Monday, June 9th. As a result, Vera and/or Mr. Henry will be in contact with the individual board members on or before June 5th to ascertain their intentions. The convention will be held November 21-23, 2014, in Chicago.
5. A copy of the following newsletters and/or reports for review was presented to the board members:
 - Alliance Legislative Report (#98-45)
 - Illinois School News Service (May 12th)
 - May 9th Regional Superintendent's Report Re: School Facilities Sales Tax
6. For the fifth leadership development session, Mr. Henry asked for discussion with any questions or comments that the board members may have regarding the SVEA contract.
7. 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	\$22,480.25	9/23/2013	9/30/2013	12/18/2013
Education:	\$22,480.25	12/23/2013	12/30/2013	3/19/2014
Personnel	\$22,480.25	3/25/2014	3/30/2014	4/23/2014

	\$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	3/21/2014
	\$23,891.00	3/25/2014	3/30/2014	4/24/2014
	\$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	3/21/2014
	\$50,289.12	3/25/2014	3/30/2014	4/24/2014
	\$50,289.12		6/20/2014	
Transportation: Special Education	\$16,914.50	9/23/2013	9/30/2013	12/19/2013
	\$16,736.10	12/23/2013	12/30/2013	3/20/2014
	\$16,736.10	3/25/2014	3/30/2014	4/23/2014
	\$16,736.10		6/20/2014	
Driver Education	\$1,966.37	9/24/2013	9/30/2013	11/21/2013
	\$1,966.37	12/23/2013	12/30/2013	2/6/2014
	\$1,966.37	3/25/2014	3/30/2014	4/16/2014
	\$1,966.37		6/20/2014	
Total	\$461,583.43			

**Total payments to date: \$346,220.59 (75.01% of payments due for FY14)*

Other state payments due & payable:

- DHS Teen REACH Grant Program: \$505.12

Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2014 State Payments: \$115,867.96

Superintendent Henry indicated that add-on bills presented the night of the board meeting may be more frequent due to the desire to keep the Treasurer's Report more up-to-date. The add-on bills will include more procurement card expenses (school debit card) in the following month's treasurer's report.

Superintendent Henry presented information on a professional development opportunity that is being offered to the teachers of the district to be funded through the Rural and Low Income Grant (Title VI). He explained that the training will include mapping curriculum around Common Core standards. Discussion was held regarding the different teaching methods that are used in the Common Core curriculum.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Robbins approving the minutes of the previous meetings: April 22, 2014 (Regular Meeting) and April 28, 2014 (Special Meeting); Treasurer's report; the bills in the amount of \$216,173.44 and salaries in the amount of \$375,128.29; adoption of a resolution regarding Sesser-Valier District Basketball Teams; and authorization for Superintendent or designee to seek milk & bread bids for 2014-2015 school year, as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Gore, Gulley, Hicks, Robbins, Stacey

Nays: None

There being five (5) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Superintendent Henry asked for a follow-up discussion regarding the special meeting held with the Waltonville Board of Education. He asked for some thoughts, ideas, and guidance from the board members regarding the issues discussed at the meeting. Discussion followed regarding current athletic cooperatives between S-V, Waltonville, and Woodlawn, and different consolidation issues.

CLOSED SESSION: At 6:42 PM, a motion was made by Gulley 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: Gulley, Hicks, Robbins, Stacey, Gore

Nays: None

There being five (5) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION: At 6:58 PM, a motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Robbins to reconvene from closed session.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being five (5) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS (PERSONNEL)

EMPLOYMENT OF EXTRACURRICULAR COACHES AND/OR SPONSORS
(SHADOWENS, JOHN): A motion was made by Robbins and seconded by Stacey to employ John Shadowens as High School Football Assistant Coach.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Robbins, Stacey, Gore, Gulley, Hicks

Nays: None

There being five (5) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT OF EXTRACURRICULAR COACHES AND/OR SPONSORS (SCHWARTZKOPF, RACHEL) A motion was made by Hicks and seconded by Robbins to employ Rachel Schwartzkopf as the High School Girls Volleyball Coach.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Robbins, Stacey, Gore, Gulley, Hicks

Nays: None

There being five (5) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT OF EXTRACURRICULAR COACHES AND/OR SPONSORS (LAUR, DANA): A motion was made by Gulley and seconded by Stacey to employ Dana Laur as the Junior High School Girls Basketball Coach.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Robbins, Stacey, Gore, Gulley, Hicks

Nays: None

There being five (5) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT OF EXTRACURRICULAR COACHES AND/OR SPONSORS (CLARRY, MARCUS): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Gulley to employ Marcus Clarry as High School Boys Basketball Assistant Coach.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Stacey, Gore, Gulley, Hicks, Robbins

Nays: None

There being five (5) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TEACHING ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2014-2015 (WHITE, STEPHANIE): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Gulley to transfer Stephanie White to a 4th Grade teaching position for the 2014-2015 school year.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Gulley, Hicks, Robbins, Stacey, Gore

Nays: None

There being five (5) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

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

- HS Football: Robin LaBuwi, Rod Sides, Eric Drake, Jonathan Neace, Ben Kirkpatrick, Gerald Mumbower

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being five (5) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

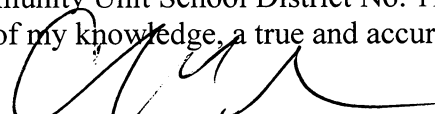
ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Gulley and seconded by Stacey to adjourn.

Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being five (5) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

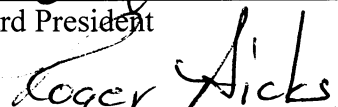
The meeting adjourned at 7:01 PM.

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 12, 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