

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196
MAY 4, 2015
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 4, 2015. 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, Kelly, Loucks, Stacey

Members Absent: Robbins

Staff Present: J. Henry, J. Logsdon, N. Page, V. Malinee, B. Dilliner, M. Sample, S. Hicks, K. Spotanski, S. White

Visitors Present: Kevin Acosta, Anthony Acosta, Jason Ashmore, Zach Mabry, Sarah Acosta, Kim Kellerman, Sonya Gunter, Dennis Harris, Gavin Johnson, Kaiden Uhls

PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE

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

REPORTS

SEA: No report

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: Sandy Hicks, President of Laborers' Local 773, addressed the board members to publically thank Chris Gore for his service to the district and indicated that he has been a friend to the school, to the union, and to the board.

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: Brandon Dilliner, Maintenance Supervisor, presented information to the board regarding the "smash-proof" window covering project (completed) and the new LED lights for red room, multi-purpose room, and gymnasium (have been ordered).

K-8 PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Logsdon, Elementary/JH Principal, presented the elementary/junior high information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, special 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 and a list of the

students that were recognized as one of the S-V JH Super Kids for the 2014-2015 school year. 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: In the absence of Mr. Choate, High School Principal, Mrs. Logsdon presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, recent activities, special recognition for students, Advanced Placement (AP) courses, Student Engagement Highlight, and upcoming activities. 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: 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 the 2014-2015 Final Public School Calendar;
 - b. Approval of the 2015-2016 Proposed Public School Calendar;
 - c. Authorization for the district superintendent or designee to seek milk & bread bids for the 2015-2016 school year;
 - d. Authorization for the district superintendent or designee to apply for state, federal, and/or private grants;
 - e. Approval of a charter bus contract for the Summer, 2015, band trip to Orlando, FL (Southwestern Illinois Bus Company).
2. On Monday, May 4, 2015, the district received notice by phone that the district's Teen REACH grant for Fiscal Year 2015 had been restored. After written notice is received from the Illinois Department of Human Services, a refund will be issued to the City of Sesser for their contribution for this program.
3. On March 27, 2015, Illinois Governor Bruce Rauner signed House Bill 317 & House Bill 318 into law (now Public Act 99-0001 & Public Act 99-0002). These bills were current-year budget "fixes." The main effect of this legislation on public school districts is approximately a 2.25% reduction of current-year General State Aid (for SV196, the reduction is \$74,567). The budget bill also provided for some funds to be restored on a district-by-district basis, depending on each district's financial health. The district should receive \$54,913 of this money back (likely much later), resulting in a net loss of \$19,654.
4. As of May 4, 2015, the following Fiscal Year 2015 payments are due & payable to the school district:

Categorical Payments	Amount Due	Voucher Date	Regular Payment Date	Date Paid*
Special Education: Personnel	\$21,833.37	9/24/2014	9/30/2014	12/29/2014
	\$21,833.37	12/22/2014	12/30/2014	3/24/2015
	\$20,915.93	3/30/2015	3/30/2015	4/24/2015
	\$20,915.93		6/20/2015	

Special Education: Extraordinary	\$23,198.00	9/24/2014	9/30/2014	12/29/2014
	\$23,198.00	12/22/2014	12/30/2014	3/30/2015
	\$22,153.00	3/30/2015	3/30/2015	4/27/2015
	\$22,153.00		6/20/2015	
Transportation: Regular	\$49,664.51	9/24/2014	9/30/2014	12/29/2014
	\$49,275.03	12/22/2014	12/30/2014	3/25/2015
	\$47,913.49	3/30/2015	3/30/2015	4/27/2015
	\$47,913.49*		6/20/2015	
Transportation: Special Education	\$16,897.14	9/24/2014	9/30/2014	12/29/2014
	\$16,754.74	12/22/2014	12/30/2014	3/24/2015
	\$15,993.91	3/30/2015	3/30/2015	4/27/2015
	\$15,993.91*		6/20/2015	
Driver Education	\$2,494.72	9/24/2014	9/30/2014	9/29/2014
	\$2,494.72	12/22/2014	12/30/2014	12/30/2014
	\$2,494.72	3/30/2015	3/30/2015	3/31/2015
	\$2,494.72		6/20/2015	
Total	\$446,585.70**			

*Estimated payments; **previous amount was \$454,947.28

Total payments to date: \$337,114.65 (75.49% of payments due for FY15)

Other state payments due & payable:

- DHS Teen REACH Grant Program: TBD

Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2015 State Payments: \$109,471.05

Zach Mabry, S-V High School student, addressed the board regarding the cuts to the computer program in the high school, asking if the news about the reduction of cuts to the state aid would enable the board to consider calling back the computer teacher. Discussion followed regarding the loss of state funding and the reduction-in-force decisions that have been a work-in-progress for several years due to the reduction of state funding each year. Superintendent Henry indicated that if the proration of the state aid would be better than has been predicted (100% funded), he would recommend consideration of a re-employment to the board.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Stacey approving the minutes of the previous meeting: April 13, 2015 (Regular Meeting); Treasurer's report; the bills in the amount of \$139,481.00 and salaries in the amount of \$375,298.76; approval of the 2014-2015 Final Public School Calendar; approval of the 2015-2016 Proposed Public School Calendar; authorization for Superintendent or designee to seek milk & bread bids for 2015-2016 school year; authorization for Superintendent or designee to apply for state, federal, and/or private grants; and approval of band trip charter bus contract (Southwestern Illinois Bus Company), as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Gore, Gulley, Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, 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 OF 2014-2015 TENTATIVE AMENDED DISTRICT BUDGET: A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Stacey to authorize the preparation and display of a tentative amended district budget for 2014-2015.

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

SCHEDULING OF BUDGET HEARING FOR 2014-2015 AMENDED DISTRICT BUDGET (JUNE 8, 2015, AT 5:25 PM): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to schedule a budget hearing regarding the 2014-2015 amended district budget for June 8, 2015, at 5:25 PM.

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

NEW BUSINESS (PERSONNEL)

APPROVAL OF TEACHING ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2015-2016: A motion was made by Kelly and seconded by Stacey to transfer Jody Williams to a 2nd Grade teaching position for the 2015-2016 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.

Superintendent Henry indicated that additional transfers may be necessary before school starts in August, 2015.

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

- HS Boys' Basketball: John Vercellino

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 Chris Gore with a plaque and a thank-you for serving the district for eight (8) years and providing presidential leadership of the board for six (6) years.

Superintendent Henry presented the Official Canvass for the April 7, 2015 Consolidated Election. The result of the canvass is the election of the following as board members: Kevin Acosta, Carroll L. Kelly, and Teresa Stacey.

Board members acknowledged the official canvass of votes.

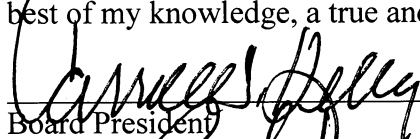
ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to adjourn.

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 5:58 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 4, 2015 at 5:30 PM, is, to the best of my knowledge, a true and accurate account of the aforementioned meeting.



Board President



Board Secretary