

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SESSER-VALIER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 196  
FEBRUARY 11, 2019  
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, February 11, 2019. The meeting was called to order by President Carroll Kelly.

**ROLL CALL**

Secretary Malinee called the roll with the following result:

Members Present: Acosta, Hicks, Kelly, Loucks, Schoenbaechler, Stacey

Members Absent: Kettelman

Staff Present: J. Henry, N. Page, V. Malinee, B. Dilliner

Visitors Present: None

**PUBLIC COMMENT & CORRESPONDENCE**

Superintendent Henry presented a thank you card from Cheryl Dennison for flowers sent from the board at the birth of her child. Kevin Acosta informed the administration that the Sesser Masonic Lodge will be donating \$150.00 to offset food and travel expenses for the scholar bowl team.

Samantha Kettelman arrived at 6:08 PM.

**REPORTS**

SEA: No report.

LABORERS' LOCAL 773: No report.

CUSTODIAL & MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR: Brandon Dilliner, Maintenance Supervisor, presented information on the annual asbestos training and radio project (still working on FCC licensing).

K-8 PRINCIPAL: In the absence of Mr. Jones, Elementary/JH Principal, HS Principal, Natalie Page, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, upcoming activities, state testing information, special honors, fundraiser information and professional development activities.

H.S. PRINCIPAL: Mrs. Page, HS Principal, presented information regarding the following to the board: Trust fund, upcoming activities, student engagement highlight, high school cheerleaders, and high school basketball team achievements.

Discussion followed regarding the process of informing faculty and staff when there is concern regarding students and scholar bowl funds available in Trust fund.

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 revised board policies (final approval);
  - Approval of a 3-year technology support service agreement with Quality Network Solutions (QNS).
2. The board policies slated for update/revision approval at this meeting consist of 20 policies that were addressed in the October/November, 2018, issue of PRESS (Issue #99). Tonight's board action will serve as final approval.
3. The Illinois General Assembly is currently in the process of considering a clean-up bill piece of legislation that addresses what constitutes a school day. This issue arose following the passage of the Evidence-Based Funding Model, and I expect it to delay our FY20 Public School Calendar approval process a bit. As more information becomes available, I will advise the Board.
4. Franklin County Board Chairman Randall Crocker has contacted us indicating that he'd like to address the Board at its regular March, 2019, meeting regarding the County's proposal to fund/construct a new courthouse.
5. In Fall, 2018, I received a communication from the University of Phoenix, an online university, regarding the possibility of the District accepting one of the University's students for student teaching. I asked the University to provide some sort of agreement that outlines each party's responsibilities, and I received a proposed contract that is not advisable for the District. Up to this point, I have not worked on this further because I don't think it's a good idea for us. If the Board has a different perspective, please advise.
6. Mr. Dilliner will provide an update regarding the sale of surplus vans.
7. I have attached the following report(s) and/or newsletter(s) for your review:
  - Alliance Legislative Report (#101-03)
  - Illinois School News Service (February 11<sup>th</sup>)
8. As of February 11, 2019, the following Fiscal Year 2019 payments are due & payable to the school district:

<b>Categorical Payments</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>	<b>Voucher Date</b>	<b>Regular Payment Date</b>	<b>Date Paid</b>
<b>Transportation: Regular</b>	\$50,880.83	9/25/2018	9/30/2018	1/24/2019
	\$50,331.12	12/27/2018	12/30/2018	
	\$50,331.13		3/30/2019	
	\$50,331.12		6/20/2019	
<b>Transportation: Special Education</b>	\$18,179.99	9/25/2018	9/30/2018	1/24/2019
	\$17,657.13	12/27/2018	12/30/2018	
	\$17,657.14		3/30/2019	
	\$17,657.13		6/20/2019	
<b>Driver Education</b>	\$2,382.23	9/25/2018	9/30/2018	11/20/2018
	\$2,382.23	12/27/2018	12/30/2018	
	\$2,382.23		3/30/2019	
	\$2,382.23		6/20/2019	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$282,554.51</b>			

Total payments to date: \$71,443.05 (50.38% of payments due-to-date for FY19)

Grand Total of Outstanding Fiscal Year 2019 State Payments (FY18 Claims): \$70,370.48

Superintendent Henry responded to an individual board member's question regarding whether or not an adult female who was acting strangely was present in/around the school at some point during the last few days/weeks. Superintendent Henry indicated that there was an occurrence of an adult female who was, in fact, acting unusual interacting briefly with elementary school office staff members after school was dismissed for the day and most students were gone from school premises. He further indicated that Sesser police officers were already on campus for another, non-emergency matter, and those police officers quickly responded to the woman's location and handled what appeared to be a medical emergency with the adult female. Board members discussed what, if any, type of notice to board members was preferred, and Superintendent Henry acknowledged that he made a judgment call based on the specific facts of the case.

Superintendent Henry responded to a board member's question regarding how and to what extent police officers are present on campus during the school day. He indicated that, following a meeting with Sesser Chief of Police Ryan White, police officers have been monitoring/patrolling Highway 154 during the morning drop-off period and that police officers have been doing, at school officials' request, random walk-throughs of the school building/campus.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Schoenbaechler and seconded by Kettelman approving the minutes of the previous meeting: January 14, 2019 (Regular Meeting); Treasurer's report; the bills in the amount of \$151,086.04 and salaries in the amount of \$348,415.48; approval of the revised board policies (final approval), and approval of the 3-year technology support service agreement with Quality Network Solutions (QNS), as presented.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Acosta, Hicks, Kelly, Kettelman, Loucks, Schoenbaechler, Stacey

Nays: None

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

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

ACCEPTANCE OF BID & AUTHORIZATION FOR SALE OF SURPLUS SCHOOL EQUIPMENT (SCHOOL VAN): Superintendent Henry presented information on the two bids received for the purchase of the 2000 Ford van. He recommended accepting the high bid of \$1,510.00 from Chris & Gabby Zelasko. A motion was made by Acosta and seconded by Schoenbaechler to accept a bid of \$1,510.00 for a surplus school van from Chris & Gabby Zelasko and to authorize the District Superintendent or his designee to execute the sale.

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Hicks, Kelly, Kettelman, Loucks, Schoenbaechler, Stacey, Acosta

Nays: None

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

Superintendent Henry indicated that he had two board members requesting closed session.

**CLOSED SESSION:** At 6:46 PM, a motion was made by Acosta and seconded by Kettelman 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 District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2))
- c. Student disciplinary cases. (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9))

Roll call voting was as follows:

Yeas: Kelly, Kettelman, Loucks, Schoenbaechler, Stacey, Acosta, Hicks

Nays: None



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

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION: At 8:36 PM, a motion was made by Acosta and seconded by Schoenbaechler 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.

## **PERSONNEL**

APPROVAL OF TEACHING ASSIGNMENT FOR 2019-2020: A motion was made by Acosta and seconded by Schoenbaechler to transfer Shane Garner to JHS/HS Physical Education (Boys) for 2019-2020, contingent upon his presentation of appropriate licensure for said position.

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 EXTENDED UNPAID MEDICAL LEAVE: A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to approve an unpaid medical leave extension for Kristie Spotanski, as presented.

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION(S)/RETIREMENT(S): A motion was made by Stacey and seconded by Loucks to acknowledge the following employee retirement:

- Family & Consumer Science Teacher: Lori Gibson (updated retirement effective at the conclusion of the 2018-2019 school year)

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

POSTING OF POSITIONS: A motion was made by Acosta and seconded by Schoenbaechler to post the following positions:

- Family & Consumer Science Teacher
- High School Girls' Basketball Coach

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

- HS Boys' Track: Shane Garner

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 ASSISTANT COACH(ES) AND/OR SPONSOR(S):** A motion was made by Kettelman and seconded by Schoenbaechler to approve the following volunteer assistant coach(es) and/or sponsor(s):

- JHS Girls' Track: Brian Laur

Voting was as follows: There being four (4) yeas and three (3) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

None

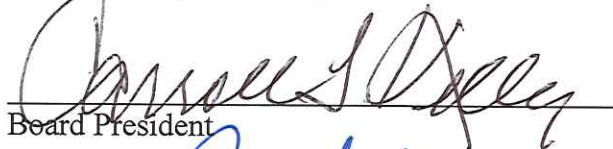
**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Hicks and seconded by Schoenbaechler to adjourn.

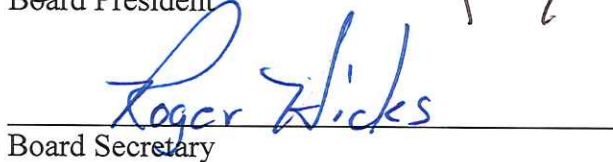
Voting was as follows: All voted yea. There being seven (7) yeas and zero (0) nays, the president declared that the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 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, February 11, 2019, at 6:00 PM, is, to the best of my knowledge, a true and accurate account of the aforementioned meeting.

  
Board President

  
Board Secretary