

SPEED S.E.J.A. #802

**OPERATING COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Special Meeting
SPEED Operating Committee
SPEED Building
9:00 AM

December 17, 2019

Mr. Bean called the meeting to order at 9:00 am

ROLL CALL

On roll call vote the following answered present: Dr. Patterson, District 144; Dr. Mitchell, District 153; Dr. Smith, District 161; Ms. Duskey, District 162; Dr. White, District 163; Ms. Lindsay, District 167; Dr. Leak, District 168; Dr. Jackson, District 169; Dr. Kuzniewski, District 172; Dr. Coglianese, District 201U; Dr. Navarre, District 206; Dr. Thomas, District 227 (arrived at 9:11 am); Dr. Mansfield, District 233; Mr. Bean, District 162.

Absent: Mr. Amadio, District 170; Dr. Frusher, District 194.

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Halliman, Superintendent and Kevin Slattery, Director of Business and Finance.

Also present were Mr. Ray Hauser, Attorney from Hauser, Izzo, Petrarca, Gleason & Stillman, LLC. and Ms. Yasmine Dada, Consultant.

ACTION ITEMS

Dr. Jackson, District 169 moved, seconded by Dr. Mitchell, District 153, that the Operating Committee approve the updated Draft Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement amending the current Articles of Agreement to be presented to the Governing Board for review at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

On a roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Patterson, District 144; Dr. Mitchell, District 153; Dr. Smith, District 161; Ms. Duskey, District 162; Dr. White, District 163; Ms. Lindsay, District 167; Dr. Leak, District 168; Dr. Jackson, District 169; Dr. Kuzniewski, District 172; Dr. Coglianese, District 201U; Dr. Navarre, District 206; Dr. Thomas, District 227 (arrived at 9:11 am); Dr. Mansfield, District 233; Mr. Bean, District 162.

Nays: None

Motion carries.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Dr. Halliman thanked the Operating Committee for their support and to the Finance for their hard work. As a result of all the hard work, SPEED has met the designated timelines they set for themselves as well as ISBE's deadlines.

Secondly, Dr. Halliman informed the Operating Committee about an email she received on Monday, December 16, 2019.

ISBE has given out the new emergency procedures that all districts have to follow. An impetus to that was from an article from The Chicago Tribune. Two things that Propublica has been looking at since August of 2017, is isolated, secluded time-outs and physical restraints. The Tribune informed Dr. Halliman that per the FOIA request that Propublica had sent out last year, SPEED will be mentioned in an article due to the number of restraints that were on the FOIA report. Dr. Halliman continued to explain that it is not uncommon for a cooperative to have physical restraints.

Lastly, Dr. Halliman referenced the second sentence from the email she received so that the Operating Committee was aware of an upcoming article. The article is going to feature a student that attended SPEED and what that student's experiences were at SPEED. Information regarding the district or the name of the student was not mentioned in the email.

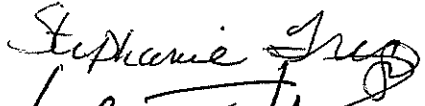
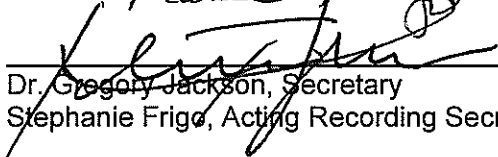
In the meantime, SPEED has increased training in regards to restraints. Independence has had a decrease in physical restraints.

Dr. Navarre commented on the possibility of bringing back Independence High School because the number of restraints will increase due to the addition of the high school. Dr. Navarre is concerned about how to resolve situations in his district that result in restraints because the students refuse to stop the behavior. Dr. Leak suggested that it needs to be figured out how to present a case while honoring the political nature of what is going. As Dr. Halliman receives additional information on the student and district being featured in the article, she will pass it along to the effected district.

Dr. Smith questioned if there was anything SPEED can change in regards to professional development strands such as CPI and Devereaux; how will SPEED address additional trainings so that everyone is on the same page with the expectations of the new procedures. Dr. Halliman explained the additional trainings that have been implemented as it relates to SOS teams and different restraint programs.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bean adjourned the meeting at 9:29 a.m..

Dr. Gregory Jackson, Secretary
Stephanie Frigo, Acting Recording Secretary

Date: 12-17-2019

Mr. Ron Bean, President
SPEED Operating Committee