

SPEED S.E.J.A. #802

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting
SPEED Governing Board
Zoom Teleconference
7:00 p.m.

July 21, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bean called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

On roll call the following answered present: Ms. Deborah Havighorst, District 153; Ms. Christina Vlietstra, District 161; Mr. Ron Bean, District 162; Dr. Christina Dupee, District 163; Ms. Tammy Jones, District 168; Ms. Karen Turner, 194; Dr. Todd Hall, 201U; Ms. Karen King, District 206 and Cheryl Coleman, District 227 (arrived at 7:23 p.m.)

Absent: Ms. Carlene Matthews, District 144; Mr. John Dixon, District 167; Mr. Samuel Lawrence, District 169; Ms. Katherine Kelly, District 170; Mr. Roger Sons, District 172; and Ms. Michelle Hoereth, District 233.

Dr. Halliman, Superintendent was present as well as the following SPEED Staff: Ms. Brenda Murillo, Director of Business and Finance; Ms. Vanessa Duffin, Director of Human Resources; Dr. Maureen White, Director of District Services; Mr. Gregory Furgason, Director of Technology; Supervisor, Ms. Sue Janacek. Principals: Ms. April Spencer, Ms. Linda Wilson

Also present: Mr. Eric Grodsky, Attorney from Izzo, Petrarca, Gleason & Stillman, LLC

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Ms. Renada Hardy, President of SEA

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

ESY Update

Dr. Halliman reported that we have concluded our Extended School Year program for the summer. The theme this year was: "Gardening, It's Not Easy Being Green". During our August meeting we will have a presentation on the student's work and progress however the following is a brief statistical synopsis. The final day of Summer School was July 7, 2022. We ended with 192 students for the summer. We anticipated approximately 200, but some of those students did not enroll. 192 did exceed our enrollment from last year which was 165.

Teacher Institute Days

Teacher Institute is scheduled for August 11-12, 2022. Our keynote speaker will be Dr. Courtney Orzel. The topic will be "Finding Your Why". We did this topic as an Admin. Academy with our Administrators. Dr. Orzel is now able to share with our entire SPEED staff.

Administrative Retreat

We are currently in the planning stages of our Administrative Retreat which is scheduled for August 2-5, 2022. We also, as in the past, host an Admin. Academy for all administrators so that one requirement to maintain your certification is completed. IASA will conduct the Admin. Academy which will address Communication Strategies.

Theme 2022/2023

Dr. Halliman shared that we have decided on our theme for the 2022-2023 School Year, "Blooming with Grace, The Seeds You Plant Matter!" The acronym for G.R.A.C.E. is: Genuine Responsiveness to Academic Challenges and Experience. Everything that we do this year including our Goals, Professional Development and things of this nature will fall under the theme for the year.

New Cabinet

Dr. Halliman introduced the new cabinet members to the Board. Dr. Antonia Hill, Director of District Program and Services along with Ms. Sonya Douglas, Director of Human Resources. They have hit the ground running and have meshed well with our SPEED family.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. Murillo reported that at the end of June, we received 73% of the revenues and have expended 75% of the budget. This is an estimated \$500K of revenues not received on time to match our expenditures. However, there is \$600K of uncollected tuition bills and we are also expecting \$181K in grant reimbursements. We will close the gap in time.

Mr. Bean, did you send out the bills and notify the superintendent's that the bills are outstanding? Ms. Murillo stated that she has begun doing this practice and would send them out again.

Dr. Halliman stated that the process of including the superintendents and business managers on the collection effort communication has really helped in the collection of those past due invoices. Another item that our member districts are working on as it relates to finance is meeting MOE within their districts. Ms. Murillo has been working diligently with the business managers within the member districts that have not met MOE. She further stated that we no longer handle the IDEA Grants here in SPEED, but we do offer that technical assistance.

Dr. Halliman stated that just as a heads up, August is the month that we will present the budget. Ms. Murillo will present the budget for the upcoming school year. The budget will include the realignment of our Central Office support staff positions. Dr. Halliman stated that she is entering her 5th or 6th year at SPEED, and this is something that has been loosely on our agenda but through the attrition of our Director of Human Resources, we have only been able to update a couple of our support staff positions so this will be included in the budget when presented.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:11 p.m. Ms. Deborah Havighorst, District 153 moved, seconded by Dr. Christina Dupee, District 163 that the Governing Board that pursuant to the Open Meetings Act Section 2(c)(1), Section 2(c)(10) and Section 2(c)(11) the Governing Board goes into closed session to discuss the employment, compensation, and/or performance of a specific employee of SPEED and or matters regarding students.

On roll call vote: Ms. Deborah Havighorst, District 153; Ms. Christina Vlietstra, District 161; Mr. Ron Bean, District 162; Dr. Christina Dupee, District 163; Ms. Tammy Jones, District 168; Ms. Karen Turner, 194; Dr. Todd Hall, 201U and Ms. Karen King, District 206.

Absent: Ms. Carlene Matthews, District 144; Mr. John Dixon, District 167; Mr. Samuel Lawrence, District 169; Ms. Katherine Kelly, District 170; Mr. Roger Sons, District 172; Cheryl Coleman, District 227 and Ms. Michelle Hoereth, District 233.

Nays: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Karen King, District 206 moved, seconded by Ms. Tammy Jones, District 168 that the Governing Board ratifies the Consent Agenda items A, B, C, D and E as approved by the Operating Committee at its June 16, 2022, meeting.

- A. Personnel Reports
- B. Approval of Minutes of May 26, 2022
- C. Approval of Closed Session Minutes of May 26, 2022
- D. Approval of Recurring and Non-Recurring Bills
- E. Approval of Imprest and Activity Funds – May 2022

On roll call vote: Ms. Deborah Havighorst, District 153; Ms. Christina Vlietstra, District 161; Mr. Ron Bean, District 162; Dr. Christina Dupee, District 163; Ms. Tammy Jones, District 168; Ms. Karen Turner, 194; Dr. Todd Hall, 201U and Ms. Karen King, District 206.

Absent: Ms. Carlene Matthews, District 144; Mr. John Dixon, District 167; Mr. Samuel Lawrence, District 169; Ms. Katherine Kelly, District 170; Mr. Roger Sons, District 172; Ms. Cheryl Coleman, District 227 and Ms. Michelle Hoereth, District 233.

Nays: None

NEW BUSINESS

8A. Aligning TRS and IMRF Benefits for Leadership Team

Ms. Karen King, District 206 moved, seconded by Dr. Todd Hall, 201U that the Governing Board approve the amended changes to the TRS and IMRF employer contribution for remaining members of the leadership from 50% to 100% congruent to all other member administrators.

On roll call vote: Ms. Deborah Havighorst, District 153; Ms. Christina Vlietstra, District 161; Mr. Ron Bean, District 162; Dr. Christina Dupee, District 163; Ms. Tammy Jones, District 168; Ms. Karen Turner, 194; Dr. Todd Hall, 201U and Ms. Karen King, District 206.

Absent: Ms. Carlene Matthews, District 144; Mr. John Dixon, District 167; Mr. Samuel Lawrence, District 169; Ms. Katherine Kelly, District 170; Mr. Roger Sons, District 172; Ms. Cheryl Coleman, District 227 and Ms. Michelle Hoereth, District 233.

Nays: None

8B. Employment of Assistant Principal

Ms. Deborah Havighorst, District 153 moved, seconded by Dr. Christina Dupee, District 163 that the Governing Board approves the employment of the selected candidate for the position of Assistant Principal in the Independence Program.

On roll call vote: Ms. Deborah Havighorst, District 153; Ms. Christina Vlietstra, District 161; Mr. Ron Bean, District 162; Dr. Christina Dupee, District 163; Ms. Tammy Jones, District 168; Ms. Karen Turner, 194; Dr. Todd Hall, 201U and Ms. Karen King, District 206.

Absent: Ms. Carlene Matthews, District 144; Mr. John Dixon, District 167; Mr. Samuel Lawrence, District 169; Ms. Katherine Kelly, District 170; Mr. Roger Sons, District 172; Ms. Cheryl Coleman, District 227 and Ms. Michelle Hoereth, District 233.

Nays: None

OLD BUSINESS

9A. Transportation Agreement Renewal

Ms. Karen King, District 206 moved, seconded by Dr. Christina Dupee, District 163 that the Governing Board approves the one-year contract extension for the 2022-2023 school year with Cook Illinois/ABC Bus Company at an increase of 13%.

Dr. Halliman stated that the process was arduous but the 13% was a fair ask given the percentages that our member districts are receiving. We may be the 2nd lowest increase if you are not in a multi-year contract. We are still going to partner with them to provide de-escalation training (unless we hear something from the board) to their drivers, who drive our students because it benefits our students. We would like to maintain this partnership even though we had a very rough school year last year. The bus company has made some concessions and hired some additional staff, hopefully this will include another route for our Independence school to eliminate some of the difficulties we had last year.

On roll call vote: Ms. Deborah Havighorst, District 153; Ms. Christina Vlietstra, District 161; Mr. Ron Bean, District 162; Dr. Christina Dupee, District 163; Ms. Tammy Jones, District 168; Ms. Karen Turner, 194; Dr. Todd Hall, 201U; Ms. Karen King, District 206 and Cheryl Coleman, District 227.

Absent: Ms. Carlene Matthews, District 144; Mr. John Dixon, District 167; Mr. Samuel Lawrence, District 169; Ms. Katherine Kelly, District 170; Mr. Roger Sons, District 172; and Ms. Michelle Hoereth, District 233.

Nays: None

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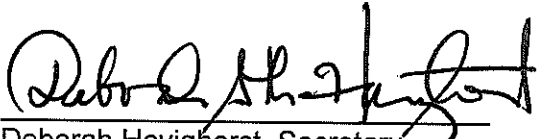
Student Enrollment Report – These numbers were reviewed during the Superintendent Report. A new report will be on the August packet.

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bean adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.



Deborah Havighorst, Secretary
Cassandra Giles, Recording Secretary

Date: _____



Mr. Bean, President
SPEED Governing Board