

SPEED S.E.J.A. #802

OPERATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

November 5, 2010

SPEED Center
1125 Division Street
Chicago Heights, IL 60411

At 9:04 a.m. Mr. Bean called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

On a roll call vote the following answered present: Ms. Comer, 144; Dr. Mitchell, 153; Ms. Wilson, 161; Dr. Davis, 162; Mr. Amadio, 170; Dr. Sawyer 172; Mr. Stawick, 194; Dr. Leak, 227; and Mr. Bean.

At 9:20 a.m. Dr. Hollich, 167, joined the meeting.

Absent:

Dr. Carmine, 163; Dr. Williams, 168; Dr. Jackson, 169; Mr. Rodgers, 201U; Mr. Giannetti, 206; and Dr. Mansfield, 233.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mr. Rob Grossi, Bloom Township Treasurer, was present to discuss the process of choosing an Auditor and their responsibilities to the school district. Ms. Nancy Wilson, District 161, was present representing Dr. Joy, Ms. Comer, District 144, was present representing Dr. Foster. The following SPEED employees were present: Brian O'Keeffe, Director of Business and Finance, Diane Gallik, Director of District Services, Melissa Jasieniecki, PAL Program Principal, Linda Wilson, ELC Program Principal, Nicole Smith, Human Resource Specialist, Laura Fisher, Director of Teaching and Learning, and Janet Nozar, SEA President.

Report from Superintendent

Dr. Walters spoke on how well the Multi-District Conference went, stating that the participants from Speed and the member districts enjoyed the day and all of the presenters were excellent.

It was reported that the conference was budgeted \$240,000 in ARRA funds and the actual cost was approximately \$112,000. The balance would be used for other projects which will enhance student learning and professional development opportunities at SPEED.

Dr. Walters mentioned that SPEED is a member of the Special Education Urban Collaborative and attended the fall meeting. The Urban Collaborative is group that looks at the issues of students with disabilities in urban areas. One of the initiatives the group discussed was districts piloting a fund blending using IDEA funds.

Dr. Walters asked the Superintendents if they would be interested.

Dr. Walters reviewed a software program for psychological data 360 for Behavior Tracking and asked them to do a presentation. The program should align with SWIS but will provide additional support for analyzing data and providing support/training to teachers and administrators. The cost is approximately \$6,000 or \$3.00 per student, per year. We are hoping to agree to a perpetual license in order to use ARRA funds.

Township Treasurer Presentation – Mr. Rob Grossi was present at the meeting and explained the audit process and the roles and responsibilities of the auditors.

Mr. Bean explained that the Governing Board had requested that a Request for Proposal for Audit Services (RFP) be prepared to determine a possible change in auditor for the upcoming end of year audit.

He further stated that while there are no issues with Legacy performing the audit, the Members of the Governing Board made the suggestion as a way to eliminate any possibility of impropriety and/or bias in the audit process. He further suggested that a committee be formed to review the RFP process and asked for volunteers among the Superintendents.

Mr. Stawick, 194, Dr. Mitchell, 153, Dr. Sawyer, 172, and Dr. Hollich, 167, all agreed to be a part of the committee to review the RFP for Auditing Services.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Dr. Leak, that the Operating Committee approves the Consent Agenda.

Approval of Minutes of September 17, 2010

Bill Listing, Imprest and Activity Funds for September 2010

Approval of Bills of September 1 - 30, 2010 in the amount of \$368,884.30

Approval of Bills of October 1 – 31, 2010 in the amount of \$510,779.64

Tentative Approval of Bills from November 1 – 30 and December 1 – 31, 2010

Personnel as listed:

LEAVES			
NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE	PROGRAM
Cavazos, Myrna	Social Worker	1/3/2011 - 5/2/11	IND
Durr, Golden	Paraprofessional	10/11/10 - 1/3/11	IND
Kolosh, Monica	Teacher	10/25/2010 - 12/17/2010	IND
Kutemeier, Melissa	Paraprofessional	11/5/10 - 1/3/11	ELC
Pavlovic, Slavica	Teacher	9/20/10 - 12/14/10	PAL
Rucker, Michael	Paraprofessional	10/19/2010 - 11/1/2010	IND
Siusinskas, Viktorija	Teacher	10/18/10 - 3/21/11	PAL

On a roll call vote: Ayes: Districts: 144, 153, 161, 162, 167, 170, 172, 194, 227, and Mr. Bean.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Stawick moved, seconded by Dr. Sawyer, that the Operating Committee approves the following New Business items:

Dental Broker Services with Corporate Benefit Consultants, Inc. (CBC, Inc.) to provide services related to SPEED’s dental plan at a flat rate fee of \$4,000 from October 1, 2010 – September 30, 2011 which is a savings of approximately \$5,000. This results in an overall reduction of 6 percent.

NEW BUSINESS - continued

Delta Dental Renewal with Delta Dental

Wheelchair Accessible Van purchase of two 2011 Dodge Caravan's at a cost of \$33,613 each for a total cost of \$67,226.

Policy Revisions - The adoption of the policy revisions to maintain legal compliance.

On a roll call vote: Ayes: Districts: 144, 153, 161, 162, 167, 170, 172, 194, 227, and Mr. Bean.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

At 9:20 a.m. Dr. Sawyer moved, seconded by Dr. Davis, that the Operating Committee goes into closed session to discuss the employment, compensation and/or performance of a specific employee of SPEED and to discuss pending, probable and/or imminent litigation.

At 10:14 a.m. Dr. Hollich moved, seconded by Dr. Leak, that the Operating Committee return to Open Session.

Action on issues as discussed in closed session

Closed Session Minutes

Dr. Leak moved, seconded by Dr. Sawyer, and as advised from the attorney, that the Operating Committee approve the closed meeting minutes dated June 25, 2009, September 18, 2009, October 30, 2009, December 4, 2009, January 15, 2010, and March 18, 2010, remain closed to the public.

Motion carried by voice vote.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

District Rep Meeting Agenda
SPEED Programs and Services
Multi-District Institute Day flyer
Format for Job Description's

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:14 Mr. Bean adjourned the meeting.

Dr. Dale Mitchell, Secretary Pro-Tem
Mary, Keenan, Recording Secretary

Date: _____

Mr. Ron Bean, President
SPEED Operating Committee