

# SPEED S.E.J.A. #802

## OPERATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting  
SPEED Operating Committee  
1125 Division Street  
Chicago Heights, IL  
9:00 a.m.

September 16, 2021

### CALL TO ORDER

At 9:00 a.m. Dr. Jackson called the meeting to order.

### ROLL CALL

On roll call the following members answered present: Mr. Hardmon, 144; Dr. John Gibson, 153; Ms. Duskey, 162; Dr. Nottke, 163; Ms. Hatzel, 167; Dr. Johnson, 168 (arrived at 9:08); Dr. Jackson, 169; Dr. Sutton, 172; Dr. Belotti, 201U; Dr. Navarre, 206 and Dr. Mansfield, 233 (arrived at 9:12)

Absent: Dr. Smith, 161; Mr. Amadio, 170; Dr. Frusher, 194; Dr. Thomas, 227 and Mr. Bean

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; Ms. Sue Janacek, Programs and Services; Mr. Gregory Furgason, Director of Technology and Principals; Ms. April Brown and Ms. Amina Payne.

Also present was Mr. Ray Hauser, Attorney from Hauser, Izzo, Petrarca, Gleason & Stillman, LLC.

### RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Ms. Renada Hardy, Union President was in attendance along with Dr. Buchannan, Director of Special Ed., SD #169

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

#### **Shields Testing Agreement**

Dr. Halliman updated the board on the Shields Testing. Last month, both boards approved us to enter into an agreement for Shields Testing. The application has been approved. We now have a relationship manager assigned to us. Her name is Naomi LeSure as well as a third-party collection partner, Visit Healthcare. Introductory meetings have been scheduled. We have begun the process of the Opt-Out Consent Forms available for staff and family.

#### **Vaccination Mandate Update**

Dr. Halliman stated that last year we reported on staff that reported to us if they had been fully vaccinated. SPEED has given employees until the close of business day September 17 to verify their verification status. To date, 62% (approximately 144) of our employees have verified their status. All partially vaccinated and unvaccinated employees will begin testing onsite weekly. The testing will take place after the students have cleared the building. We will

begin promptly at 2:30 pm next Wednesday, September 22, 2021 and will continue until 3:30 pm. The nursing staff will use the diagnostic BinaxNow COVID-19 test until we have the Shields test in place. We anticipate testing approximately 88 employees weekly until they are fully vaccinated or those that do not desire to be tested will continue with weekly testing.

### **Professional Development**

SPEED's professional development offerings are back in full effect. On September 24th we will be offering our second PD day for the 2021-22 school year. The focus will be on more differentiated for all staff disciplines. Certified teaching staff will train on our Unique curriculum for our low incidence students and CCSS. Paraprofessionals will have two sessions on teacher and paraprofessional partnerships. And finally, our related services providers will receive 'My Service Tracker' (Medicaid Provider) training from Hawthorne Associates. Dr. White will meet with your District Reps tomorrow to discuss your staff professional development needs in your respective districts.

### **SPEED Swag**

Each of you should have Opening Day Speed Sway which includes a tote bag promoting our theme this year which is "Pivot with Purpose, Cultivating Growth Mindsets" as well as our School Calendar in magnet form.

Dr. Gibson asked if he could have a bag? Dr. Halliman stated that we will provide him with a bag. Each representative was asked to take the gifts back to their superintendent.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ms. Murillo reported that at the end of August we've expended 10% of the budgeted expenditures and received 9% of the budgeted revenues. The ESY billing was released August 30 and August tuition billing will be released tomorrow (August 17).

At the end of August, we've expended 10% of the budgeted expenditures and received 9% of the budgeted revenues. The ESY billing was released on 8/30/202. The August tuition billing will be released tomorrow, September 17.

Ms. Murillo stated that we have been unable to rent the property space at our 410 Ashland building so we will meet with B&G to review what cosmetic changes can be made to the rental spaces to attract more interest.

On September 7<sup>th</sup>, the Academy held the first garage sale for the school year. These garage sales will be held every Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

In August, the ALL program received donations of small size hand sanitizer bottles and student school kits. The hand sanitizers are given to every customer at the Allure store. 183 student kits will be distributed next week to all students in each program at SPEED.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 9:05 a.m., Dr. Navarre moved, seconded by Dr. Gibson that pursuant to the Open Meetings Act Section 2(c)(1), Section 2(c)(10) and Section 2(c)(11) the Operating Committee goes into closed session to discuss the employment, compensation, and/or performance of a specific employee of SPEED and or matters regarding students. Any items needing approval will be voted on during open

session.

On a roll call vote: Mr. Hardmon, 144; Dr. John Gibson, 153; Ms. Duskey, 162; Dr. Nottke, 163; Ms. Hatczel, 167; Dr. Jackson, 169; Dr. Sutton, 172; Dr. Belotti, 201U; Dr. Navarre, 206

Absent: Dr. Smith, 161; Dr. Johnson, 168; Mr. Amadio, 170; Dr. Frusher, 194; Dr. Thomas, 227; Dr. Mansfield, 233 and Mr. Bean

Nays: None

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Dr. Navarre moved, seconded by Dr. Sutton that the Operating Committee approves the Consent Agenda items A through E as presented.

- A. Personnel Report**
- B. Approval of August 29, 2021 Open Session Minutes**
- C. Approval of August 29, 2021 Closed Session Minutes**
- D. Approval of Non-Recurring and Recurring Bills**
- E. Approval of Imprest and Activity Funds for August 2021**

On a roll call vote: On a roll call vote: Mr. Hardmon, 144; Dr. John Gibson, 153; Ms. Duskey, 162; Dr. Nottke, 163; Ms. Hatczel, 167; Dr. Johnson, 168; Dr. Jackson, 169; Dr. Sutton, 172; Dr. Belotti, 201U; Dr. Navarre, 206 and Dr. Mansfield, 233

Absent: Dr. Smith, 161; Mr. Amadio, 170; Dr. Frusher, 194; Dr. Thomas, 227 and Mr. Bean

Nays: None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Employment of Assistant Principal**

Dr. Sutton, 172 moved, seconded by Dr. Gibson, 153 that the Operating Committee approves the employment of Ashley Jarrell for the position of Assistant Principal at the Independence Program (IND).

On a roll call vote: On a roll call vote: Mr. Hardmon, 144; Dr. John Gibson, 153; Ms. Duskey, 162; Dr. Nottke, 163; Ms. Hatczel, 167; Dr. Johnson, 168; Dr. Jackson, 169; Dr. Sutton, 172; Dr. Belotti, 201U; Dr. Navarre, 206 and Dr. Mansfield, 233

Absent: Dr. Smith, 161; Mr. Amadio, 170; Dr. Frusher, 194; Dr. Thomas, 227 and Mr. Bean

Nays: None

### **OLD BUSINESS**

NONE

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

Student Enrollment Report

**AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

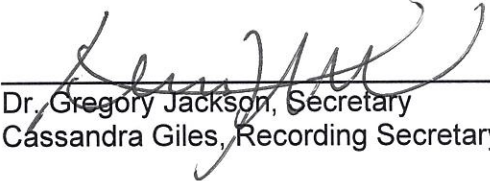
None

**ADJOURNMENT**

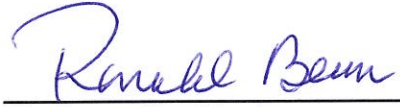
Dr. Navarre moved, seconded by Dr. Sutton that the Operating Committee be adjourned.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Dr. Jackson adjourned the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Gregory Jackson, Secretary  
Cassandra Giles, Recording Secretary

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Bean, President  
SPEED Operating Committee