

SPEED S.E.J.A. #802

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting
SPEED Operating Committee
SPEED Building
9:00 a.m.

April 27, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bean called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

On roll call the following answered present: Ms. Jordan, District 144; Mrs. Havighorst, District 153; Mrs. Huckabee, District 161; Mr. Dixon, District 167; Mrs. Jones, District 168; Ms. Nicole Sanders, District 170; Mr. Drake, District 206; Dr. Woods, District 227; and Mr. Bean, District 162.

Absent: Ms. Braxton, District 163; Mr. Sherman, District 169; Mr. Walstra, District 172; Ms. Edwards, District 194; Mrs. Kimberly Sanders, District 201U; and Mr. Lindstrom, District 233.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Sharon Rossiter, Superintendent, was present as well as the following SPEED Staff: Kevin Slattery, Director of Business and Finance; Sharon Curry, Director of Human Resources; Linda Wilson, Principal of the Independence Program; and Nicole Taylor, Program Supervisor of the Academy for Lifelong Learning and Tim Jonke, Director of Technology.

Also present was Mr. Ray Hauser, from Hauser Izzo.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:10 p.m. Mrs. Havighorst moved, seconded by Mrs. Huckabee that the Governing Board go 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 and/or matters regarding students.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Approval of items discussed in Closed Session will occur in Open Session.

OPEN SESSION

At 8:07 p.m. Mrs. Huckabee moved, seconded by Mr. Drake that the Governing Board returns to Open Session.

Motion Carried by voice vote.

MOTION TO TERMINATE EMPLOYMENT OF A PARAPROFESSIONAL

Mrs. Huckabee moved, seconded by Mr. Drake to approve the termination of a paraprofessional as discussed in closed session and approved by the Operating Committee at its April 24, 2017 Meeting.

On a roll call vote: Ayes: Ms. Jordan, District 144; Mrs. Havighorst, District 153; Mrs. Huckabee, District 161; Mrs. Jones, District 168; Ms. Sanders, District 170; Mr. Drake, District 206; Dr. Woods, District 227; and Mr. Bean, District 162

Nays: Mr. Dixon, District 167

Motion Carried

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Student and Staff handbooks are in the process of being updated for next year.
- ESY preparations are underway. The positions have been posted and the letters are going out to the parents. Typically we have about 325 student attending ESY, which will run from mid-June to mid-July this year.
- The Principals are working on staffing & enrollment projections for next school year.
- Mr. Slattery is working on the FY18 budget.
- Bambinos Family Restaurant in Steger held a benefit for autism. Close to 200 people attended. They raised over \$15,000 for SPEED's Autism Program. The SPEED Connections Program has designated specific classrooms for kids that have autism. All of the funds raised will benefit the Autism programs at SPEED.
- SPEED's annual retirement and years of service dinner will be Thursday May 18 at 6:00 PM at Idlewild Country Club.
- Mr. Hauser provided an update on the ongoing EEOC Investigation. They have found that we did engage in age discrimination and they have fined us \$55,000 for that. We are still negotiating a conciliation agreement, whereby we would pay the \$55,000 and that would be the end of it. This amount is approximately \$8,000 more than we would have had to pay for back pay.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- As of March 31, we are 75% through our fiscal year and SPEED has expended 74% of anticipated expenditures and realized 74% of our anticipated revenue.

- We have billed our districts \$8.6M for the months of August through February and we have realized \$7.3M of that billing.
- Our transportation contract is up for renewal. Mr. Slattery called the bus company and let them know that the 7.5% increase that they are asking for was not approved by our Operating Committee. The bus company will not budge on this increase of 7.5%. The increase is consistent with other co-ops. Large increases are being blamed on recruiting and retaining good employees. The original increase that the bus company asked for was 9%. Mr. Slattery has negotiated that down to 7.5%. SPEED bus routes are not standard bus routes as other districts. Our current bus company does all of the accounting work of billing the districts and scheduling the routes. This is a great benefit for SPEED. If we go out to bid we could end up paying quite a bit more than the 7.5% increase. We will continue to work with the bus company and report again at the next meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Havighorst moved, seconded by Mrs. Huckabee that the Governing Board ratifies the Consent Agenda as presented:

- A. Personnel Report
- B. Approval of Open Session Minutes of March 16, 2016
- C. Approval of Closed Session Minutes of March 16, 2016
- D. Ratification of Recurring and Non-Recurring Bills from March, 2017 through April, 2017
- E. Approval of Recurring Bills Dated April 21, 2017

On a roll call vote: Ayes: Ms. Jordan, District 144; Mrs. Havighorst, District 153; Mrs. Huckabee, District 161; Mr. Dixon, District 167; Mrs. Jones, District 168; Ms. Sanders, District 170; Mr. Drake, District 206; Dr. Woods, District 227; and Mr. Bean, District 162

Nays: None

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Huckabee moved, seconded by Ms. Jordan that the Governing Board ratifies the following New Business items:

- A. March 2017 Policy Updates
- B. United Cerebral Palsy/Infinitic Agreement FY18 Renewal
- C. Telephone Service Agreement Renewal
- D. Resolution Recommending an Amendment of SPEED Policy to the Governing Board

On a roll call vote: Ayes: Ms. Jordan, District 144; Mrs. Havighorst, District 153; Mrs. Huckabee, District 161; Mr. Dixon, District 167; Mrs. Jones, District 168; Ms. Sanders, District 170; Mr. Drake, District 206; Dr. Woods, District 227; and Mr. Bean, District 162

Nays: None

Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:31 p.m. Mrs. Havighorst moved, seconded by Mrs. Jones to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried by voice vote.



Mrs. Kimberly Sanders, Secretary
Lori Koditek, Recording Secretary

Date: 6-15-17



Mr. Ron Bean, President
SPEED Governing Board