

SPEED S.E.J.A. #802

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting
SPEED Governing Board
SPEED Building
7:00 p.m.

August 24, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bean called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

STAFF PRESENT

Margie Lenoir, Interim Executive Director, Al Travaglini, Interim Executive Director, was present as well as the following SPEED Staff: Kevin Slattery, Director of Business and Finance; Kristin Elliot, Director of District Services; Sharon Curry, Director of Human Resources; Tim Jonke, Director of Technology; April Brown, Principal at PAL; Linda Wilson, Principal at Independence and Predonna Roberts, Consultant.

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

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Ms. Lenoir

Ms. Lenoir spoke about opening day. We had all staff back on August 17 for a breakfast and to hear from a guest speaker, Ms. Elizabeth Hennings. Ms. Henning's theme was "Creating a Climate of Joy for All." Ms. Hennings was informative and interactive with the audience. We received positive feedback from staff for the day. Earlier in the week we also conducted bus training, substitute training and new staff training.

Ms. Lenoir and Mr. Travaglini have divided the Executive Director duties to more efficiently serve the District. Ms. Lenoir will be working with the Principals to develop each leader collectively and individually. A theme that they will be working on throughout the year is "Equipping our Leaders to Lead Others."

We are still working to fill staffing positions for the school year. Most of our instructional teachers have been hired. We are still in need of Social Workers, Speech Teachers, and Vision Teachers, among others.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Mr. Travaglini

While Ms. Lenoir works with the Principals, Mr. Travaglini will be working closely the District Administrators throughout the year. Mr. Travaglini explained that there will be daily communication between him and Ms. Lenoir to ensure proper support for the District.

Medicare Fee for Service checks went out at the beginning of the month to the districts. New this year on prescriptions for OT, PT, Speech, etc. must contain a doctor's code.

All the grants that SPEED monitors have all been written and sent up to ISBE. The majority of the grants have been approved. We are still waiting for a couple of districts to make MOE. Money can be spent but we cannot submit for reimbursement yet.

Buildings & Grounds did a great job preparing the buildings and parking lots for the opening of school this year.

The Executive Directors have met many times with the principals to ensure budget numbers are adequate for staffing needs.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The FY17 budget ended June 30, 2017 with a fund balance of 5.3M. SPEED expended \$25.3M and realized \$25.4M. There were higher amounts of revenue than anticipated due to FY16 funds that were received in FY17. SPEED collected \$120,000 in miscellaneous revenue for a Workers Compensation Insurance rebate from 2013.

There was approximately \$1.5M in unexpected expenditures. Half of the unexpected expenditures were covered by grants. Benefit costs were under-budgeted in FY17. Adjustments have been made to the FY18 budget to account for the increased cost of benefits.

In FY18 SPEED has budgeted an additional \$150,000 more for legal fees due to the fact that contract negotiations will soon begin.

Mr. Slattery presented a comparison of actual FY17 expenses vs. proposed FY18 budgeted expenses. The total budget is between \$25M – \$26M. A lot of those expenses are offset by the grants.

SPEED's goal is to end FY18 with a \$5.3M fund balance. SPEED's fund balance is very strong compared to other co-ops.

CLOSED SESSION

At 8:04 p.m. Mrs. Jones moved, seconded by Mrs. Havighorst that the Governing Board go into closed session to discuss the employment, compensation, and/or performance of a specific employee of SPEED and/or to discuss pending, probable, and/or imminent litigation and/or matters regarding students.

Items discussed in closed session will be voted on in open session.

Motion carried by voice vote.

OPEN SESSION

At 8:17 p.m. Mrs. Huckabee moved, seconded by Mr. Sherman that the Governing Board returns to Open Session.

Motion Carried by voice vote.

ROLL CALL

On roll call the following answered present: Ms. Davis, District 144; Mrs. Havighorst, District 153; Mrs. Huckabee, District 161; Mrs. Jones, District 168; Mr. Sherman, District 169; Mr. Karwowski, District 170; Ms. Bannon, District 233; and Mr. Bean, District 162.

Absent: Ms. Braxton, District 163; Mr. Dixon, District 167; Mr. Walstra, District 172; Ms. Edwards, District 194; Mr. Turay, District 2012U; Mr. Drake, District 206; and Dr. Woods, District 227.

EEOC Conciliation Agreement

Mrs. Huckabee moved, seconded by Mr. Sherman to approve the EEOC Conciliation Agreement as discussed in closed session.

On a roll call vote: Ayes: Ms. Davis, District 144; Mrs. Havighorst, District 153; Mrs. Huckabee, District 161; Mrs. Jones, District 168; Mr. Sherman, District 169; Mr. Karwowski, District 170; Ms. Bannon, District 233; and Mr. Bean, District 162

Nays: None

Motion Carried

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A. Personnel Report**
- B. Approval of Open Session Minutes of July 20, 2017**
- C. Approval of Closed Session Minutes of July 20, 2017**
- D. Approval of Recurring and Non-Recurring Bills from July, 2017 and August, 2017**

On a roll call vote: Ayes: Ms. Davis, District 144; Mrs. Havighorst, District 153; Mrs. Huckabee, District 161; Mrs. Jones, District 168; Mr. Sherman, District 169; Mr. Karwowski, District 170; Ms. Bannon, District 233; and Mr. Bean, District 162

Nays: None

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Huckabee moved, seconded by Mr. Karwowski that the Governing Board ratifies the following New Business item:

A. Approval of Policy Revisions as outlined by the IASB Press Plus Policy Subscription

On a roll call vote: Ayes: Ms. Davis, District 144; Mrs. Havighorst, District 153; Mrs. Huckabee, District 161; Mrs. Jones, District 168; Mr. Sherman, District 169; Mr. Karwowski, District 170; Ms. Bannon, District 233; and Mr. Bean, District 162

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Mrs. Huckabee moved, seconded by Mrs. Jones that the Governing Board ratifies the following New Business item:

B. Approval of the Illinois State Budget for the 2017-2018 School Year

On a roll call vote: Ayes: Ms. Davis, District 144; Mrs. Havighorst, District 153; Mrs. Huckabee, District 161; Mrs. Jones, District 168; Mr. Sherman, District 169; Mr. Karwowski, District 170; Ms. Bannon, District 233; and Mr. Bean, District 162

Nays: None

Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bean adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.



Mrs. Deborah Havighorst, Secretary
Lori Koditek, Recording Secretary

Date: 11-2-17



Mr. Ron Bean, President
SPEED Governing Board