

# SOUTH EASTERN SPECIAL EDUCATION

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**SESE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, January 17, 2024**  
**SESE Central Office**  
**Newton, IL**

**TENTATIVE MINUTES**

The January meeting of the South Eastern Special Education Executive Board was held Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 9:30 a.m., at the SESE Central Office in Newton, IL. Jessica Sisil, Chairperson for the SESE Executive Board, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Members present: Joe Sornberger, Jason Fox, Josh Quick, Michelle Meese, Jakie Walker, Keith Price, and Chair Jessica Sisil.

Members absent: Travis Titsworth, Cathy Croy, Joel Hackney, and Doug Daugherty.

The agenda was presented for review. Meese moved, seconded by Walker to approve the agenda. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

Quick moved, seconded by Fox to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

Walker moved, seconded by Fox to approve the First Reading of the IASB Recommended Policy Updates. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

The Executive Board did not go into closed session.

The Family Medical Leave Request for Nicole Fitch, Speech Language Pathologist, beginning approximately February 20, 2024 and expecting to return on May 24, 2024 was acknowledged.

Quick moved, seconded by Walker to approve the resignations of Erik Bloom, Special Education Teacher, retroactive to January 3, 2024 and Zoe Diamond, Educational Support Personnel, retroactive to January 10, 2024. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Quick, Sisil, Meese, Walker, and Price voting yea. Motion carried.

Meese moved, seconded by Fox to employ, upon EHR background check completion and licensure, Jordan Christian, Educational Support Personnel, retroactive to January 4, 2024 and Bethany Orsburn, Educational Support Personnel, retroactive to January 8, 2024. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Quick, Sisil, Meese, Walker, and Price voting yea. Motion carried.

There was a brief discussion regarding an employee wanting to take personal time off that would be dock time.

Approved to disclose August 2023 through December 2023 Closed Session Meeting Minutes.

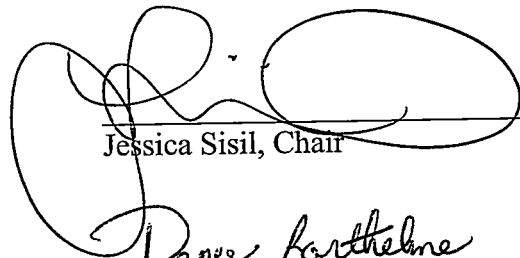
The Case Study Evaluation Report was reviewed.

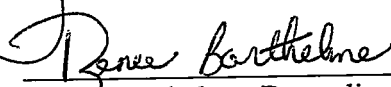
Director Kessler gave an update on the old Central Office property in Ste. Marie.

There was a brief discussion regarding the Excess Cost and IDEA Grants.

Director Kessler reminded the Board Members of the Governing Board Meeting on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. at Robinson High School.

There being no further business, Sornberger moved, seconded by Quick to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried. Time: 9:58 a.m.

  
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Jessica Sisil, Chair

  
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Renee Barthelme, Recording Secretary