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SESE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING Thursday, December 5, 2024 SESE Central Office Newton, IL

TENTATIVE MINUTES

The December meeting of the South Eastern Special Education Executive Board was held Thursday, December 5, 2024 at 9:30 a.m., at the SESE Central Office in Newton, IL. Joel Hackney, Chairperson for the SESE Executive Board, called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

Members present: Joe Sornberger, Jason Fox, Travis Titsworth, Kyle Klier, Jakie Walker, Doug Daugherty, Keith Price, and Chair Joel Hackney.

Members absent: Michelle Meese, Jessica Sisil, and John Neubaum.

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

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

Josh Quick, Illinois SLD Support Project Regional Specialist, gave a presentation of the Supports and Services available to Districts through the SLD Support Project.

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

At 10:08 a.m., Sornberger moved, seconded by Fox to go into executive closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees and collective negotiations. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

At 10:24 a.m., Sornberger moved, seconded by Klier to return to regular session. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

Walker moved, seconded by Fox to approve the Family Medical Leave Requests for Anna Hixon, Autism Teacher, beginning November 19, 2024 and returning on January 6, 2025; Rebbkka Smith, Secretary/Paraprofessional, beginning December 3, 2024 and returning on January 13, 2025; and Christina Wood, Visually Impaired Teacher, beginning April 28, 2025 through June 1, 2025. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Walker, Daugherty, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Klier moved, seconded by Titsworth to accept the resignations of Tonda Richey, effective October 21, 2024; Haley Pisel, effective November 6, 2024; and Bethany Orsburn, effective November 22, 2024. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Walker, Daugherty, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Fox moved, seconded by Price to employ Kyia Henrichsmeyer, Educational Support Personnel, effective December 9, 2024; Lisa Kandalec, Educational Support Personnel, retroactive to November 20, 2024; ChiAnne Mattingly, Educational Support Personnel, retroactive to November 12, 2024; Jeff Monroney, Educational Support Personnel, effective January 6, 2025; and Hannah Tidwell, Educational Support Personnel, retroactive to November 20, 2024. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Walker, Daugherty, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

The 2023-2024 Audit was presented. Sornberger moved, seconded by Klier to approve the 2023-2024 Audit. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

The Case Study Evaluation Report was reviewed.

Director Kessler provided Notice of the Award of the FY 2025 School Maintenance Project Grant.

There was a brief discussion of the FY 2025 Final Allocations for the IDEA Part B Grant.

Director Kessler gave an update on the Sale Agreement of the Ste. Marie Central Office property with the Village of Ste. Marie.

There being no further business, Sornberger moved, seconded by Walker to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried. Time: 10:37 a.m.

Joel Hackney, Chair

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