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## SESE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

SESE Central Office  
Newton, IL

### TENTATIVE MINUTES

The January meeting of the South Eastern Special Education Executive Board was held Wednesday, January 15, 2025 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 9:42 a.m.

Members present: Joe Sornberger, Michelle Meese, Jakie Walker, John Neubaum, Keith Price, and Chair Joel Hackney.

Members absent: Jason Fox, Travis Titsworth, Kyle Klier, Jessica Sisil, and Doug Daugherty.

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

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

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

The Executive Board did not go into closed session.

Meese moved, seconded by Price to accept the resignation of April Volk, effective January 1, 2025. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Meese, Walker, Neubaum, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Sornberger moved, seconded by Hackney to employ Miranda Campbell, Educational Support Personnel, retroactive to January 3, 2025. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Meese, Walker, Neubaum, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Meese moved, seconded by Walker to approve to disclose July 2024 through December 2024 Closed Session Meeting Minutes.

The Case Study Evaluation Report was reviewed.

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

There was a brief discussion about Excess Cost and IDEA Part B Consolidated Grant Amendment.

Director Kessler shared and discussed the 2023-2024 District Special Education Data Profiles.

Director Kessler reminded the Board of the upcoming Governing Board Meeting: March 18, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. at Newton Elementary School.

There being no further business, Walker moved, seconded by Neubaum to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried. Time: 10:07 a.m.

  
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Joel Hackney, Chair

  
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Renee Barthelme, Recording Secretary