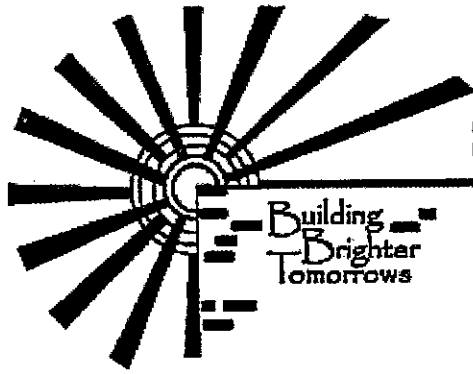




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SESE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Thursday, May 15, 2025

SESE Central Office

Newton, IL

TENTATIVE MINUTES

The May meeting of the South Eastern Special Education Executive Board was held Thursday, May 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 9:32 a.m.

Members present: Joe Sornberger, Jason Fox, Travis Titsworth, Michelle Meese, Jakie Walker, Keith Price, and Chair Joel Hackney.

Members absent: Kyle Klier, Jessica Sisil, Doug Daugherty, and John Neubaum.

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

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

Meese moved, seconded by Titsworth to approve Substitute Teacher pay at \$140.00 per day and Substitute Paraprofessional pay at \$114.08 per day for the 2025-2026 School Year. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

Fox moved, seconded by Meese to approve the Authorization to place the Tentative Amended Budget on 30 Day Review to be approved at the June 25, 2025 meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

The Executive Board did not go into closed session.

Director Kessler shared and discussed the remaining Personnel Evaluations for the 2024-2025 School Year.

Titsworth moved, seconded by Walker to approve a Leave Request for Kaitlynn Burton, Educational Support Personnel, retroactively beginning April 29, 2025 through May 13, 2025.

Roll vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Meese, Walker, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Meese moved, seconded by Walker to approve the Letters of Intent to Retire at the end of the 2028-2029 school year for Tammy Keller, School Counselor; Carol Rennier, Teacher; and Laura Songer, Teacher. Roll vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Meese, Walker, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Walker moved, seconded by Titsworth to accept the resignations of Katlin Lidy, Teacher; Jordan Maxwell, Teacher; Jada Phillips, Educational Support Personnel; and Rachel Thomas, Speech-Language Pathologist at the end of the 2024-2025 school year. Roll vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Meese, Walker, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Titsworth moved, seconded by Meese to employ Mandi Alspach, School Psychologist, for the 2025-2026 School Year. Roll vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Meese, Walker, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Meese moved, seconded by Fox to employ Elizabeth Froemling, Speech-Language Pathologist, for the 2025-2026 School Year. Roll vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Meese, Walker, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Titsworth moved, seconded by Hackney to employ Mariah Goode, Teacher, for the 2025-2026 School Year. Roll vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Meese, Walker, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Fox moved, seconded by Walker to employ Emma Johnson, Teacher, for the 2025-2026 School Year. Roll vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Meese, Walker, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Sornberger moved, seconded by Walker to employ Samantha Knoblett, Teacher, for the 2025-2026 School Year. Roll vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Meese, Walker, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Fox moved, seconded by Hackney to employ Brock McMorris, Teacher, for the 2025-2026 School Year. Roll vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Meese, Walker, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Titsworth moved, seconded by Meese to employ Carly Selby, Teacher, for the 2025-2026 School Year. Roll vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Meese, Walker, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Meese moved, seconded by Fox to employ Jonathan Williams, Teacher, for the 2025-2026 School Year. Roll vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Meese, Walker, Price, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

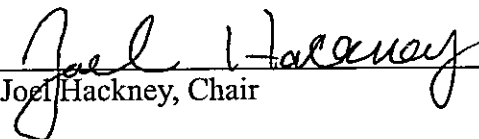
The Case Study Evaluation Report was reviewed.

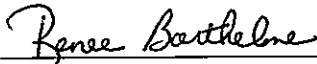
Director Kessler discussed and confirmed the Governing Board Members for the 2025-2026 School Year.

The Board reviewed an alternate date for the June 18, 2025 Executive Board Meeting and moved it to June 25, 2025.

There was a brief discussion about upcoming TCIS training in July.

There being no further business, Meese moved, seconded by Fox to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried. Time: 9:52 a.m.


Joel Hackney, Chair


Renee Barthelme, Recording Secretary