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SESE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

SESE Central Office

Newton, IL

TENTATIVE MINUTES

The February meeting of the South Eastern Special Education Executive Board was held Wednesday, February 21, 2024 at 9:30 a.m., at the SESE Central Office in Newton, IL. Joel Hackney, Acting Chairperson for the SESE Executive Board, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Members present: Joe Sornberger, Jason Fox, Travis Titsworth, Josh Quick, Michelle Meese, Jakie Walker, and Acting Chair Joel Hackney.

Members absent: Jessica Sisil, Doug Daugherty, Cathy Croy and Keith Price.

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

Visitor Kailey Bilohlavek, School Social Worker, representing the SESEA was recognized.

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

At 9:35 a.m., Meese moved, seconded by Titsworth 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 9:52 a.m., Walker moved, seconded by Titsworth to return to regular session. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

Family Medical Leave Requests for Kristen Dycus, ED Teacher, retroactively beginning February 2, 2024 and returning February 22, 2024; and Nicole Luttrell, Occupational Therapist Assistant, beginning March 13, 2024 and returning July 1, 2024 were acknowledged.

Quick moved, seconded by Titsworth to accept the resignations of Gabrielle Lyell, Educational Support Personnel, effective March 1, 2024; Brock McMorris, ECE Teacher, at the end of the 2023-2024 school year; Jessie Shuemaker, School Psychologist, retroactive to February 9, 2024; Taylor Stanley, Speech-Language Pathologist, retroactive to February 2, 2024; and Mick Whittler, School Psychologist, effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Quick, Meese, Walker, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Fox moved, seconded by Sornberger to employ Jeanne Demarois, Educational Support Personnel, upon EHR background check completion and licensure retroactive to January 30, 2024. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Quick, Meese, Walker, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Quick moved, seconded by Fox to employ Bailie Tuttle, Educational Support Personnel, upon EHR background check completion and licensure retroactive to January 25, 2024. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Quick, Meese, Walker, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Meese moved, seconded by Hackney to employ Jessica Marshall, Speech-Language Pathologist, upon EHR background check completion and licensure retroactive to February 12, 2024. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Quick, Meese, Walker, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Quick moved, seconded by Fox to employ Kalee Allen, School Psychologist, upon EHR background check completion and licensure for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Quick, Meese, Walker, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Titsworth moved, seconded by Walker to employ Mandi Alspach, School Psychologist Intern, upon EHR background check completion and licensure for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Quick, Meese, Walker, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Fox moved, seconded by Quick to employ Kealie Jenkins, School Psychologist, upon EHR background check completion and licensure for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Quick, Meese, Walker, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Sornberger moved, seconded by Meese to approve the reemployment of non-bargaining administrative and clerical staff, Morgan Fehrenbacher, Jane Gregory, Beth Leggett, Katelyn Lidy, Lisa McMorris, Robyn Payne, Renee Barthelme, Tiffany Snider, and Dale Mangum for the

2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Quick, Meese, Walker, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Sornberger moved, seconded by Titsworth to approve the reemployment of Probationary Licensed: Educational and Medical Staff, per Attachment A, for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Quick, Meese, Walker, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Fox moved, seconded by Walker to approve the reemployment of Probationary Educational Support Personnel, per Attachment B, for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Quick, Meese, Walker, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Sornberger moved, seconded by Fox to approve the Resolutions authorizing non-reemployment of First Year Non-Tenured Teachers, Mariah Earnest; Jeff Monroney; Jonathan Williams; and Second Year Non-Tenured Teachers Samantha Knoblett and Mallory Pierce. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Quick, Meese, Walker, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

The Case Study Evaluation Report was reviewed.

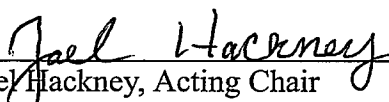
Economic Interest Statements were distributed.

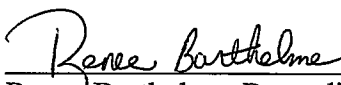
The IDEA Part B Grant amendment was discussed.

Director Kessler gave updates on the Newton Central Office and the Ste. Marie Central Office buildings.

Director Kessler reminded the Board of the Governing Board Meeting on March 19, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Robinson High School.

There being no further business, Sornberger moved, seconded by Titsworth to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried. Time: 10:16 a.m.


Joel Hackney, Acting Chair


Renee Barthelme, Recording Secretary