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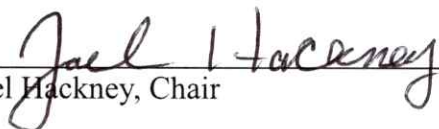
**SESE Budget Hearing  
Wednesday, July 30, 2025  
SESE Central Office  
Newton, IL**

**TENTATIVE MINUTES**

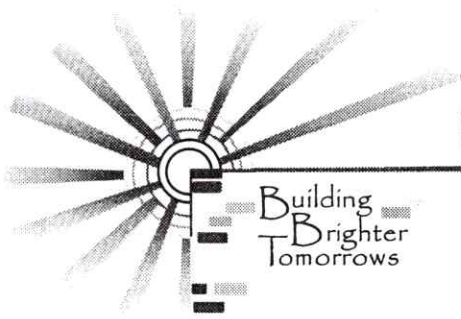
The Budget meeting of the South Eastern Special Education Executive Board was held Wednesday, July 30, 2025 at 9:15 a.m., at the SESE Central Office in Newton, IL. Joel Hackney, Chairperson for the SESE Executive Board, called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m.

There were no questions or comments.

Roll call was taken with Joe Sornberger, Jason Fox, Travis Titsworth, Kyle Klier, Jessica Sisil, and Chair Joel Hackney voting yea. Motion carried. Time 9:18 a.m.

  
Joel Hackney, Chair

  
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## **SESE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

**Wednesday, July 30, 2025**

**SESE Central Office**

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### **TENTATIVE MINUTES**

The July meeting of the South Eastern Special Education Executive Board was held Wednesday, July 30, 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 9:30 a.m.

Members present: Joe Sornberger, Jason Fox, Travis Titsworth, Kyle Klier, Jessica Sisil, John Neubaum, and Chair Joel Hackney

Members absent: Michelle Meese, Jakie Walker, Doug Daugherty, and Keith Price.

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

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

Titsworth moved, seconded by Hackney to approve working with Brandon K. Wright at Franczek P.C. Roll call was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

Neubaum moved, seconded by Klier to approve the 2025-2026 Budget. Roll call was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

The Executive Board did not go into closed session.

Titsworth moved, seconded by Fox to approve the resignations of Bailey Cox, Educational Support Personnel, effective July 2, 2025; Kelly Iffert, Educational Support Personnel, effective July 11, 2025; Amelia McPherson, Educational Support Personnel, effective July 21, 2025; LeKendra Waxler, Educational Support Personnel, effective August 1, 2025; and

Kaitlynn Burton, Educational Support Personnel, effective July 29, 2025. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Sisil, Neubaum, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Hackney moved, seconded by Titsworth to employ Mark Luzadder, ED Teacher, for the 2025-2026 School year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Sisil, Neubaum, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Fox moved, seconded by Neubaum to employ Kelsy Mayse, MSI Teacher, for the 2025-2026 School year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Sisil, Neubaum, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Sisil moved, seconded by Klier to employ Chloe Adams, Educational Support Personnel, for the 2025-2026 School year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Sisil, Neubaum, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Neubaum moved, seconded by Klier to employ Bailey Buerster, Educational Support Personnel, for the 2025-2026 School year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Sisil, Neubaum, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Sisil moved, seconded by Neubaum to employ Jordan Hamilton, Educational Support Personnel, for the 2025-2026 School year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Sisil, Neubaum, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Fox moved, seconded by Klier to employ Tonda Richey, Educational Support Personnel, for the 2025-2026 School year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Sisil, Neubaum, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Sisil moved, seconded by Klier to employ Amber Spurgeon, Educational Support Personnel, for the 2025-2026 School year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Sisil, Neubaum, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Klier moved, seconded by Fox to employ Rebecca Stephens, Educational Support Personnel, for the 2025-2026 School year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Sisil, Neubaum, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Klier moved, seconded by Neubaum to employ Nichole Evans, Educational Support Personnel, for the 2025-2026 School year. Roll call vote was taken with Sornberger, Fox, Titsworth, Klier, Sisil, Neubaum, and Hackney voting yea. Motion carried.

Titsworth moved, seconded by Hackney to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Between SESE Executive Board and SESEA Regarding Insurance Premium Contribution, \$906.00, for the 2025-2026 School Year. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.



Sornberger moved, seconded by Titsworth to approve to Open the January 2025 through June 2025 Closed Minutes. Roll call was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

Sornberger moved, seconded by Klier to approve the revised Pre-Vocational Job Description. Roll call vote was taken with all present voting yea. Motion carried.

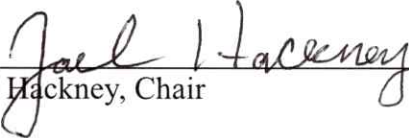
The Interagency Contractual Agreements for 2025-2026 SESE Classroom Rent were distributed.


Reviewed and Updated the 2025-2026 District Transportation Contact Information.

Director Kessler reminded the Executive Board of the upcoming Governing Board Meeting, Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at the Central Office.

There was a brief discussion about upcoming Contract Negotiations.

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: 9:51 a.m.

  
Joel Hackney, Chair

  
Renee Barthelme, Recording Secretary