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Minutes

Special Meeting

SEDOL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

April 12, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the SEDOL Executive Board was called to order by President Joanne Osmond at 9:35 a.m. on Thursday, April 12, 2018, at the SEDOL administrative offices in Gages Lake, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present

Dr. Lonny Lemon, Superintendent, Oak Grove District #68
Mrs. Carey McHugh, Governing Board Member, Wauconda Unit District #118
Mr. Jim McKay, Superintendent, Community High School District #117
Mrs. Joanne Osmond, Governing Board Member, Lake Villa District #41
Mrs. Odie Pahl, Governing Board Member, Gurnee District #56 (*arrived 9:37 a.m.*)
Dr. Christy Sefcik, Superintendent, Grant High School District #124

Board Members Absent

Mr. David Northern, Governing Board Member, Community Cons. District #46
Dr. Guy Schumacher, Superintendent, Libertyville District #70
Hon. Roycealee Wood, Superintendent, Lake County Regional Office of Education

Staff Members Present

Dr. Thomas Moline, Superintendent
Dr. Peggy Lynch, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Ms. Barbara Watson, Assistant Superintendent of Business, CSBO
Mrs. Laura Wojcik, Director of Instruction, Curriculum and Assessment
Ms. Doris Marcinkus, Recording Secretary

Staff Members Absent

None

Guests

Mrs. Valerie Donnan, Superintendent-Elect (7-1-18)

Pledge of Allegiance

President Osmond asked everyone to stand and join her in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Motion to Accept Agenda

Motion by Mrs. Carey McHugh, second by Dr. Christy Sefcik, to accept the agenda as presented.

VOICE VOTE: Ayes, all. Nays, none. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

FOIA Request

Administration reported that a request was received on March 26 from Attorney Laura Sinars for correspondence and documents (including emails and text messages) pertaining to communication between SEDOL staff and communication with parents of SEDOL students regarding the petition by Mundelein High School District #120 to withdraw from the SEDOL cooperative. SEDOL Attorney Steven Richart has notified Ms. Sinars that SEDOL is exercising its right to extend the time to respond to the FOIA request by five business days for the following reasons: (1) the request requires collection of a substantial number of specified records; (2) the records will require examination and evaluation by personnel having the necessary competence and discretion to determine whether or not they are exempt from disclosure or should be revealed with appropriate redactions; and (3) the District cannot comply with the request within the five business days allowed without unduly burdening or interfering with the District's operations.

TENTATIVE BUDGET

Board members received a draft of the FY19 tentative budget, along with an overview of the assumptions used to develop the budget. *(Mrs. Pahl arrived shortly after Ms. Watson began her presentation.)*

Ms. Watson reviewed each fund and highlighted a variety of situations that are impacting the tentative budget including the unknown status of the ALOP grant, which is approximately \$850,000 for SEDOL. She also explained the need to reset tuition rates and the plan to reduce the need for special needs paraprofessionals by realigning the staffing ratio in programs. A special meeting has been scheduled on April 27 to review these changes with member districts.

Ms. Watson said at this point, she is anticipating the need for a 3% increase in tuition rates, which would generate an additional \$760,000 in revenue; however, she did not want to make that final until the April 26 meeting when the Executive Board would recommend approval of the tentative budget to the Governing Board.

Nominating Committees

Dr. Moline explained the need to establish the Governing Board Nominating Committee to make recommendations regarding Governing Board President and Secretary and the Executive Board Nominating Committee to make recommendations regarding the appointment or reappointment of Executive Board members.

As these committees are appointed by the Governing Board President, Mrs. McHugh suggested the following Board members be asked to serve on the committees.

<u>Executive Board Nominating Committee</u>		<u>Governing Board Nominating Committee</u>	
Joanne Osmond	Odie Pahl*	Joanne Osmond	Karin Lundstedt
Carey McHugh	Roycealee Wood	Odie Pahl	

*It should be noted that subsequent to these appointments, Mrs. Carey was informed that it would not be appropriate for Mrs. Pahl to serve on this committee as she was up for reappointment to the Executive Board, and Dr. Guy Schumacher was asked to serve on this committee.

Mr. McKay explained that he would not be able to continue to serve on the Executive Board, as he would begin his term as President of the Tech Campus Board of Control effective July 1. Mr. McKay said everyone who sends students to SEDOL should sit on the Executive Board. He said he has a better understanding of the cooperative, and if you sit on this Board, your district wouldn't be asking to leave.

Adjournment

With no other business for consideration by the Board, President Osmond adjourned the meeting at 10:46 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Doris Marcinkus
Recording Secretary

Approved by:

President of the Board

Secretary of the Board