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Superintendent

Minutes

SEDOL GOVERNING BOARD

June 7, 2017

Call to Order

At 7:02 p.m., a quorum being present, Superintendent Tom Moline called the meeting of the SEDOL Governing Board to order on Wednesday, June 7, 2017, at Laremont School in Gages Lake, Illinois. The following Executive Board members were in attendance: Dr. John Ahlemeyer, Dr. Catherine Finger, Mrs. Carey McHugh, Mr. David Northern, Mrs. Joanne Osmond and Mrs. Odie Pahl.

Governing Board Members Present

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| Ms. Patti Gembariski, Dist. #3 | Mr. Matt Rehm, Dist. #75 |
| Ms. Maggie Wentzell, Dist. #24 | Ms. Lisa Yaffe, Dist. #76 |
| Ms. Gretchen Leighliter, Dist. #33 | Ms. Peg Larson, Dist. #116 |
| Mr. John Frendreis, Dist. #36 | Ms. Ellen Ipsen, Dist. #117 |
| Mr. Joe Loffredo, Dist. #37 | Ms. Carey McHugh, Dist. #118 |
| Ms. Joanne Osmond, Dist. #41 | Ms. Jane Siegal, Dist. #120 |
| Mr. David Northern, Dist. #46 | Mr. Jim Loris, Dist. #124 |
| Ms. Jennifer Haack, Dist. #50 | Mr. Russ Chamberlin, Dist. #127 |
| Ms. Odie Pahl, Dist. #56 | Ms. Karin Lundstedt, Dist. #128 |
| Ms. Linda Lucke, Dist. #70 | Ms. Dora King, Dist. #187 |
| Mr. Matt Jacobs, Dist. #73 | |

Governing Board Members Absent

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| Ms. Michelle Good, Dist. #1 | Ms. Kim Sturonas, Dist. #72 |
| Ms. Marge Taylor, Dist. #6 | Mr. Jeff Luckett, Dist. #79 |
| Ms. Mary Beth Hulting, Dist. #34 | Mr. Alan Rubenstein, Dist. #102 |
| Ms. Vivian Kueter, Dist. #38 | Mr. John Anderson, Dist. #121 |
| Ms. Cathie DeMoon, Dist. #68 | Ms. Kimberly Leech, Dist. #126 |

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Moline asked everyone to stand and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Moline noted that there were several new Governing Board members and asked them to introduce themselves.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Motion to Accept Agenda

Mr. Matt Rehm, District #75, moved the agenda be accepted as presented; seconded by Mr. Jim Loris, District #124.

VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Dr. Moline reported that the recommendation of the Governing Board Nominating Committee was that Mrs. Carey McHugh of Wauconda Unit District #118 be elected to serve a one-year term as President and Mr. Jim Loris of Grant High School District #124 be elected to serve a one-year term as Secretary.

Motion to Elect Officers

Mrs. Karin Lundstedt, District #128, moved approval of the Nominating Committee's recommendations as presented; seconded by Mr. Russ Chamberlin, District #127.

VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Approve Minutes

Mrs. Joanne Osmond, District #41, moved the minutes of March 8, 2017 be approved as presented; seconded by Mrs. Jane Siegal, District #120.

VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President McHugh asked if anyone from the public wished to address the Governing Board. There was no response.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Service to Executive Board: Dr. Moline presented a plaque to Dr. John Ahlemeyer, Superintendent of Gavin District #37, for his service to the Executive Board since July 2016. Dr. Ahlemeyer accepted a superintendent position in southern Illinois.

Dr. Moline also presented a plaque to Dr. Catherine Finger, Superintendent of Grayslake High School District #127, in recognition of her service to the Executive Board since July 2013. Dr. Finger was retiring at the end of the school year.

ANNUAL MEETING ACTIONS

Executive Board Member Appointments

The Executive Board Nominating Committee recommended the following Executive Board members be reappointed to serve another two-year term through June 2019:

- Mrs. Carey McHugh, Governing Board Member, Wauconda Unit District #118
- Mrs. Joanne Osmond, Governing Board Member, Lake Villa District #41
- Dr. Guy Schumacher, Superintendent, Libertyville District #70

The committee also recommended the Governing Board appoint Dr. Christy Sefcik, Superintendent of Grant High School District #124, to a two-year term to replace Dr. Catherine Finger and Dr. Lonny Lemon, Superintendent of Oak Grove District #68, be appointed to complete the one year remaining on Dr. Ahlemeyer's term.

Motion to Appoint Executive Board Members

Mr. Jim Loris, District #124, moved approval of the Executive Board Nominating Committee's recommendations as presented; seconded by Mrs. Karin Lundstedt, District #128.

VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

Delegation of Executive Board Authorities

President McHugh reported that the Governing Board needed to make the annual delegation of authorities to the Executive Board for FY18.

Motion to Delegate Authorities

Mrs. Linda Lucke, District #70, moved approval of the delegation of authorities as presented; seconded by Mr. Joe Loffredo, District #37.

VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment of Treasurer

Administration recommended that Ms. Barbara Watson, Assistant Superintendent of Business, CSBO, continue to serve as treasurer for the district.

Motion to Appoint Treasurer

Mrs. Karin Lundstedt, District #128, moved Ms. Barbara Watson be appointed to serve as district treasurer; seconded by Mrs. Linda Lucke, District #70.

VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

Establish Meeting Dates

President McHugh noted that the recommended meeting dates for the Governing Board were: August 30, 2017; November 29, 2017; March 7, 2018; and June 6, 2018.

Motion to Establish Meeting Dates

Mrs. Joanne Osmond, District #41, moved approval of the meeting schedule as recommended; seconded by Mrs. Jennifer Haack, District #50.

VOICE VOTE: MOTION CARRIED.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH SSSA

Mrs. Joanne Osmond, Executive Board President and Chair of the Board Negotiating Team, provided a brief overview of the tentative agreement reached with the SEDOL Support Staff Association on March 9 to incorporate the OT/PT and COTA/PTA staff. A written summary of the agreement was sent to Governing Board members prior to the meeting.

Motion to Approve Agreement with SSSA

Mr. Russ Chamberlin, District #127, moved approval of the tentative agreement with the SEDOL Support Staff Association as presented; seconded by Mrs. Linda Lucke, District #70.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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| Ayes: | Districts #3, #24, #33, #36, #37, #41, #46, #50, #56, #70, #73, #76, #116, #117, #118, #120, #124, #127, #128, #187 |
| Nayes: | District #75 |
| Absent: | Districts #1, #6, #34, #38, #68, #72, #79, #102, #121, #126 |

MOTION CARRIED.

PRESENTATION OF TENTATIVE BUDGET

Dr. Catherine Finger, Chair of the Executive Board Finance Committee, reported that the Executive Board had approved the tentative budget and recommended approval by the Governing Board. She said Ms. Watson did an amazing job, along with the rest of the Administrative Team, in developing the budget and presenting it to member districts.

Ms. Watson explained that work on the tentative budget typically begins in late January and by mid-April it is ready for presentation to the Executive Board and then the four small group meetings with member district administrators and Governing Board members. She noted that the first half of the budget document included general information about the district followed by an explanation of the data and budget assumptions used to develop the budget. The budget itself was at the end of the document.

Ms. Watson provided a brief overview of each of the fund accounts. In reviewing the Education Fund, she noted that the budget sheet shows actual budget data for two prior years and then projections for FY19 and FY20. Enrollment drives a majority of the staff costs. The budget reflects a 3% increase in tuition rates.

Ms. Watson said in the past SEDOL has not had the need to borrow; however, with state reimbursement being slow and uncertain, the Executive Board is recommending a line of credit be established now, so borrowing could be done in a timely manner should it become necessary. For SEDOL, establishing a line of credit involves a resolution from each member district.

Ms. Watson reviewed each of the remaining fund budget sheets and answered questions from Governing Board members.

The Executive Board recommended approval of the budget recommendations as follows:

1. The tentative budget be based on the accrual basis, which includes four ISBE personnel reimbursement payments and tuition revenues being calculated accordingly;
2. The IDEA-B flow thru revenue supporting SEDOL programs be apportioned at 43%;
3. Member district flow thru subgrants, apportioned at 57% of the total IDEA-B grant revenue, be reimbursed to member districts and tracked through the subgrant process;
4. For tentative budget purposes, total expenditures in the Education Fund for FY18 be set at \$58,300,000 and that those expenditures be offset by tuition, district contractual and grant revenue, leaving a fund balance of \$7,011,174;
5. Total expenditures in the Operations and Maintenance Fund be set at \$1,867,977; in the Transportation Fund at \$288,235; in the Debt Service Fund at \$166,559; in the IMRF Fund at \$1,366,159; and in the Capital Projects Fund at \$-0-; and,
6. The Board Treasurer be directed to post/publish notice of a budget hearing scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 30, 2017, in the gym at Laremont School.

Motion to Approve Tentative Budget

Mr. Russ Chamberlin, District #127, moved approval of the tentative budget recommendations as presented; seconded by Mr. Jim Loris, District #124.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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| Ayes: | Districts #3, #24, #33, #36, #37, #41, #46, #50, #56, #70, #75, #76, #116, #117, #118, #120, #124, #127, #128, #187 |
| Nays: | District #73 |
| Absent: | Districts #1, #6, #34, #38, #68, #72, #79, #102, #121, #126 |

MOTION CARRIED.

OPEN FORUM

August Agenda Items/Governing Board Member Comments

President McHugh encouraged Governing Board members to suggest agenda items for the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 30. She also invited Governing Board members to make any comments they would like to make.

ADJOURNMENT

President McHugh adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Doris Marcinkus
Recording Secretary

Approved by:

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