

## SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT OF LAKE COUNTY

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**Valerie M. Donnan, M.Ed.**  
*Superintendent*

### **Governing Board Meeting Summary Wednesday, March 3, 2021**

The Governing Board meeting was structured to allow public viewing and public comment via webinar. Registration was through the link provided and up to the start of the webinar. The public was able to register for public comment until 6:30 p.m.

#### **PLEDGE, AGENDA AND MINUTES**

Following the call to order, roll call and pledge by President McHugh, the Board accepted the agenda and approved the minutes.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment was afforded to the general public via a web-conference registration link. There were no Public Comments.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT**

The Executive Board recommended approval of the renewal contract between SEDOL and Superintendent Valerie Donnan. The contract was approved by the Governing Board.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR GOVERNING BOARD OFFICERS**

Information was presented regarding the need to appoint three Governing Board members to a nominating committee to develop recommendations for the offices of Governing Board President and Secretary. The committee should make its recommendations known to Governing Board members 30 days prior to the June meeting. Governing Board members interested in serving on the nominating committee were asked to call Recording Secretary Sara Martinez or Superintendent Val Donnan.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS**

Information was presented regarding the need to establish a nominating committee to recommend appointments to the Executive Board. The committee is composed of one Governing Board member, two Executive Board members and the Regional Superintendent of Schools. The committee should make its recommendations known to Governing Board members 30 days prior to the June meeting. Governing Board members interested in serving on the nominating committee were asked to call Recording Secretary Sara Martinez or Superintendent Val Donnan. Mrs. McHugh noted that there is still an open seat on the Executive Board that is needed to be filled by a Governing Board member.

#### **POST-ISSUANCE TAX COMPLIANCE REPORT FOR THE SERIES 2015-B BONDS**

Ms. Watson explained that the post-issuance tax compliance report is a report that must be made every year in order to remain in compliance with reporting requirements for the Series 2015 Bonds. She reported that everything is in order and there is nothing unusual to report.

#### **FILING FINANCIAL INFORMATION WITH EMMA FOR THE SERIES 2015-B**

Ms. Watson explained that the filing of financial information with the Electronic Municipal Marketing Access (EMMA) is a report that must be made every year in order to remain in compliance with reporting requirements for the Series 2015 Bonds.

#### **PROGRAM REPORTS**

Superintendent Donnan reported:

- On March 15<sup>th</sup> SEDOL hybrid programs will begin to attend five days a week.
- ISBE complaint has been determined that SEDOL is in compliance from November, 2019.

- Dr. Ross Greene, author of Lost at School, contacted Gages Lake School Principal, Meagan Dwyer to recognize the book studies being completed by her and the Gages Lake School staff.
- Member district high schools and a few Fairhaven transition students are going to Cyd Lash Academy(CLA) for their vocational experiences. This allows the students to leave the classroom setting and go to “work” to learn new skills.
- Project SEARCH offers a full day of work experience for high school students. These students work on campus as interns and are SEDOL employees this year. Traditionally, they are at Sedgebrook in Lincolnshire.
- Students at Laremont participated in the Great Kindness Challenge. One of the school-wide projects, led by teacher Andre Probst, involved the students making cards for children in the hospital. Appreciation was also given to medical staff at Condell.
- Two students from CLA were recognized for Leadership and Academic gains and chosen as CLA Students of the Year by the Grayslake Exchange Club.
- South School and a DHH student transitioned back to their home district. These students took on leadership roles within their buildings.
- The SEDOL Equity Team has learning and will begin to plan or continue to build equity throughout SEDOL.
- HumanEx Leadership Teams continue to meet focused on SEDOL’s climate and culture.

**OPEN FORUM**

Mrs. McHugh reported that the June 2, 2021 Governing Board will be in person.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no other items to discuss, the Board acted to adjourn the meeting.

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**2020-21 Executive Board Meeting Schedule** *SEDOL Office Bay Room*

- Thursday, March 18, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.
- Thursday, April 8, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.
- Thursday, April 22, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.
- Thursday, May 27, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.
- Thursday, June 24, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.
- Thursday, July 22, 2021 – 9:30 a.m.

*Special Meeting to Review Tentative Budget*

**2020-21 Governing Board Meeting Schedule**

- Wednesday, June 2, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.