

# SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT OF LAKE COUNTY

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**Important Reminder: Board Members, if you cannot attend,  
please send an alternate to the meeting.**

## SEDOL Governing Board Meeting

Date: Wednesday, June 4, 2025  
Time: 7:00 P.M.  
Place: Gages Lake School Community Room  
18180 W. Gages Lake Road  
Gages Lake, Illinois

## AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL (Dr. Hackett)  
Once a quorum is present, Dr. Hackett will call the meeting to order.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Dr. Hackett)
- III. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA — ***ACTION NEEDED*** (Dr. Hackett)  
**Motion to Accept/Amend Agenda — *VOICE VOTE***  
**Move the agenda be accepted/amended as presented/recommended.**
- IV. ELECTION OF GOVERNING BOARD OFFICERS — ***ACTION NEEDED*** (Dr. Hackett)  
The Governing Board Nominating Committee recommends Dr. Stephen Mack (Grayslake D46) be appointed to serve a one-year term as Governing Board President and Ms. Joanne Osmond (Lake Villa D41) be appointed to serve a one-year term as Governing Board Secretary.  
**Motion to Elect Officers — *VOICE VOTE***  
**Move approval of the Nominating Committee's recommendations as presented.**
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — ***ACTION NEEDED*** (Dr. Mack)  
Public session minutes from the March 5, 2025 meeting are included in the Board member electronic agenda packet.  
**Motion to Approve Minutes — *ROLL CALL VOTE***  
**Move approval of the minutes as presented**

VI. SPECIAL RECOGNITION (Dr. Hackett/Dr. Thomas)

A. Student Recognition

A student from Laremont School was selected by UCP Sequin Infinitec Assistive Technology Coalition Center and on April 24th received the 2025 Outstanding Student Technology Award.

B. SEDOL ROE Educator of the Year Recognition

On May 7<sup>th</sup>, the following SEDOL staff were recognized at the ROE Educator of the Year banquet: Elizabeth Alfaro, Dr. Matthew Barbini, Brian Sonders, Megan Swirsley, Jessica Trudeau, and Lisa Winston.

C. Building Bridges Award

SEDOL Administration will recognize an employee for this award.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT (Dr. Mack)

President Mack will recognize any visitors at the meeting. The Governing Board is always interested in hearing from anyone who has a concern or issue regarding SEDOL programs and services. In order to ensure that everyone is heard, and at the same time, conduct the meeting properly and efficiently, those wishing to address the Board are asked to observe the following guidelines.

1. Sign in at the meeting and complete the Public Comment Information Form.
2. Address the Board at the appropriate time as indicated on the agenda and when recognized by the Board President.
3. State your name for the record.
4. Comments should be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. The Board President may deny a person the opportunity to speak for more than 3 minutes. The President may also deny such opportunity to a person who has previously addressed the Board on the same subject.
5. Groups attending Board meetings are requested to appoint a spokesperson, if possible. The spokesperson should identify the group he/she represents and then briefly explain the concerns shared by the group. The Board President reserves the right to terminate a speaker's comments if they are repetitive or redundant.
6. Comments made during open session should not pertain to individual students or employees. Concerns regarding a specific student or employee should be presented in closed session.
7. The Board President or other presiding officer shall have the authority to terminate the remarks of any individual addressing the Board under public comment and to determine procedural matters regarding public comment not otherwise defined in Board policy.

VIII. ANNUAL MEETING ACTIONS

A. Executive Board Member Appointments — **ACTION NEEDED** (Dr. Mack)

The terms of four Executive Board members expire at the end of June and there is an open seat:

- Dr. Jason Lind, Superintendent, Millburn District 24
- Dr. Scott Schwartz, Superintendent, Gavin District 37
- Joanne Osmond, Governing Board Member, Lake Villa District 41
- Carey McHugh, Governing Board Member, Wauconda District 118
- Governing Board Member – Open Seat

Dr. Lind, Dr. Schwartz, Ms. Osmond, and Ms. McHugh would like to serve another two-year term, and the Executive Board Nominating Committee recommends they be reappointed. They would serve a two-year term expiring at the end of June 2027.

**Motion to Appoint Executive Board Members — VOICE VOTE**

**Move approval of the Nominating Committee's recommendations as presented.**

B. Delegation of Executive Board Authorities — **ACTION NEEDED** (Dr. Mack)

The Governing Board will be asked to delegate Executive Board authorities for FY26. The authorities are delineated in Governing Board Policy 2:38, which is included in the electronic agenda packet.

**Motion to Approve Delegation of Authorities — VOICE VOTE**

**Move approval of the delegation of authorities as presented.**

C. Appointment of Treasurer 2025-26 — **ACTION NEEDED** (Dr. Mack)

It is recommended that Dr. Tim Thomas, Co-Interim Superintendent, serve as treasurer for the district.

**Motion to Appoint Treasurer — VOICE VOTE**

**Move Dr. Tim Thomas serve as treasurer for the 2025-26 school year.**

D. Establish Meeting Dates — **ACTION NEEDED** (Dr. Mack)

The Governing Board will be asked to establish meeting dates for the 2025-26 school year. Suggested meeting dates are:

Wednesday, August 6, 2025	Wednesday, March 4, 2026
Wednesday, December 3, 2025	Wednesday, June 3, 2026

**Motion to Establish Meeting Dates — VOICE VOTE**

**Move approval of the meeting schedule as recommended.**

IX. SEDOL CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CIP) – **INFORMATIONAL** (Dr. Hackett/Dr. Thomas)

Administration will provide the Board with a progress report and presentation on the SEDOL Continuous Improvement Plan.

X. EXTENDED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH STU — **ACTION NEEDED**

(Dr. Wojcik/Ms. Osmond)

Dr. Wojcik and Ms. Osmond of the SEDOL Board Negotiations Team will provide a brief overview of the proposed extended bargaining agreement for the 2025-2026 school year reached with the SEDOL Teachers' Union (STU).

**Motion to Approve — ROLL CALL VOTE**

**Move to approve the proposed extended bargaining agreement for the 2025-2026 school year with the SEDOL Teachers' Union and the SEDOL Board as presented.**

XI. FINANCE UPDATE AND PRESENTATION OF TENTATIVE BUDGET — **ACTION NEEDED**

(Dr. Johns/Ms. Allard)

Dr. Johns and Ms. Allard will present the tentative budget for the 2025-26 school year. At its April meeting, the Executive Board unanimously recommended the Governing Board approve the tentative budget with recommendations as follows:

1. The tentative budget be based on the accrual basis, which includes Evidence-Based Funding and tuition revenues being calculated accordingly;
2. For tentative budget purposes, total expenditures in the Education Fund for FY26 be set at \$53,719,723 and that those expenditures be offset by tuition, district contractual and grant revenue, leaving a fund balance of \$8,957,473;
3. Total expenditures in the Operations and Maintenance Fund be set at \$3,718,226; in the Debt Services Fund at \$174,175; in the Transportation Fund at \$861,536, in the IMRF Fund at \$991,900, and Capital Projects at \$3,200,000.
4. The Board Treasurer is directed to post/publish notice of a budget hearing scheduled for 6:50 p.m. on Wednesday, August 6, 2025 in the Community Room at Gages Lake School.

**Motion to Approve Tentative Budget — ROLL CALL VOTE**

**Move approval of the tentative FY26 budget recommendations as presented.**

XII. **OPEN FORUM** — ***INFORMATIONAL*** (Dr. Mack)

Governing Board members are encouraged to suggest agenda items for the next regular meeting. Governing Board members are invited to make whatever comments they feel appropriate.

XIII. **ADJOURN** – (Dr. Mack)

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Enclosures

**2024-25 Executive Board Meeting Schedule** *SEDOL Office Bay Room.*

Thursday, June 26, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, July 24, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

**2024-25 Governing Board Meeting Schedule** *Gages Lake School Community Room*

Wednesday, June 4, 2025 – 7:00 p.m.

**2025-26 Proposed Governing Board Meeting Schedule** *Gages Lake School Community Room*

Wednesday, August 6, 2025 – 7:00 p.m. *6:50 p.m. Public Hearing on the FY26 Budget*

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 3, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.