Southeastern Community Unit School District # 337

Minutes of Regular Meeting

October 25, 2021 6:30 p.m.

The following minutes are tentative and will not become official minutes of the Board of Education until their scheduled approval at the next regular meeting.

Call to Order and Roll Call

The Southeastern Community Unit District #337 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, October 25, 2021 in the Board of Education Office (Room #126) in Augusta, Illinois. John Eilers, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call verified that there was a quorum of the Board of Education with the following members present and absent as listed below:

Board of Education	Title	Present	Absent
John Eilers	President	X	
Mark Hitz	Member	X	
Grant Holst	Member	X	
Sarah Kearby	Member	X	
Bobbi Smith	Secretary		X
Greg Tippey	Vice President		X
Mark Winters	Member	X	

Administration	Title	Present	Absent
Todd Fox	Superintendent	X	
Tecia Lantz	Elementary Principal	X	
Cyle Rigg	District AD/Transp. Director		X.
Tim Kerr	Jr. High Principal		X
Kimberly Harrison	Sr. High Principal		X

Staff	Title	Present	Absent
Lisa Knorr	Recording Secretary	X	
Others Present	Title	Address the Board	Topic
Four Guests	N/A	Yes	N/A

Approval of Agenda Items

On a motion by Member Winters and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education approved the agenda items as amended.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Eilers, Hitz, Holst, Kearby, Winters

Nay: None

Absent: Smith, Tippey

Motion Carried

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Member Hitz and a second by Member Winters, the Board of Education approved the minutes from the September 27, 2021 regular meeting and closed session.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Hitz, Holst, Kearby, Winters, Eilers

Nay: None

Absent: Smith, Tippey

Motion Carried

Public Participation

Three guests addressed the board regarding open meetings and the ESSER funds expenditures.

Special Recognition

Superintendent Fox named the Board Excellence accomplishments including October Sun of the Month, Junior High Baseball All-State Team, Jr High Softball All-State Team, ILMEA District 4 Chorus, IHSA Regional Golf Tournament 5th Overall-Advancing to Sectional, National FFA Agri Science Fair Top 3 National Finalist, Waverly Tournament All-Tournament Team, Quincy Area Youth Orchestra, High School Volleyball Waverly Tournament Champions and Monmouth United Tournament Champions, and West Prairie Southeastern Football advanced to the I8F Playoffs.

Financial

Superintendent Fox reviewed the monthly financial snapshot which shows we are 25% into the fiscal year. We have received 59% of our budgeted revenue and have spent 24% of our budgeted expenditures.

On a motion by Member Winters and a second by Member Kearby, the Board of Education approved the bills, financial statements, and activity funds.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Holst, Kearby, Winters, Eilers, Hitz

Nay: None

Absent: Smith, Tippey

Motion Carried

Informational Items

Superintendent Fox gave ESSER Update.

Superintendent Fox presented the Administrator and Teacher Salary and Benefits Report which is posted on the district website.

Administrative reports were given with Mrs. Lantz reporting on Donors Choose for several elementary teachers getting items funded for their classrooms, there was a great turnout for Parent Teacher conferences, students are enjoying dress-up days this week, the Halloween parade will be on Friday, the Gobble Wobble will be held to help with the family Christmas projects. Special activities are being planned for the week before Christmas. Superintendent Fox acknowledged Principal Appreciation Week and thanked our principals for the great job they do. He also acknowledged Shanna Drake's food science class as several students completed their food handler certificate. He mentioned the school picnic that was started in 2002 and how that has become a tradition. Senior Hailie Hardy is a student aid for Kindergarten and he acknowledged how well she is doing. The West Prairie Southeastern football team won last weekend; and this football co-op has been a great opportunity for our students.

On a motion by Member Winters and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education moved into closed session at 7:24 p.m. for the purpose of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity; collective negotiating matters between the school board and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the school board, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired; the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students; and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the school board has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the school board finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Kearby, Winters, Eilers, Hitz, Holst

Nay: None

Absent: Smith, Tippey

Motion Carried

The Board of Education returned to Open Session at 8:09 p.m.

Action Items

On a motion by Member Winters and a second by Member Kearby, the Board of Education approved the early graduation of class of 2022 seniors Joseph Weese and Judd Daniels contingent upon meeting all graduation requirements by December 31, 2021.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Winters, Eilers, Hitz, Holst, Kearby

Nay: None

Absent: Smith, Tippey

Motion Carried

Adjournment

On a motion by Member Winters and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Voice Vote Motion Carried

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President, Board of Education
X
Secretary, Board of Education