

Southeastern Community Unit School District # 337

Minutes of Regular Meeting

November 15, 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, November 15, 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
No Guests	N/A	N/A	N/A

Approval of Agenda Items

On a motion by Member Winters and a second by Member Tippey, the Board of Education **approved the agenda items as presented.**

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Eilers, Hitz, Holst, Smith, Tippey, Winters

Nay: None

Absent: Kearby

Motion Carried

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Winters, the Board of Education approved the minutes from the October 25, 2021 regular board meeting and closed session and November 3, 2021 special board meeting.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Hitz, Holst, Smith, Tippey, Winters, Eilers

Nay: None

Absent: Kearby

Motion Carried

Public Participation

None

Special Recognition

Superintendent Fox named the Board Excellence accomplishments including November Sun of the Month, West Central Conference Volleyball First Team, West Central Conference Volleyball Honorable Mention, High School Volleyball IHSA Class 1A Regional Champions, IHSA Class 1A Sectional Champions, IHSA Class 1A Super-Sectional Champions and IHSA Class 1A Runner-Up. Superintendent Fox congratulated Coach Tim Kerr and the volleyball team, along with our students for having such a great trip to state. Superintendent Fox also thanked our Veterans and added that we held a modified version of the annual Veterans Day program which received many compliments. He also wanted to thank the people who do so much behind the scenes. He also recognized our school board members for their outstanding efforts on School Board Members Day.

Financial

Superintendent Fox reviewed the monthly financial snapshot which shows we are 33% into the fiscal year. We have received 66% of our budgeted revenue and have spent 31% of our budgeted expenditures.

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

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Holst, Smith, Tippey, Winters, Eilers, Hitz

Nay: None

Absent: Kearby

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education approved the 2021 tax levy request in the amount of \$3,324,132.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Smith, Tippey, Winters, Eilers, Hitz, Holst

Nay: None

Absent: Kearby

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Winters and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education approved to schedule the Truth in Taxation Hearing for Monday, December 13, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Smith, Tippey, Winters, Eilers, Hitz, Holst

Nay: None

Absent: Kearby

Motion Carried

Informational Items

Superintendent Fox gave **update on Board Policy with the 1st Reading of:** 2:20 Powers and Duties of the School Board; Indemnification, 2:105 Ethics and Gift Ban, 2:110 Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers, 2:120 Board Member Development, 2:150 Committees, 2:150 Superintendent Committees, 2:220 School Board Meeting Procedure, 2:250 Immediately Available District Public Records and Web-Posted Reports and Records, 2:260 Uniform Grievance Procedure, 3:40 Superintendent, 3:50 Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent, 3:60 Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal, 4:60 Purchases and Contracts, 4:80 Accounting and Audits, 4:110 Transportation, 4:120 Food Services, 4:150 Facility Management and Building Programs, 4:160 Environmental Quality of Buildings and Grounds, 4:165 Awareness and Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse and Grooming Behaviors, 4:170 Safety, 4:175 Convicted Child Sex Offender; Screening Notifications, 5:10 Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment, 5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited, 5:30 Hiring Process and Criteria, 5:50 Drug- and Alcohol-Free Workplace; E-Cigarette, Tobacco, and Cannabis Prohibition, 5:90 Abused and Neglected Child Reporting, 5:100 Staff Development Program, 5:120 Employee Ethics; Conduct; and Conflict of Interest, 5:125 Personal Technology and Social Media; Usage and Conduct, 5:150 Personnel Records, 5:185 Family and Medical Leave, 5:200 Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal, 5:210 Resignations, 5:220 Substitute Teachers, 5:250 Leaves of Absence, 5:260 Student Teachers, 5:330 Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves, 6:15 School Accountability, 6:20 School Year Calendar and Day, 6:50 School Wellness, 6:60 Curriculum Content, 6:100 Dissection of Animals, 6:120 Educator of Children with Disabilities, 6:130 Program for the Gifted, 6:135 Accelerated Placement Program, 6:180 Extended Instructional Programs, 6:220 Bring Your Own Technology (BYOT) Program; Responsible Use and Conduct, 6:300 Graduation Requirements, 6:310 High School Credit for Non-District Experiences; Course Substitutions; Re-Entering Students, 6:320 High School Credit for Proficiency, 6:340 Student Testing and Assessment Program, 7:10 Equal Educational Opportunities, 7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited, 7:30 Student Assignment and Intra-District Transfer, 7:50 School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools, 7:60 Residence, 7:70 Attendance and Truancy, 7:80 Release Time for Religious Instruction/Observance, 7:150 Agency and Police Interviews, 7:160 Student Appearance, 7:165 School Uniforms, 7:180 Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment, 7:190 Student Behavior, 7:200 Suspension Procedures, 7:210 Expulsion Procedures, 7:240 Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities, 7:250 Student Support Services, 7:260 Exemption from Physical Education, 7:280 Reporting and Exclusion Requirements for Common Communicable Diseases, 7:290 Suicide and Depression Awareness and Prevention, 7:310 Restrictions on Publications; Elementary Schools, 7:315 Restrictions on Publications; High School, 7:340 Student Records, 7:345 Use of Educational Technologies; Student Data Privacy and Security, 8:70 Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities, 8:95 Parental Involvement, 8:100 Relations with Other Organizations and Agencies.

Superintendent Fox discussed the **annual RIF Joint Committee meeting**.

Superintendent Fox presented the **updated school calendar** due to no school on November 12, 2021.

Superintendent Fox discussed the **Property Tax Relief Grant (PTRG)** Program.

Superintendent Fox presented the **2021 School Report Card**.

Superintendent Fox gave update on the **County Facility Sales Tax** based on enrolled students in McDonough and Schuyler counties.

No Administrative reports were given.

Action Items

On a motion by Member Winters and a second by Member Smith, the Board of Education approved the implementation of the Test to Stay Program that will allow the school district (with parent permission) to COVID test close contacts in an attempt to keep students in school as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Tippey, Winters, Eilers, Hitz, Holst, Smith

Nay: None

Absent: Kearby

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Smith, the Board of Education approved the employment of Steve Winters in the position of 5/6 boys' basketball assistant coach for the 2021-2022 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Eilers, Hitz, Holst, Smith, Tippey

Nay: None

Absent: Kearby

Abstain: Winters

Motion Carried

Adjournment

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Smith, the Board of Education voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Voice Vote

Motion Carried

X

President, Board of Education

X

Secretary, Board of Education