

Southeastern Community Unit School District # 337

Minutes of Regular Meeting

November 15, 2023

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 Wednesday, November 15, 2023 in the Board of Education Office in Augusta, Illinois. Mark Hitz, 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
Eric Bunnell	Member	X	
Jordan Henry	Member	X	
Mark Hitz	President	X	
Grant Holst	Member	X	
Jeremy Stephens	Member	X	
Julie Stevens	Secretary	X	
Greg Tippey	Vice President	X	
Administration	Title	Present	Absent
Tecia Lantz	Superintendent	X	
Brandon Gooding	Elementary Principal		X
Tim Kerr	Jr. High Principal	X	
Kimberly Harrison	Sr. High Principal	X	
Cyle Rigg	District AD/Transp. Director	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

Agenda Items

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

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Bunnell, Henry, Hitz, Holst, Stephens, Stevens, Tippey

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Member Stephens and a second by Member Stevens, the Board of Education approved the minutes from the October 25, 2023 regular meeting.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Henry, Hitz, Holst, Stephens, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

Special Recognition

Kimberly Harrison presented the Board Excellence Awards which included November Sun of the Month, FFA National Agriscience Fair 8th in Nation, FFA National Agriscience Fair 7th in Nation, FFA National Agriscience Fair 5th in Nation, West Central Conference Volleyball 1st Team, ILMEA District IV Honors Chorus, 2023 I8FA All State Football Team, KHQA Athlete of the Week, Illinois Volleyball Coaches Association Class 1A First Team All-State, Illinois Volleyball Coaches Association Class 1A Second Team All-State, IHSA 1A Regional Champions.

Financial

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

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Hitz, Holst, Stephens, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell, Henry

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Bunnell, the Board of Education approved the 2023 tax levy request.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Holst, Stephens, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell, Henry, Hitz

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Stephens and a second by Member Stevens, the Board of Education approved the scheduling of the Truth in Taxation Hearing on Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Stephens, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell, Henry, Hitz, Holst

Absent: None

Motion Carried

Informational Items

Superintendent Lantz presented the 2023 Summative Designation with each building receiving Commendable.

Superintendent Lantz presented the **Teacher Vacancy Grant**.

Superintendent Lantz gave **Board Policy Update with the (1st reading)** of: 2:20 Powers and Duties of the School Board, Indemnification, 2:110 Qualifications, Terms, and Duties of Board Officers, 2:120 Board Member Development, 2:150-AP Superintendent Committees, 2:200 Types of School Board Meetings, 2:220 School Board Meeting Procedure, 2:220-E2 Motion to Adjourn to closed Meeting, 2:220-E6 Log of Closed Meeting Minutes, 3:50 Administrative Personnel Other than the Superintendent, 4:10 Fiscal and Business Management, 4:30 Revenue and Investments, 4:60 Purchases and Contracts, 4:60-AP1 Purchases, 4:80-AP2 Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Awareness Program, 4:90 Student Activity and Fiduciary Funds, 4:130 Free and Reduced-Price Food Services, 4:130-E Free and Reduced-Price Good Servies; Meal Charge Notifications, 4:160 Environmental Quality of Buildings and Grounds, 4:160-AP Environmental Quality of Buildings and Grounds, 4:170 Safety, 4:170-AP1 Comprehensive Safety and Security Plan, 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, 5:90-AP1 Coordination with Children's Advocacy Center, 5:120 Employee Ethics; Code of Professional Conduct; and Conflict of Interest, 5:120-AP2 Employee Conduct Standards, 5:150 Personnel Records, 5:150-AP Personnel Records, 5:190 Teacher Qualifications, 5:200 Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal, 5:210 Resignations, 5:220 Substitute Teachers, 5:220-AP Substitute Teachers, 5:250 Leaves of Absence, 5:285-AP Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus and Commercial Vehicle Drivers, 5:330 Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves, 6:15 School Accountability, 6:20 School Year Calendar and Day, 6:30 Organization of Instruction, 6:50 School Wellness, 6:60 Curriculum Content, 6:60-AP1 Comprehensive Health Education Program, 6:65 Student Social and Emotional Development, 6:230 Library Media Program, 6:230-AP Responding to Complaints about Library Media Resources, 6:270 Guidance and Counseling Program, 6:280 Grading and Promotion, 7:50 School Admission and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools, 7:60 Residence, 7:70 Amendments and Truancy, 7:160 Student Appearance, 7:165 School Uniforms, 7:190 Student Behavior, 7:190-AP9 Administrative Transfer to Regional Safe School Programs, 7:250 Student Support Services, 7:270 Administering Medicines to Students, 7:270-AP2 Checklist for District Supply of Undesignated Medications, 7:285 Anaphylaxis Prevention, Response, and Management Program, 7:285-AP Anaphylaxis Prevention, Response, and Management Program, 7:290 Suicide, and Depression Awareness and Prevention, 7:290-AP Resource guide for Implementation of Suicide and Depression Awareness and Prevention Program, 7:345 Use of Educational Technologies; Student Data Privacy and Security, 7:345-AP Use of Educational Technologies; Student Data Privacy and Security, 8:30 Visitors to and Conduct on School Property.

Superintendent Lantz went over the numbers in Hancock and McDonough counties for the **County Facilities Sales Tax**.

Superintendent Lantz discussed the possibility of an **E Sports** team.

Superintendent Lantz presented the proposal from **Safe Haven Glass Film**.

Mr. Rigg presented a proposal to upgrade the vehicle fleet.

No Administrative reports were given.

Action Items

On a motion by Member Stevens and a second by Member Tippey, the Board of Education approved the tenure contract to the following certified teaching staff for the 2023-2024 school year: Kaley Havel.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell, Henry, Hitz, Holst, Stephens

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

Adjournment

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Stephens, the Board of Education voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Voice Vote

Motion Carried

X

President, Board of Education

X

Secretary, Board of Education