

Southeastern Community Unit School District # 337

Minutes of Regular Meeting

December 19, 2022

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, December 19, 2022 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	Asst. Superintendent	X	
Brandon Gooding	Elementary Principal		X
Tim Kerr	Jr. High Principal	X	Left at 7:38 p.m., return at 7:40 p.m., left at 8:17 p.m.
Kimberly Harrison	Sr. High Principal	X	Left at 7:38 p.m., return at 7:40 p.m.
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

Approval of Agenda Items

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Winters, the Board of Education opened the public hearing on the 2022 Truth in Taxation Hearing at 6:31 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Hitz and a second by Member Kearby, the Board of Education closed the public hearing on the 2022 Truth in Taxation Hearing at 6:44 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Winters and a second by Member Tippey, the Board of Education approved the Southeastern CUSD #337 2022 Tax Levy request as presented in the amount of \$3,784,300.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Member Hitz and a second by Member Tippey, the Board of Education approved the minutes from the November 14, 2022 regular meeting as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

Public Participation

None

Special Recognition

Superintendent Fox named the Board Excellence accomplishments including December Sun of the Month, Illinois State Scholar, Beardstown Basketball Tournament All-Tournament Team, Illinois Volleyball Prep All-State Special Mention Team, Champaign News Gazette Volleyball All-State Honorable Mention, Champaign News Gazette Volleyball All-State 1st Team, Illinois Volleyball Prep All-State 3rd Team, Southeastern Basketball All-Time Leading Scorer, Beardstown Basketball Tournament All-Tournament Team, Area Distributors Player of the Week, Pike County Tournament Consolation Champions, Beardstown Tournament Champions.

Financial

Superintendent Fox presented the monthly financial snapshot showing we are 42% into the fiscal year. We have received 62% of our budgeted revenue and have spent 47% of budgeted expenditures.

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

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; 2:30 School District Elections; 2:50 Board Member Term of Office; 2:100 Board Member Conflict of Interest; 2:105 Ethics and Gift Ban; 2:210 Organizational School Board Meeting; 2:250 Access to District Public Records; 2:265 Title IX Sexual Harassment Grievance Procedure; 3:10 Goals and Objectives; 3:50 Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent; 3:60 Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal; 4:10 Fiscal and Business Management; 4:120 Food Services; 4:140 Waiver of Student Fees; 4:165 Awareness and Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse and Grooming Behaviors; 4:190 Targeted School Violence Prevention Program; 5:10 Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment; 5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited; 5:120 Employee Ethics, Code of Professional Conduct, and Conflict of Interest; 5:190 Teacher Qualifications; 5:200 Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal; 5:220 Substitute Teachers; 5:250 Leaves of Absence; 5:270 Employment At-Will, Compensation, and Assignment; 5:280 Duties and Qualifications; 5:290 Employment Termination and Suspensions; 5:320 Evaluation; 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; 6:65 Student Social and Emotional Development; 6:160 English Learners; 6:220 Bring Your Own Technology (BYOT) Program, Responsible Use and Conduct; 6:250 Community Resource Persons and Volunteers; 6:255 Assemblies and Ceremonies; 6:260 Complaints About Curriculum, Instructional Materials, and Programs; 6:270 Guidance and Counseling Program; 6:280 Grading and Promotion; 6:300 Graduation Requirements; 6:310 High School Credit for Non-District Experiences; Course Substitutions, Re-Entering Students; 6:340 Student Testing and Assessment Program; 7:10 Equal Educational Opportunities; 7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited; 7:50 School Admissions and Student Transfers to and from Non-District Schools; 7:70 Attendance and Truancy; 7:100 Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations, Immunizations, and Exclusion of Students; 7:180 Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment; 7:190 Student Behavior; 7:250 Student Support Services; 7:285 Anaphylaxis Prevention, Response, and Management Program; 7:290 Suicide and Depression Awareness and Prevention; 7:340 Student Records.

Superintendent Fox reviewed the comparisons of technology support.

Superintendent Fox discussed our current internet provider.

Superintendent Fox reviewed the figures for the County Schools Facility Sales Tax revenue from McDonough and Schuyler counties.

Superintendent Fox gave update on school safety.

Superintendent Fox went over the budget figures for the food service department.

Administrative reports were given with Mr. Rigg reporting on possible softball coop.

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by member Winters, the Board of Education moved into closed session at 7:38 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; and student disciplinary cases.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

The board returned to Open Session at 8:24 p.m.

Action Items

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Winters, the Board of Education approved the scheduling of the reorganizational meeting for Monday, May 8, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Smith and a second by Member Tippey, the Board of Education approved the employment of Jeffery Fecht in the position of bus driver effective immediately.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Hitz and a second by Member Winters, the Board of Education approved the employment of Sheri Renner in the position of bus driver effective immediately.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education approved the employment of Kellie Kerker in the position of paraprofessional effective January 3, 2023.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Smith and a second by Member Kearby, the Board of Education approved the employment of Michelle Ringenberger in the position of paraprofessional effective January 3, 2023.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Abstain: Winters

Absent: None
Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Smith and a second by Member Tippey, the Board of Education **approved the employment of Kathleen Wortman** in the position of paraprofessional effective January 3, 2023.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Smith and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education **approved the employment of Kevin Winters** in the position of 5/6 boys' basketball coach effective immediately.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Abstain: Winters

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Winters and a second by Member Kearby, the Board of Education **approved the employment of Autumn Schullian** in the position of 5/6 girls' volleyball coach effective immediately.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Winters, the Board of Education **approved the employment of Kara Twaddell** in the position of 5/6 girls' volleyball coach effective immediately.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

Adjournment

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Winters, the Board of Education **voted to adjourn** the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

Voice Vote

Motion Carried

X

President, Board of Education

X

Secretary, Board of Education