

SPEED S.E.J.A. #802

OPERATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting
SPEED Operating Committee
SPEED Building
9:00 a.m.

August 23, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

At 9:10 a.m. Mr. Bean called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

On roll call the following answered present: Dr. Mitchell, 153; Dr. Smith, 161; Ms. Duskey, 162; Mr. Engel, 167; Dr. Leak, 168; Mr. Amadio, 170; and Mr. Bean.

Dr. Jackson, 169, arrived after the roll call.

Ms. Duskey, 162, was present for Dr. Davis; Mr. Engel, 167 was present for Dr. Moore

Absent: Dr. Patterson, 144; Dr. Carmine, 163; Mr. Smyth, 172; Dr. Hahto, 194; Dr. Cunningham, 201U; Dr. Navarre, 206; Dr. Thomas, 227 and Dr. Mansfield, 233

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Margie Lenoir, Interim Executive Director and Al Travaglini, Interim Executive Director, were present as well as the following SPEED staff; Kevin Slattery, Director of Business/Finance; Kristin Elliot, Director of District Services; Sharon Curry, Director of Human Resources; Linda Wilson, Independence Program Principal, Jessica Chen, ELC Program Principal; April Brown, PAL Program Principal; Joe Kekelik, Building and Grounds Supervisor; Kellie Clark, ELC Assistant Principal; Tim Jonke, Director of Technology; Janet DeBruin, Program Supervisor and Dr. Roberts, ALL Interim Principal

Also present was Mr. Ray Hauser, Attorney from Hauser Izzo.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Ms. Lenoir

Ms. Lenoir spoke about opening day. We had all staff back on August 17 for a breakfast and to hear from a guest speaker, Ms. Elizabeth Hennings. Ms. Henning's theme was "Creating a Climate of Joy for All." Ms. Hennings was informative and interactive with the audience. We

received positive feedback from staff for the day. Earlier in the week we also conducted bus training, substitute training and new staff training.

Ms. Lenoir and Mr. Travaglini have divided the Executive Director duties to more efficiently serve the District. Ms. Lenoir will be working with the Principals to develop each leader collectively and individually. A theme that they will be working on throughout the year is “Equipping our Leaders to Lead Others.”

We are still working to fill staffing positions for the school year. Most of our instructional teachers have been hired. We are still in need of Social Workers, Speech Teachers, and Vision Teachers, among others.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Mr. Travaglini

While Ms. Lenoir works with the Principals, Mr. Travaglini will be working closely the District Administrators throughout the year. Mr. Travaglini explained that there will be daily communication between him and Ms. Lenoir to ensure proper support for the District.

Medicare Fee for Service checks went out at the beginning of the month to the districts. New this year on prescriptions for OT, PT, Speech, etc. must contain a doctor’s code.

All the grants that SPEED monitors have all been written and sent up to ISBE. The majority of the grants have been approved. We are still waiting for a couple of districts to make MOE. Money can be spent but we cannot submit for reimbursement yet.

Buildings & Grounds did a great job preparing the buildings and parking lots for the opening of school this year.

The Executive Directors have met many times with the principals to ensure budget numbers are adequate for staffing needs.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The FY17 budget ended June 30, 2017 with a fund balance of 5.3M. SPEED expended \$25.3M and realized \$25.4M. There were higher amounts of revenue than anticipated due to FY16 funds that were received in FY17. SPEED collected \$120,000 in miscellaneous revenue for a Workers Compensation Insurance rebate from 2013.

There was approximately \$1.5M in unexpected expenditures. Half of the unexpected expenditures were covered by grants. Benefit costs were under-budgeted in FY17. Adjustments have been made to the FY18 budget to account for the increased cost of benefits.

In FY18 SPEED has budgeted an additional \$150,000 more for legal fees due to the fact that contract negotiations will soon begin.

Mr. Slattery presented a comparison of actual FY17 expenses vs. proposed FY18 budgeted expenses. The total budget is between \$25M – \$26M. A lot of those expenses are offset by the grants.

SPEED's goal is to end FY18 with a \$5.3M fund balance. SPEED's fund balance is very strong compared to other co-ops.

CLOSED SESSION

At 9:52 Dr. Jackson moved, seconded by Dr. Mitchell that the Operating Committee goes into Closed Session to discuss the employment, compensation, and/or performance of a specific employee of SPEED and to discuss pending, probable, and/or imminent litigation, and/or matters regarding students.

OPEN SESSION

At 10:14 AM, Dr. Jackson moved, seconded by Dr. Leak that the Operating Committee returns to Open Session.

Motion carried by voice vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Leak moved, seconded by Dr. Jackson that the Operating Committee approves the Consent Agenda items A through I as presented.

- A. Personnel Report
- B. Approval of Minutes of June 15, 2017
- C. Approval of Closed Session Minutes of June 15, 2017
- D. Approval of Recurring and Non-Recurring Bills from July, 2017 and August, 2017

On a roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Mitchell, 153; Dr. Smith, 161; Ms. Duskey, 162; Mr. Engel, 167; Dr. Leak, 168; Dr. Jackson, 169; Mr. Amadio, 170 and Mr. Bean.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Leak moved, seconded by Mr. Smyth that the Operating Committee approves item A. as presented

- A. Approval of IASB policy revisions.

On a roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Mitchell, 153; Dr. Smith, 161; Ms. Duskey, 162; Mr. Engel, 167; Dr. Leak, 168; Dr. Jackson, 169; Mr. Amadio, 170 and Mr. Bean.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS - CONTINUED

Dr. Jackson moved, seconded by Dr. Mitchell that the Operating Committee approves item B. as presented

B. Approval of FY18 Illinois State Budget.

On a roll call vote:

Ayes: Dr. Mitchell, 153; Dr. Smith, 161; Ms. Duskey, 162; Mr. Engel, 167; Dr. Leak, 168; Dr. Jackson, 169; Mr. Amadio, 170 and Mr. Bean.

Nays: None

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bean adjourned the meeting at 10:23 AM.

Dr. Gregory Jackson, Secretary
Lori Koditek, Recording Secretary

Date: _____

Mr. Ron Bean, President
SPEED Operating Committee