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SEDOL GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES

December 7, 2022

Call to Order

At 7:00 p.m., a quorum being present, President McHugh called the meeting of the SEDOL Governing Board to order on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at Gages Lake School in Gages Lake, Illinois. The following Executive Board members were in attendance: Dr. Jason Lind, Ms. Carey McHugh, Ms. Joanne Osmond, Ms. Odie Pahl, and Dr. Michael Karner.

ROLL CALL

Governing Board Members Present

Ms. Laurel Wilson, D1	Mr. Jon Hauptman, D76
Ms. Marsha White (alt), D3	Mr. Shawn Killackey, D79
Ms. Vanessa Boss, D24 (arrived at 7:05)	Ms. Melissa Rose, D102 (arrived at 7:08)
Mr. Ben Yee (alt), D33	Ms. Peg Larson, D116
Ms. Joanne Osmond, D41	Ms. Ellen Ipsen, D117
Dr. Stephen Mack, D46	Ms. Carey McHugh, D118
Ms. Anna Chang-Yen, D50	Mr. Tony DeMonte, D121
Ms. Odie Pahl, D56	Ms. Kathy Kusiak, D124
Ms. Emily Savino, D68	Mr. Jonathan Reinoso, D127 (arrived at 7:06)
Dr. Amie Krummick, D70 (arrived at 7:06)	Ms. Cara Benjamin, D128 (arrived at 7:06)
Mr. Michael Engle, D73	Ms. Dora King, D187
Mr. Eric Billittier, D75	

Governing Board Members Absent

Ms. Denise Lear, Dist. D6	Ms. Vivian Kueter, D38
Ms. Angie Baronello, D34	Ms. Rita Benavides, D72
Ms. Denise Quezada, D36	Ms. Linda Vecchie, D120
Ms. Erika Cappert, D37	Ms. Patricia Stephen, D126

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. McHugh asked everyone to stand and join her in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Motion to Accept Agenda

Ms. Joanne Osmond, D41, moved the agenda be accepted as presented; seconded by Ms. Emily Savino, D68.

<u>VOICE VOTE:</u>	Ayes:	Districts 1, 3, 33, 41, 46, 50, 56, 68, 73, 75, 76, 79, 116, 117, 118, 121, 124, 187
	Nays:	
	Absent:	Districts 6, 24, 34, 36, 37, 38, 70, 72, 102, 120, 126, 127, 128

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Approve Minutes

Ms. Ellen Ipsen, District #117, moved the minutes of June 29 and August 24, 2022 be approved as presented; seconded by Mr. Mike Engel, District #73.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u> Ayes:	Districts 1, 3, 24, 33, 41, 46, 50, 56, 68, 70, 73, 75, 76, 79, 116, 117, 118, 121, 124, 127, 128, 187
Nays:	
Absent:	Districts 6, 34, 36, 37, 38, 72, 102, 120, 126

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment

STU PROPOSED CONTRACT

Dr. Wojcik of the SEDOL Board Negotiations Team presented a detailed overview outlining the proposed 3-year contract between the SEDOL Teachers' Union (STU) and the SEDOL Board. The Board approved the new contract which includes the 2022-23 school year.

Motion to Approve Contract

Ms. Joanne Osmond, D41, moved approval of the 3-year contract between the SEDOL Teachers' Union (STU) and the SEDOL Board as presented; seconded by Ms. Vanessa Boss, D24.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u> Ayes:	Districts 1, 3, 24, 33, 41, 46, 50, 56, 68, 70, 73, 75, 76, 79, 102, 116, 117, 118, 121, 124, 127, 128, 187
Nays:	
Absent:	Districts 6, 34, 36, 37, 38, 72, 120, 126

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE STU

Dr. Laura Wojcik of the SEDOL Board Negotiations Team provided an overview of the tentative Memorandum of Understanding reached with the SEDOL Teachers' Union (STU) regarding items relating to Service Recognition and Attendance Bonus. After extended discussion, the Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding.

Motion to Approve Memorandum of Understanding with the STU

Ms. Joanne Osmond, D41, moved approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the STU and the SEDOL Board as presented.; seconded by Mr. Jon Hauptman, D76.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u> Ayes:	Districts 1, 3, 33, 41, 46, 50, 56, 68, 70, 73, 75, 76, 79, 102, 116, 117, 118, 121, 124, 187
Nays:	District 127
Abstain:	Districts 24, 128
Absent:	Districts 6, 34, 36, 37, 38, 72, 120, 126

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE SSSA

Dr. Laura Wojcik of the SEDOL Board Negotiations Team provided an overview of the tentative Memorandum of Understanding reached with the SEDOL Support Staff Association (SSSA) regarding items relating to Service Recognition and Attendance Bonus. After extended discussion, the Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding.

Motion to Approve Memorandum of Understanding with the SSSA

Ms. Joanne Osmond, D41, moved approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the SSSA and the SEDOL Board as presented.; seconded by Ms. Anna Chang-Yen, D50.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u> Ayes:	Districts 1, 3, 41, 46, 50, 56, 68, 70, 73, 75, 76, 79, 102, 116, 117, 118, 121, 124, 187
Nays:	District 127
Abstain:	Districts 24, 33, 128
Absent:	Districts 6, 34, 36, 37, 38, 72, 120, 126

MOTION CARRIED

CLOSED SESSION

Motion to Enter into Closed Session

At 7:46 p.m., Mr. Jonathan Reinoso, D127, moved the Board enter into closed session to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired; seconded by Ms. Emily Savino, D68.

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE:</u> Ayes:	Districts 1, 3, 24, 33, 41, 46, 50, 56, 68, 70, 73, 75, 76, 79, 102, 116, 117, 118, 121, 124, 127, 128, 187
Nays:	
Absent:	Districts 6, 34, 36, 37, 38, 72, 120, 126

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Return to Public Session

At 8:09 p.m., Mr. Jonathan Reinoso, D127, moved the Board return to public session; seconded by Ms. Emily Savino, D68.

<u>VOICE VOTE:</u> Ayes:	Districts 1, 3, 24, 33, 41, 46, 50, 56, 68, 70, 73, 75, 76, 79, 102, 116, 117, 118, 121, 124, 127, 128, 187
Nays:	
Absent:	Districts 6, 34, 36, 37, 38, 72, 120, 126

MOTION CARRIED

While in closed session, the Board discussed the purchase or lease of real property.

PROGRAM REPORTS

Dr. Donnan shared the following updates with the Board:

1. Climate/Culture HumanEx Survey- The survey was sent out later this year as a result of the number of new staff hired after August 15, 2022. Due to low response numbers (45% participation), SEDOL will not be able to use the data collected. Administration will work with a team including union leadership to determine if we continue using the HumanEx Survey or look for an alternate evaluation tool.

2. Social Emotional Wellness for staff and students continues as a focus. Worker Comp calls have remained about the same as last year however; student physical restraints and time outs have increased. There is a growing need for student supports due to mental health concerns. SEDOL received a Community Partnership Grant and is working with other community organizations in an effort to assist in increasing mental health supports.
3. SEDOL has been able to hire new staff ongoing throughout this school year. The beginning of the school year focus was to fill vacancies throughout SEDOL. This focus is now moving in the direction of providing training and support to staff to ensure a more confident work environment.

OPEN FORUM

- Board Member Ms. Dora King provided a video from D187 on North Chicago’s new middle school. AbbVie donated \$40,000,000 to help build the school.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn

At 8:41 p.m., Mr. Jonathan Reinoso, D127, moved the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Mr. Shawn Killacky, D79.

<u>VOICE VOTE:</u>	Ayes:	Districts 1, 3, 24, 33, 41, 46, 50, 56, 68, 70, 73, 75, 76, 79, 102, 116, 117, 118, 121, 124, 127, 128, 187
	Nays:	
	Absent:	Districts 6, 34, 36, 37, 38, 72, 120, 126

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted by,

Sara Martinez
Recording Secretary

Approved by:

_____, Ms. Carey McHugh, President of the Board

_____, Dr. Stephen Mack, Secretary of the Board