



Valerie M. Donnan, Ed.D.
Superintendent

Executive Board Meeting Summary
Thursday, June 27, 2024

CONSENT AGENDA

Regular minutes, public hearing minutes, and financial matters were approved along with the following personnel items:

- ~ Request for Contracts for 10 ESP and 4 licensed staff
- ~ Resignations/retirements by 9 ESP and 6 licensed staff
- ~ Contracted staff 11 licensed staff

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Superintendent Retirement

The Executive Board recognized Dr. Valerie Donnan, SEDOL Superintendent who is retiring June 30, 2024. Dr. Donnan has served SEDOL since July 2018 as Superintendent and from August, 2003 to June 2012 as a teacher, lead teacher, and Sector Supervisor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was one person who spoke at Public Comment.

OLD BUSINESS

Final Budget for FY25

The Board approved the FY25 final budget and that it be presented for Governing Board approval at the meeting on August 7th.

1. The final budget be based on the accrual basis, which includes Evidence-Based Funding and tuition revenues being calculated accordingly;
2. For final budget purposes, total expenditures in the Education Fund for FY25 be set at \$44,610,282 and that those expenditures be offset by tuition, district contractual and grant revenue, leaving a fund balance of \$15,955,352;
3. Total expenditures in the Operations and Maintenance Fund be set at \$5,067,826; in the Debt Service Fund at \$278,350; in the Transportation Fund at \$688,812; in the IMRF Fund at \$922,732.

FY23 Audit

Dr. Donnan discussed the status of the FY23 audit.

SEDOL Fiscal Forecast Update

Mr. Matthew Crowley presented on the fiscal restructuring work that was completed by various stake holders. His presentation focused on two subcommittees, Shared Services and Tuition Reset. These committees have looked at current tuition costs and services and how they align to all or to some of our students. The committees focused on utilizing funds for all districts to benefit while reviewing actual costs (staff/program costs) to provide services. Mr. Crowley briefly discussed four options that were presented at the Future Fiscal Tuition Discussion on June 13th at which Member District Superintendents, Special Education Directors, and Business Managers attended. SEDOL is not looking to change services provided to our students, but how these services are funded. This meeting allowed member district input into future funding for SEDOL. Twenty-six of our thirty-one member districts attended this meeting.

Appointment of Authorized Agent

The Board approved Dr. Tim Thomas, Interim Superintendent, as the IMRF agent and TRS representative for the 2024-25 fiscal year.

Policy Revisions 1st Reading

The Board approved changes to the following polices: 2:230 *Public Participation*, 2:270 *Discrimination*, 5:120 *Employee Ethics*.

NEW BUSINESS

Summer Project Update

Dr. Donnan updated the Board on current summer projects:

1. The pond fence on the Gages Lake campus is complete.
2. The Administration Building geothermal HVAC project is well underway.
3. Ahead of the new gym floor being installed at Fairhaven School, staff volunteers will be painting the gym.

Regional Office of Education

The Board approved the annual renewal agreement stating SEDOL as one of the ROE fiscal agents.

Planning for the August Governing Board Meeting

The Board reviewed the draft agenda for the August 7, 2024 Governing Board meeting.

Daily Substitute for District Leadership Positions

Dr. Donnan discussed the need to consider possible daily district leadership position substitutes.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board entered into closed session to discuss:

1. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.
2. Collective bargaining matters, collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.
3. The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students.

OTHER BUSINESS

Request for Non-Member District Placements

1. Johnsburg School District 12 requested continued placement for one student in the SEDOL ED program. The Board approved this request.
2. Lake Zurich School District 95 requested continued placement for one student in the SEDOL DHH Program. The Board did not approve this request.
3. Lake Zurich School District 95 requested continued placement for one student in the SEDOL ELP Program. The Board approved this request.
4. Kildeer School District 96 requested continued placement for one student in the SEDOL DHH Program. The Board did not approve this request.

COMMITTEE REPORT

There were no Committee Reports

PROGRAM/SCHOOL REPORTS

Evidence of Exceptional Services

1. ESY has begun and is being hosted at Cyd Lash Academy, Gages Lake School, Laremont School, and Fairhaven School.
2. SEDOL Leadership hosted strategic fiscal planning committees with member district administration to progress toward the goal of prioritizing financial stability and health.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

The Board thanked Dr. Donnan again for her service and dedication to SEDOL and wished her well in her future endeavors.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

2023-24 Executive Board Meeting Schedule

Thursday, July 25, 2024 – 9:30 a.m. (*Cyd Lash Academy Multi-purpose Room*)

2024-25 Governing Board Meeting Schedule (*Gages Lake School Community Rm*)

Wednesday, August 7, 2024 – 7:00 p.m. *Public Hearing on Budget 6:50 p.m.*

Wednesday, December 4, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5, 2025 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 4, 2025 – 7:00 p.m.

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