

SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT OF LAKE COUNTY

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***Important Reminder: Board Members, if you cannot attend,
please send an alternate to the meeting.***

SEDOL Governing Board Meeting

Date: Wednesday, June 5, 2024
Time: 7:00 P.M. Regular Meeting
Place: Gages Lake School Community Room
18180 W. Gages Lake Road
Gages Lake, Illinois

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL (Dr. Donnan)
Once a quorum is present, Dr. Donnan will call the meeting to order.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Dr. Donnan)
- III. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA — ***ACTION NEEDED*** (Dr. Donnan)
Motion to Accept/Amend Agenda — *VOICE VOTE*
Move the agenda be accepted/amended as presented/recommended.
- IV. ELECTION OF GOVERNING BOARD OFFICERS — ***ACTION NEEDED*** (Dr. Donnan)
The Governing Board Nominating Committee recommends Ms. Joanne Osmond (Lake Villa D41) be appointed to serve a one-year term as Governing Board President and Dr. Stephen Mack (Community Consolidated District D46) be reappointed to serve another one-year term as Governing Board Secretary.
Motion to Elect Officers — *VOICE VOTE*
Move approval of the Nominating Committee's recommendations as presented.
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — ***ACTION NEEDED*** (Ms. Osmond)
Public session minutes from the March 6, 2024 meeting and the amended minutes from the December 6, 2023 meeting are included in the Board member electronic agenda packet.
Motion to Approve Minutes — *ROLL CALL VOTE*
Move approval of the minutes as presented.

VI. SPECIAL RECOGNITION (Dr. Donnan/Ms. Osmond)

A. Student Recognition

A student from Laremont School was selected by UCP Sequin Infinitec Assistive Technology Coalition Center and on April 18th received the 2024 Outstanding Student Technology Award.

B. Service to Governing Board

The Governing Board will recognize Ms. Carey McHugh, Governing Board President, D118, as she steps down from serving a Board President. Ms. McHugh has served as Secretary of the Governing Board from June 2013 to June 2015 and President of the Governing Board from June 2015 through June 2024.

C. Superintendent Retirement

The Governing Board will recognize 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.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT (Ms. Osmond)

President Osmond will recognize any visitors at the meeting. The Governing Board is always interested in hearing from anyone who has a concern or issue regarding SEDOL programs and services. In order to ensure that everyone is heard, and at the same time, conduct the meeting properly and efficiently, those wishing to address the Board are asked to observe the policy guidelines.

VIII. ANNUAL MEETING ACTIONS

A. Executive Board Member Appointments — **ACTION NEEDED** (Ms. Osmond)

The terms of four Executive Board members expire in June and there is an open seat:

- Dr. Lynn Glickman, Superintendent, Grayslake CC District 46
- Dr. Donn Mendoza, Superintendent, Round Lake Area School District 116
- Odie Pahl, Governing Board Member, Gurnee Grade School District 56
- Open, Governing Board Member

Dr. Glickman, Dr. Mendoza, and Ms. Pahl would like to serve another two-year term, and the Executive Board Nominating Committee recommends they be reappointed. They would serve a two-year term expiring in June 2026.

Motion to Appoint Executive Board Members — VOICE VOTE

Move approval of the Nominating Committee's recommendations as presented.

B. Delegation of Executive Board Authorities — **ACTION NEEDED** (Ms. Osmond)

The Governing Board will be asked to delegate Executive Board authorities for FY25. The authorities are delineated in Governing Board Policy 2:38, which is included in the electronic agenda packet.

Motion to Approve Delegation of Authorities — VOICE VOTE

Move approval of the delegation of authorities as presented.

C. Appointment of Treasurer 2024-25 — ***ACTION NEEDED*** (Ms. Osmond)

It is recommended that Ms. Suzana Peterson, Assistant Superintendent of Finance, serve as treasurer for the district.

Motion to Appoint Treasurer — *VOICE VOTE*

Move Ms. Suzana Peterson serve as treasurer for the 2024-25 school year.

D. Establish Meeting Dates — ***ACTION NEEDED*** (Ms. Osmond)

The Governing Board will be asked to establish meeting dates for the 2024-25 school year. Suggested meeting dates are:

Wednesday, August 7, 2024	Wednesday, March 5, 2025
Wednesday, December 4, 2024	Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Motion to Establish Meeting Dates — *VOICE VOTE*

Move approval of the meeting schedule as recommended.

IX. PRESENTATION OF TENTATIVE BUDGET — ***ACTION NEEDED*** (Ms. Peterson)

Ms. Peterson will present the tentative budget for the 2024-25 school year. At its April meeting, the Executive Board unanimously recommended the Governing Board approve the tentative budget with recommendations as follows:

1. The tentative budget be based on the accrual basis, which includes Evidence-Based Funding and tuition revenues being calculated accordingly;
2. For tentative budget purposes, total expenditures in the Education Fund for FY25 be set at \$44,976,461 and that those expenditures be offset by tuition, district contractual and grant revenue, leaving a fund balance of \$9,736,046;
3. Total expenditures in the Operations and Maintenance Fund be set at \$5,168,015; in the Debt Service Fund at \$278,350; in the Transportation Fund at \$690,228; in the IMRF Fund at \$630,403.
4. The Board Treasurer be directed to post/publish notice of a budget hearing scheduled for 6:50 p.m. on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, in the Community Room at Gages Lake School.

Motion to Approve Tentative Budget — *ROLL CALL VOTE*

Move approval of the tentative FY25 budget recommendations as presented.

X. SEDOL FOCUS FOR THE FUTURE – ***INFORMATIONAL*** (Dr. Donnan)

Dr. Donnan will share with the Governing Board information regarding the need of a financial restructure for SEDOL's future, supporting SEDOL's over 60 year mission to support exceptional students and steps being planned for future implementation.

XI. TENTATIVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDSTANDING WITH THE SSSA – ACTION NEEDED
(Dr. Wojcik)

The Board Negotiation Team will provide an overview of the tentative Memorandum of Understanding reached with the SEDOL Support Staff Association regarding items relating to Extended School Year (ESY) pay and paraprofessional placements in LASSO 3 program.

Motion to Approve Agreement— ROLL CALL VOTE

Move approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with the SEDOL Support Staff Association and the SEDOL Board as presented.

XII. DISCUSSION OF DISTRICT WITHDRAWAL RESOLUTION – INFORMATIONAL (Dr. Donnan)

Dr. Donnan will share about SEDOL Articles of Joint Agreement and the process of possible withdrawals of member districts.

XIII. OPEN FORUM – INFORMATIONAL (Ms. Osmond)

Governing Board members are encouraged to suggest agenda items for the next regular meeting. Governing Board members are invited to make whatever comments they feel appropriate.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT – (Ms. Osmond)

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2023-24 Executive Board Meeting Schedule *SEDOL Office Bay Room*

Thursday, June 27, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

Proposed- 2024-25 Executive Board Meeting Schedule *SEDOL Office Bay Room*

Thursday, July 25, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, August 22, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, September 26, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, October 24, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, November 14, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, December 19, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, January 23, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, February 27, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, March 20, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, April 3, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

Special Meeting to Review Tentative Budget Meeting

Thursday, April 24, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, May 22, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, June 26, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, July 24, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

**The Executive Board will approve the 2024-25 meeting schedule at its July meeting.*

Proposed- 2023-24 Governing Board Meeting Schedule- *Gages Lake School Community Room*

Wednesday, August 7, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.

Public Hearing on Budget at 6:30 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.