# Southeastern Community Unit School District # 337 Minutes of Regular Meeting

August 23, 2023 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 Wednesday, August 23, 2023 in the Board of Education Office in Augusta, Illinois. Bobbi Smith, 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:

<b>Board of Education</b>	Title	Present	Absent
Eric Bunnell	Member	X	
Mark Hitz	Member	X	
Grant Holst	Member	X	
Bobbi Smith	President	X	
Julie Stevens	Secretary	X	
Greg Tippey	Vice President	X	
Administration	Title	Present	Absent
Tecia Lantz	Superintendent	X	
Brandon Gooding	Elementary Principal	X	Left at 6:47 p.m.
Tim Kerr	Jr. High Principal	X	Left at 6:47 p.m.
Kimberly Harrison	Sr. High Principal	X	Left at 6:47 p.m.
Cyle Rigg	District AD/Transp. Director	X	Left at 6:47 p.m.
Staff	Title	Present	Absent
Lisa Knorr	Recording Secretary	X	
<b>Others Present</b>	Title	Address the Board	Topic
No Guests	N/A	N/A	N/A

# **Agenda Items**

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

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Bunnell, Hitz, Holst, Smith, Stevens, Tippey

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

# **Approval of Minutes**

On a motion by Member Stevens and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education approved the minutes from the July 26, 2023 regular meeting and closed session.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Hitz, Holst, Smith, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

## **Special Recognition**

None.

#### **Financial**

Superintendent Lantz reviewed the FY24 budget process.

On a motion by Member Bunnell and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education approved the FY24 tentative budget as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Holst, Smith, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell, Hitz

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

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

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Smith, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell, Hitz, Holst

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

#### **Informational Items**

Superintendent Lantz presented the current enrollment numbers plus the last 5 years.

Superintendent Lantz updated the board on the Preschool bus routes.

Superintendent Lantz discussed the opportunity of another upcoming maintenance grant.

Superintendent Lantz presented the IASA Compliance Plus service.

Superintendent Lantz updated the board on the College and Career Readiness plan for the FY24 school year.

Superintendent Lantz presented the possibility of an E-sports opportunity for students.

No administrative reports were given.

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Bunnell, the Board of Education moved into closed session at 6:47 p.m. for 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, for the selection of a person to fill a vacancy on the school board, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office, when the public body is given power to remove the occupant under law or ordinance, and the discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for the purpose of school board approval of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as required by law.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell, Hitz, Holst, Smith

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

The Board of Education returned to Open Session at 7:35 p.m.

#### **Action Items**

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education approved the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of board policies: 2:260 Uniform Grievance Procedure, 2:265 Title IX Sexual Harassment Grievance Procedure, 5:10 Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruiting, 5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited, 5:170 Copyright, 7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited, 7:180 Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Tippey, Bunnell, Hitz, Holst, Smith, Stevens

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Hitz and a second by Member Bunnell, the Board of Education approved the purchase of the IASA Compliance Plus service for the 2023-2024 school year in the amount of \$5,200.00.

Aye: Bunnell, Hitz, Holst, Smith, Stevens, Tippey

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education approved the release of the following closed session minutes for public view: February 27, 2023, March 27, 2023, April 24, 2023, June 26, 2023, and July 26, 2023.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Hitz, Holst, Smith, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell

Nay: Holst Absent: None Motion Carried On a motion by Member Bunnell and a second by Member Hitz, the Board of Education accepted the resignation of Trisha Weese in the position of paraprofessional for the 2023-2024 school year effective August 8, 2023.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Holst, Smith, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell, Hitz

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Bunnell, the Board of Education accepted the resignation of Kathy Ferguson in the position of bus route monitor for the 2023-2024 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Smith, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell, Hitz, Holst

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Hitz and a second by Member Bunnell, the Board of Education approved the employment of Vanessa Burch in the position of bus route monitor for the 2023-2024 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell, Hitz, Holst, Smith

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Bunnell, the Board of Education approved the employment of Derek Vail in the position of preschool route driver for the 2023-2024 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Tippey, Bunnell, Hitz, Holst, Smith, Stevens

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Hitz and a second by Member Bunnell, the Board of Education approved the employment of Lisa Roberts in the position of paraprofessional for the 2023-2024 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Bunnell, Hitz, Holst, Smith, Stevens, Tippey

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried On a motion by Member Bunnell and a second by Member Tippey, the Board of Education approved the employment of Hailie Hardy in the position of paraprofessional for the 2023-2024 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Hitz, Holst, Smith, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

On a motion by Member Stevens and a second by Member Bunnell, the Board of Education approved the employment of Evan Bennett in the position of paraprofessional for the 2023-2024 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Holst, Smith, Stevens, Tippey, Bunnell, Hitz

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Carried

## Adjournment

On a motion by Member Tippey and a second by Member Stevens, the Board of Education voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Voice Vote Motion Carried



President, Board of Education



Secretary, Board of Education