

Minutes of the Governing Board Meeting

The Governing Board of the Henry-Stark Counties Special Education District met on Thursday, June 16, 2022, at 12:10 p.m. in the Henry-Stark Counties Special Education District Administrative Office, Kewanee, Illinois. Roll call showed the following members present: Mr. Bryan, Mr. Gripp, Mr. DeBord, Mrs. Leezer, and Mr. Newman. Members absent: Mrs. Boelens, Mr. Larson, and Mr. Snodgrass. Others present: Casey Miller.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS: Casey Miller had no comments.

CONSENT AGENDA: A motion was made by Bryan and seconded by Newman to approve the following items under Consent Agenda:

- 03/16/23 Governing Board Meeting Minutes
- 03/16/23 Executive Session Minutes
- 03/15/23, 03/31/23, 04/14/23, 04/28/23, 05/15/23, & 05/31/23
Bills Payable
- 03/17/23, 03/31/23, 04/14/23, 04/28/23, 05/12/23, 05/26/23, & 06/09/23
Payroll Withholding
- 03/17/23, 03/31/23, 04/14/23, 04/28/23, 05/12/23, 05/26/23, & 06/09/23
Payroll and Benefits
- 03/31/23, 04/30/23, and 05/31/23
Financial Statements

Roll call vote showed DeBord, Leezer, Newman, and Bryan, and Gripp voting aye. No one voted nay.

Motion Carried 5-0

PERSONNEL: Motion by Newman, seconded by Gripp to approve the following Personnel Items:

EMPLOYMENT

Ms. Sydney Barta
Social Worker
Salary: \$48,000.00
Start Date: First Day of the 2023-2024 School Year

Roll call vote showed DeBord, Leezer, Newman, Bryan and Gripp voting aye. No one voted nay.

Motion Carried 5-0

FY24 TENTATIVE DISTRICT BILLINGS: Motion by DeBord, seconded by Leezer to recommend approving the FY24 Projected District Billings for Tort, IMRF, FICA, Medicare, Tuition, and Federal Grant Billing as follows:

Annawan #226	\$297,281.56
Bradford #1	\$167,010.37
Cambridge #227	\$266,833.13
Galva #224	\$610,549.10
Geneseo #228	\$2,045,232.65
Kewanee #229	\$2,580,374.06
Stark County #100	\$714,879.86
Wethersfield #230	\$320,127.77

Roll call vote showed, Leezer, Newman, Bryan, DeBord, and Gripp voting aye. No one voted nay.

Motion Carried 5-0

FY24 BUDGET
AUTHORIZATION:

Vote to authorize the Director to prepare the FY24 Tentative Operating Budget and place on public display for the required 30 days prior to the August 18, 2023, Operating Budget Hearing.

Roll call vote showed Leezer, Newman, Bryan, DeBord, and Gripp voting aye. No one voted nay.

Voice Vote 5-0

JUNE 2023
JULY 2023
AUGUST 2023
AUTHORIZATION:

Motion by Newman, seconded by Bryan to authorize the Director to process the June 2023, July 2023, and August 2023, Payroll Liabilities, Payroll Obligations, Bills Payable, and Personnel Actions as necessary.

Roll call vote showed, Bryan, DeBord, Leezer, Newman, and Gripp, voting aye. No one voted nay.

Motion Carried 5-0

INFORMATION ITEMS:

The following items were presented for discussion and/or review:

1. FY23 Cash Flow
2. ExCEL Report by Steve Wheelock

I am happy to report that we have successfully completed another school year at ExCEL. We had 4 seniors graduate, 3 from Kewanee High School and 1 from Cambridge. Currently there are 49 students returning in the fall, with 4 additional students on the radar.

We have 2 teachers that have tendered their assignments, bringing us up to 4 teacher positions open. Anthony Roome is a long-term sub in the High School. Taylor Gerleman is in the ELA middle school vacancy, and Tessa Schmuck is a long-term sub for the 2-3 grade vacancy. All three are extremely competent and have served work as long-term subs at ExCEL. That leaves an additional High School Teacher opening that I have to fill.

We have 2 paraprofessional openings currently and one additional one that might need to be filled. We are also reviewing applicants for the custodial position.

I started my first internship for my master's in educational administration. I am currently one-fourth of the way through and on track to complete my masters in June of 2024. Mr. Miller is guiding me through end-of-year reporting and at the same time we are preparing the school for our first day in August.

Next week the summer crew will start on the painting, cleaning, and waxing that needs to be accomplished every summer.

3. FY24 Executive Board and Governing Board Meeting Dates
4. Next Meeting Date: August 17, 2023 12:00 pm-Operating Budget to follow

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further items for discussion, a motion was made by Bryan and seconded by Newman to adjourn. Time: 12:33 p.m.

Motion Carried 5-0 Voice Vote