

**SANGAMON AREA SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING**

2500 Taylor Avenue
Springfield, IL 62703

December 11, 2018
9:00 a.m.

I. Roll Call

Mr. Brue called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Roll call was taken:

Members Present: Mr. Page, Mr. Root, Dr. Goble, Mr. Heavner, Mr. Alexander,
Mr. Brue, Mr. Polanin, Ms. Larson, Mr. DePatis, Mr. Reedy

Members Absent: Dr. Laird, Dr. Ehrman, Mr. Runge

Also Present: Mr. Strawn, Ms. Assalley, Ms. Williams, Ms. Horn

II. Closed Session

The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 9:01 a.m. after passage of a motion by Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. Heavner. The motion passed with a 10:0 roll call approval.

III. Director's Report

A. Approve outcome of Employee Dismissal Hearing

Mr. Strawn informed the Board that SASSED's recommendation is to dismiss non-certified employee number 19423. Mr. Alexander made the motion to approve the employee dismissal, seconded by Mr. Page. The motion to dismiss passed on a 10:0 roll call vote.

B. Request by North Mac CUSD #34 to employ special education teachers and paraprofessionals beginning with the 2018-2019 school year.

Mr. Strawn informed the Board that SASSED has received the formal letter from North Mac CUSD # 34 requesting to employ their own special education teachers and paraprofessionals starting with the 2019-2020 school year. Upon approval SASSED in January will meet with any SASSED employed staff in the North Mac school district and give them a deadline to submit their intent either to stay with SASSED or become a North Mac School District employee. Ms. Larson made the motion to approve North Mac's request to employ their own special education teachers and paraprofessionals, seconded by Mr. Heavner. The motion carried on a 10:0 roll call vote.

C. Discuss/Approve bid for asbestos abatement project.

Mr. Strawn informed the Board that when SASSED had the Life Safety testing done last year, one of the recommendations was to have asbestos found in the glue

under the cafeteria floor removed. The area of concern is approximately 1030 square feet in size. SASSED worked with their environmental consultants to acquire bids to have this asbestos removed and the lowest bid came in at \$8,400.00 from Cenpro Services. Mr. Page made the motion to approve the contract with Cenpro Services to remove the asbestos, seconded by Mr. DePatis. The motion was approved on a 10:0 roll call vote.

D. Discuss Needs Assessment Results

Mr. Strawn informed the Board that SASSED has conducted their Needs Assessment survey for the year and will be mailing out the results to each member district for their records. Mr. Strawn noted that 135 people responded to the survey with 65 individuals being parents. One of the observations was that some parents did not appear to be informed of the programs that SASSED offers and how determinations are made for students to be in those programs. Last year SASSED looked at ways to promote more parent involvement and they held an informational meeting for parents. SASSED will be looking at holding another informational meeting for parents this spring that will be tailored toward the areas that were mentioned in the Needs Assessment. SASSED will also continue to have Administrators meet with the SASSED attorney Brandon Wright to go over current topics in Special Education, and will continue its work on curriculum development.

E. SASSED Central Report

Ms. Horn notified the Board that current enrollment is at eighty-five students with four students set to graduate at the end of the semester pending their finals results. The structured teaching program remains at full capacity but there are openings in the BD programs. The next incentive event for the students will be Battle Orbs this upcoming Friday. SASSED will also hold its annual Santa Store and will be hosting the next series in the Trauma Informed trainings. Ms. Horn noted that she also conducted a Needs Assessment with her SASSED Central staff and one of the areas the staff mentioned they would like to see more of was staff regulation. SASSED Central recently hosted a technical training for its staff centered on using and applying current technology. SASSED Central received positive feedback from the staff on this training and they will be looking at hosting another technology training event. Upcoming CPI training is slated for the Virginia School District in January. SASSED Central will also be looking at holding an upcoming training for Administrators, Psychologists and Social Workers regarding Functional Behavioral Assessment. SASSED will also be working with Julie Hoyland to streamline the process for requesting a Behavioral Consult for a student and holding teachers accountable for recommendations that come as a result of this consultation.

IV. Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda contains approval of minutes from the regular session on November 13, 2018 and approval and sealing of executive session minutes from that date. The Agenda also contains Financial Reports, Bills Payable and a Personnel Report, including the employment of Katie Hall and Amy Shoemaker to

non-certified positions as well as the resignation of Sara Osborn from a non-certified staff position. Mr. Heavner made the motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Page. The motion was approved on a 10:0 roll call vote.

V. Other Business

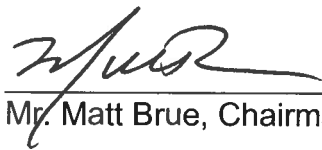
No other business.

VI. Recognition of Visitors

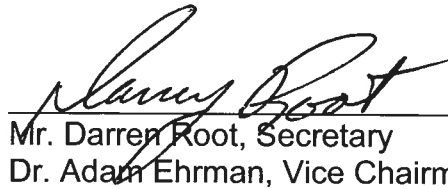
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VII. Adjournment

Mr. DePatis made the motion to adjourn seconded by Ms. Larson. The motion to adjourn was approved 10:0.



Mr. Matt Brue, Chairman



Mr. Darren Root, Secretary
Dr. Adam Ehrman, Vice Chairman