

**South Shore Educational Collaborative
75 Abington Street, Hingham, MA 02043**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Friday, May 26, 2023**

Present:	Patrick Sullivan	Cohasset
	Judith Kuehn	Hull
	Jeffrey Granatino	Marshfield
	Matthew Keegan	Norwell
	Kevin Mulvey	Quincy
	Thea Stovell	Randolph
	William Burkhead	Scituate
	Robert Wargo	Weymouth

SSEC: Richard L. Reino, Executive Director
Erin Holder, Interim Director of Student Services
Jon Reynard, Community School Program Director

1. Acceptance of the minutes from the March 31, 2023 meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Keegan and seconded by Mr. Mulvey; unanimously approved.
2. FY 23 financial summary and OPEB trust transfer of funds. The executive director provided an overview of the bank balances, and the reasons behind potential deficits in the budget. Options and next steps to address deficit during virtual meeting Friday June 2, 2023:
 1. Raise FY24 tuitions to 6% and 8% (option A)
 2. Not contributing to OPEB (option B)
 3. Possibly not replacing a few staff who are retiring (option B)
 4. Possibly a double digit tuition increase for FY25
 5. Hiring Para's on Step 3 or 4 instead of hiring from Norton's

A suggestion to put a building committee together to look at options for relocation of the school.

3. FY 24 budget discussion. Hold for vote of OPEB transfer to take \$40,062 to reimburse SSEC for retiree benefits for FY 23.
4. Strategic plan. A handout was provided to board members; the plan is a continuation of the existing plan with updates such as facilities. A motion to approve the 23-26 strategic plan was made by Dr. Sullivan and seconded by Mr. Granatino; unanimously approved.

5. SRO MOU including body worn camera language. Page 7 has a change in the body worn camera language. The body worn camera language is similar to the Hingham Public School language. A motion to approve the MOU was made by Mr. Keegan and seconded by Mr. Granatino; unanimously approved.
6. Report of the Director of Student Services; Stonehill College teacher residency. Job fairs have been attended to try to find students who would like to be employed here. This is a popular option for psychology interns, exercise physiologists, physical therapy students as this gives them an opportunity to be with the student population they are learning about. Stonehill staff will come to speak with SSEC staff regarding the graduate program. The Director of Student Services will tell the student services directors in the districts about this option.
7. Executive Director evaluation. The chair has facilitated the evaluation of the executive director; she followed the model that is used in Hull. Formative assessment; on target with goals; his ratings are proficient. The executive director thanked board members for their support.
8. Hull and Randolph classroom rental rates. There will be a 5% increase for FY 24. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Keegan and seconded by Mr. Granatino; unanimously approved.
9. A revised 2023-2024 calendar with board meeting dates will be emailed.
10. Other items.
11. Executive Session: Chapter 39, Section 29, mandates that in order to go into Executive Session, the Collaborative Board must:
 - a. Do so on a roll call vote.
 - b. State purpose of Executive Session
 - c. Indicate whether the body will reconvene in public session.Matters to be considered in Executive Session: Legal matters update

A motion to enter into Executive Session, and not to return to Open Session was made by Mr. Granatino and seconded by Mr. Burkhead; a roll call vote was taken, with Mr Keegan voting yes, Dr. Sullivan voting yes, Mr. Burkhead voting yes, Mr. Mulvey voting yes, Mr. Wargo voting yes, Ms. Stovell voting yes, and Ms. Kuehn voting yes; unanimously approved.

A roll call vote to leave Executive Session was made by Mr. Wargo and seconded by Mr. Granatino; a roll call vote was taken, with Mr Keegan voting yes, Dr. Sullivan voting yes,

Mr. Burkhead voting yes, Mr. Mulvey voting yes, Mr. Wargo voting yes, Ms. Stovell voting yes, and Ms. Kuehn voting yes; unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.