

## Special Education Association of Peoria County

4812 W. Pfeiffer Rd.

Bartonville, IL 61607

## Meeting of SEAPCO Board of Control

9:30 a.m., Friday, August 8, 2025

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<b>V.</b> Discussion/Information Items <b>A.</b> Personnel Update <b>B.</b> Director's Report <b>1.</b> Treasurer's Report <b>2.</b> Mileage Review <b>3.</b> Program Updates <b>4.</b> SEAPCO Welcome Back <b>5.</b> Occupational Therapy Numbers <b>6.</b> Public Care Review Board Rates <b>7.</b> ISBE Cyclical Monitoring <b>8.</b> SRO Agreement with the Village of Bartonville <b>9.</b> Next BOC Meeting Date – September 12, 2025	
<b>VI.</b> Closed Session <b>A.</b> Review Information Concerning the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body or Legal Counsel for the Public Body <b>B.</b> Placement of Individual Students in Special Education Programs and Other Matters Relating to Individual Students	
<b>VII.</b> Personnel <b>A.</b> Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Board of Control of SEAPCO and the SEAPCO-Education Association <b>B.</b> Approval to Employ <b>C.</b> Approval of the School Resource Officer Agreement with the Village of Bartonville	
<b>VIII.</b> Communications	
<b>IX.</b> Presentation from Audience on Non-Agenda Business	
<b>X.</b> Non-Agenda Business by Board Members and Administration	
<b>XI.</b> Adjournment	

**SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF PEORIA COUNTY  
BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING  
REGULAR SESSION  
AUGUST 8, 2025 (FRIDAY)  
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Mr. Shinall called the Regular meeting of the Special Education Association of Peoria County Board of Control Meeting to order in the conference room at the SEAPCO Central Office.

The Meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Mr. Shinall asked for Roll Call Attendance to be taken.

**Present:** Forck, Baele, Weaver, Reiley, Vallas, Jones, Brown, Lamboley, Schmieg, Heath, Shinall, Almasi, Sondgeroth, McKenna

**Absent:** Flowers, Jockish, Allison

**Also in Attendance:** Klesath, Higdon, Miller

**Visitors:** Jacy Vick

**III. PRESENTATION FROM THE AUDIENCE ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Shinall thanked the visitors in attendance and gave them an opportunity to address the Board on agenda items. He asked all visitors to please identify themselves for the record.

**IV. ACTION ITEMS**

- A.** Review/Reviewed and approve/approved Board Minutes: Regular session meeting held on June 12, 2025.

**Motion:** Reiley

**Second:** Baele

**Voice Vote:**

**All Ayes  
Motion Passed**

- B.** Reviewed and approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

1. Approval of the Bills
2. Threat Assessment Plan
3. Approval of intergovernmental agreement with Woodford County Special Education Association

**Motion:** Jones

**Second:** Brown

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes: 258  
Nays: 0  
Motion Passed**

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**C. Public Hearing: FY26 SEAPCO Budget**

**Motion:** Baele  
**Roll Call Vote:**

**Second:** Jones  
**Ayes:** 258  
**Nays:** 0

**Entered Public Hearing at 9:35 a.m.**

No Public Comments

**Motion:** Baele

**Second:** Brown

**Voice Vote:**

**All Ayes**

**Closed Public Hearing at 9:36 a.m.**

**D. Reviewed and approved the FY26 SEAPCO Budget**

**Motion:** Forck

**Second:** Lamboley

**Roll Call Vote**

**Ayes:** 258  
**Nays:** 0  
**Motion Passed**

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- E. Approval to Waive 1<sup>st</sup> Reading and Adopt/Review the Following Policies**
1. 1:20 Association Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements
  2. 1:30 Association Philosophy
  3. 2:10 Association Governance
  4. 2:80 Board Member Oath and Conduct
  5. 2:130 Board-Director Relationship
  6. 2:240 Board Policy Development
  7. 2:120-E1 Exhibit - Guidelines for Serving as a Mentor to a New Board Member
  8. 2:220-E9 Exhibit - Requirements for No Physical Presence of Quorum and
  9. Participation by Audio or Video During Disaster Declaration
  10. 2:220-E4 Exhibit - Open Meeting Minutes
  11. 2:220-E7 Exhibit - Access to Closed Meeting Minutes and Verbatim Recordings
  12. 2:240-E1 Exhibit - PRESS Issue Updates
  13. 2:240-E2 Exhibit - Developing Local Policy
  14. 3:30 Chain of Command
  15. 4:50 Payment Procedures
  16. 4:90 Student Activity and Fiduciary Funds
  17. 4:180 Pandemic Preparedness; Management; and Recovery
  18. 5:20-E Resolution to Prohibit Sexual Harassment
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  25. 8:110 Public Suggestions and Concerns

**Motion:** Jones

**Second:** Weaver

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** 258

**Nays:** 0

**Motion Passed**

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**V. INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Mr. Shinall stated this concludes the **ACTION ITEMS** segment of the meeting. He moved on to the **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION** segment of the meeting. Items labeled with an asterisk (\*) are presented for informational purposes and for recording purposes in the "Official Board Minutes."

**A. Personnel Update:** Director Klesath reported the following resignations: Kim Strausbaugh, Tianna Wallis, Makayla Ellison, Noah Harshbarger, Taylor White, Jade Malone, and Hannah Buckley

**B. Director's Report:**

1. Treasurer's Report- Mr. Higdon reported the SEAPCO budget ended \$500,000 to the good.
2. Mileage Review- Mr. Higdon, provided a three (3) year review of employee mileage. He indicated they have been reviewing cost reduction strategies, including adjusting schedules for employees who travel.
3. Program Updates- Director Klesath, shared that SEAPCO has 50 new staff members this year. Overall, we are in pretty good shape, and we feel better than last year at this time.
4. SEAPCO Welcome Back- Director Klesath shared that it was held in July this year, which gave all employees a chance to attend. We celebrated 60 years of SEAPCO, and the theme was Resilience.
5. Occupational Therapy Numbers - Director Klesath indicated that we are pretty full and will be monitoring the caseloads and needs for a possible additional position. Over the past five (5) years, our numbers have trended up.
6. Public Care Review Board Rules- Director Klesath shared the reimbursement amounts that were recently approved.
7. ISBE Cyclical Monitoring- Director Klesath, reminded the Board of Control that 10 Districts will go through the process in FY 27, and the remaining six (6) will be during the FY 30 school term.
8. SRO agreement with the Village of Bartonville- Director Klesath reviewed the agreement.
9. Next BOC Meeting Date – September 12, 2025

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**VI. EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Shinall stated this concludes INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS of the meeting agenda. He moved into EXECUTIVE / CLOSED SESSION for the following purpose(s):

- Review Information Concerning the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body or Legal Counsel for the Public Body
- Placement of Individual Students in Special Education Programs and Other Matters Relating to Individual Students

Mr. Shinall stated that **NO FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN** on any of these matters until the Board returns to Open Session.

Mr. Shinall asked for a motion to enter into Closed Session per the Illinois Compiled Statutes 120/2.

**Motion:** Brown

**Second:** Baele

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes: 258**

**Nays: 0**

**Motion Passed**

**Entered Executive Session at 9:47 a.m.**

Mr. Shinall asked for a motion to return to Open Session.

**Motion:** Sondgeroth

**Second:** Lamboley

**Voice Vote:**

**All Ayes**

**Returned to Open Session at 10:01 a.m.**

**VII. PERSONNEL**

**A.** Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Board of Control of SEAPCO and the SEAPCO-Education Association.

**Motion:** Reiley

**Second:** Jones

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes: 258**

**Nays: 0**

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**Motion Passed**

**B. Approval to Employ:**

1. Jerry Maushard, Teacher (1.00 FTE) Bartonville Grade School, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
2. Lloyd Scott, Teacher (1.00 FTE) Pleasant Hill Elementary, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
3. Bluntavia Clark, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE) SEAPCO Academy, effective for the 2025-2026 school year
4. Whitney Edwards, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), Brimfield Elementary, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
5. Ruth Evancho, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), Limestone High School, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
6. Seth Holocker, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), Limestone High School, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
7. KeJaylla Jackson, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE) SEAPCO Academy, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
8. Alexis Johnson, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), Norwood Primary, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
9. Na'Tionn Jordan, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), Bartonville Grade School, effective for the 2025- 2026 school year.
10. Hope Menne, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), SEAPCO Academy, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
11. Noah Reginald, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), Limestone High School, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
12. Ashlie Reinhart, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), Pleasant Hill Elementary, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
13. Melissa Renken, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), SEAPCO Academy, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
14. Rita Terrell, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), Bartonville Grade School, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
15. Destiny Ward, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), Farmington Central High School, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
16. Amy Stanley, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), Bartonville Grade School, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
17. Kendall Hearn, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE), SEAPCO Academy, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
18. Mackenzie Karouzos, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE) Bartonville Grade School, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.
19. Larreisha Gatlin, Paraprofessional (1.00 FTE) Bartonville Grade School, effective for the 2025-2026 school year.

**Motion:** Forck

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Second:** Reiley

**Ayes:** 258

**Nays:** 0

**Motion Passed**



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C. Approval of the School Resource Officer Agreement with the Village of Bartonville.

**Motion:** Baele

**Second:** Weaver

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** 258

**Nays:** 0

**Motion Passed**

**VIII. COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Shinall reviewed communications: **NONE**

**IX. PRESENTATION FROM AUDIENCE ON NON-AGENDA BUSINESS**

Mr. Shinall asked if there is any non-agenda business to be brought before the Board from the audience. **NONE**

**X. NON-AGENDA BUSINESS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND ADMINISTRATION**

Mr. Shinall asked if there is any non-agenda business to be brought before the Board from either Board Members or the Administration.

Mr. Shinall complimented Director Klesath and her staff on their preparedness during collective bargaining.

Dr. McKenna indicated the Fall Superintendent meeting would be set soon. He also indicated the Homeland Security Grant was terminated.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Shinall asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Motion:** Baele

**Second:** Jones

**Voice Vote:**

**All Ayes**

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:06 a.m.**