

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
MARCH 21, 2023

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The Board of Education of District No. 119, St. Clair County, Illinois, met in the conference room, Belle Valley School District, 2465 Amann Drive, Belleville, Illinois, in said District at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 21, 2023.

President Kunz called the meeting to order. The roll was called and the following members were present: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Stover, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Whipple, and Ms. Keiser. Those absent: Mrs. Owens.

The Board of Education and others in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Kunz recommended adopting the board agenda. Mr. Whipple moved to adopt the board agenda. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Stover, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Whipple, and Ms. Keiser. Nays none, motion carried.

President Kunz recognized the visitors present for the meeting. Laura Cochran addressed the Board during public comment.

The Board of Education acknowledged OPAA's monthly food service report.

Principal Ms. Kramper discussed the following: Dental Safari Co. was here two (2) days in February; volunteer readers from SAFB for Black History month; Dr. Seuss Family Reading Night for Pre-K to 4<sup>th</sup> grades; Women in History month (March) - continue with songs in the announcements; IAR planning committee overseeing assembly, rewards party and testing; end of 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report cards sent home; PBIS rewards party; and summatives complete. Assistant Principal Mr. Musso discussed the proposed updates to the Student/Parent Handbook for FY2024. Principal Mrs. Leib discussed the following: student reminders of school rules and guidelines for appropriate dress, homework, etc.; meetings with individual students who are on the retention list.

Supt. Gale provided handouts for the following: OPAA one-year extension price increases and School Resource Officer (SRO) agreement has been approved. Supt. Gale informed the Board of the following: promotion ceremony is Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>; last day of school is Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>; the Knights will participate in CPR/AED training on March 23<sup>rd</sup>; and the Regional Office of Education completed its compliance visit.

President Kunz asked whether board members had any questions for the consent agenda items, which included: (a) minutes of the regular and executive meetings of the Board of Education on February 21, 2023 (b) freedom of information requests – none, (c) enrollment report, (d) lunch report, (e) ESP report, (f) Treasurer report, (g) financial report; and (h) payment

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of bills, and any upcoming bills that would incur a late fee. The bills were presented for approval and payment in the following amounts, (see itemized lists attached): Education Fund - \$1,098,737.36; O & M Fund - \$40,461.76; Debt Service Fund - \$2,113.21; Transportation Fund - \$59,959.15; IMRF/Social Security Fund - \$250,000.00; Working Cash Fund - \$500,000.00; Tort Fund - \$267,679.00; Fire & Safety Fund - \$250,000.00. Mrs. Miller moved to approve the consent agenda items. Mrs. Stover seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Stover, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Whipple, Ms. Keiser, and Mrs. Kunz. Nays none, motion carried.

President Kunz recommended approving the FY2024 school calendar. Mr. Whipple moved to approve the FY2024 school calendar as presented. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Dr. Winfield moved that the Board of Education enter into executive session at 7:35 P.M. under 5ILCS 120/2 (c.) (1) (2) for the discussion of personnel, employment, evaluations, and collective bargaining. Mr. Whipple seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Stover, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Whipple, Ms. Keiser, Mrs. Kunz, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Ms. Keiser moved that the Board of Education exit executive session at 9:55 P.M. Mrs. Stover seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Mr. Whipple, Ms. Keiser, Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, and Mrs. Stover. Nays none, motion carried.

Mrs. Miller moved to approve resolution #03212023 to hire the necessary staff for the FY2023-2024 school year. Ms. Keiser seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Whipple, Ms. Keiser, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Stover, and Mrs. Miller. Members abstaining: Mrs. Kunz. Nays none, motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education at this time, Ms. Keiser moved that the meeting adjourn at 10:05 P.M. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

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Karen L. Kunz, President  
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