

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS
MAY 17, 2022

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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, May 17, 2022.

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

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. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

President Kunz recognized the visitors present for the meeting. Marge Belt informed the Board she has turned in her resignation letter and thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as the middle school social worker for the past fifteen (15) years. Amber Kohnz, BVEA Local 4465 president, expressed the union's concern of the turnover in staff.

The Board of Education acknowledged the following: OPAA's monthly food service report; State Representative LaToya Greenwood's letter regarding coding error for the evidence-based funding formula; Cindy Callahan's retirement letter; and Janna Owen's certificate of course completion for school board members. Karrie Ridder and her art club students and Sandy Martin and her photography club students provided presentations on the projects and activities they completed this past school year. Santana Cole, middle school special education teacher, and Chelsey Johnson, 5th grade teacher, provided a presentation on the Unfinished Learning Program implemented within the District this past school year. Margot Holt, Business Manager, discussed the proposed budget amendments for the fiscal year 2022.

Assistant Principal Musso discussed the proposed handbook changes and/or revisions.

Principal Leib reported the following: registration for summer school has started; there are very few students on the retention list due to the Transitional Classrooms established this past school year and summer school; and the Promotion Ceremony is on May 26th at 7:00 P.M.

Supt. Gale presented the Board with a playground resurface project bid from Byrne & Jones. The District is still working on additional bids for this project. He discussed the summer STEM camps through Scott Air Force Base. He informed the Board the Office of Civil Rights (OCR) data has been accepted but may be audited. He discussed the District's safety review and noted the District does have a safety plan. He informed the Board there is a student discipline case where the District is utilizing its attorney.

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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 April 19, 2022, (b) freedom of information requests – none; (c) enrollment report, (d) lunch report; (e) ESP report; (f) Treasurer report; (g) financial report, and (h) payment of bills. The bills were presented for approval and payment in the following amounts, (see itemized lists attached): Education Fund - \$117,062.13; O & M Fund - \$22,121.61; Debt Service Fund - \$1,477.22; Transportation Fund - \$71,219.67; Tort Fund - \$4,275.00; Fire & Safety Fund - \$0. Mr. Whipple moved to approve the consent agenda items. Mrs. Owens seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

The Board tabled approval of the FY2023 Student/Parent Handbook.

President Kunz recommended approving the FY2022 discipline improvement plan. Mrs. Miller moved to approve the FY2022 discipline improvement plan as presented. Mr. Whipple 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 8:39 P.M. under 5ILCS 120/2 (c.) (1) & (2) for the discussion of personnel employment and collective bargaining. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Owens, and Mr. Whipple. Nays none, motion carried.

Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Mr. Whipple moved that the Board of Education exit executive session at 9:04 P.M. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Mr. Whipple moved to approve Hiring Resolution 05172022 as presented. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Owens, Mr. Whipple, and Mrs. Kunz. Nays none, motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education at this time, Dr. Winfield moved that the meeting adjourn at 9:08 P.M. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Karen L. Kunz, President
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