

MINUTES OF THE AMENDED BUDGET HEARING AND  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
JUNE 20, 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, June 20, 2023.

President Kunz stated that the purpose of this meeting was to hold a public hearing for the amended 2022-2023 Belle Valley School District budget. President Kunz called the budget hearing to order. The roll was called and the following members were present: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Stover, Mr. Cole, and Mr. Kraus. Those absent: none.

Mrs. Holt gave the amended budget presentation and discussed changes compared to the original budget. President Kunz inquired if anyone had any comments or questions on the amended budget. There were no comments or questions on the amended budget.

President Kunz stated that the public hearing for the amended 2022-2023 Belle Valley School District budget was closed. Mr. Whipple moved to adjourn the public hearing at 7:04 P.M. Mr. Cole seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

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 7:05 P.M. on Tuesday, June 20, 2023.

President Kunz called the meeting to order. The roll was called and the following members were present: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Stover, Mr. Whipple, Mr. Cole, and Mr. Kraus. Those absent: none.

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

President Kunz recommended adopting the board agenda. Mrs. Miller moved to adopt the board agenda. Mrs. Stover seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

President Kunz recognized the visitors present for the meeting. There were no public comments.

The Board of Education acknowledged the thank-you note from Doug Sawyer for the memorial flowers and the thank-you note from Barb Brandmeyer for the retirement gift. Supt. Gale noted Mrs. Holt has been elected vice-president of the Mississippi Valley Association of School Business Officials.

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Principal Mrs. Kramper discussed the following: the District's summer school is in full swing with 80-110 students coming each day; BASSC is also having summer school in the District's building and utilizing 8 classrooms in B-wing; Lindsey Gallaher is joining Pride Team and Angela Wallace is joining PBIS; adding an Early Childhood class for 2023-2024 school year; preparing for beginning of school year (class rosters, master schedule, and paraprofessional placement); and conducting interviews for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher and elementary resource teacher.

Principal Dr. Grant discussed the following: revamping of the master schedule for staff and students; updating the website; and implementing the social emotional learning (SEL) plan.

Assistant Principal Mr. Musso discussed the presentation of former Belle Valley valedictorians.

Supt. Gale informed the Board of the following: "Triple I" conference in November; and concrete repairs needed this year – received a bid from Ehret of \$39,000. He provided the Board with a handout about the Summer Sack Lunch Program. He discussed legislation regarding children of employees (i.e. teachers) residing outside the school district to attend Belle Valley tuition free.

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 May 11, 2023 (b) freedom of information requests – Vince Espi from Prairie State Wire, (c) enrollment report, (d) lunch report, (e) ESP report, (f) Treasurer report, (g) financial report; and (h) payment 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 - \$467,435.41; O & M Fund - \$33,231.85; Debt Service Fund - \$2,294.32; Transportation Fund - \$122,016.79; IMRF/Social Security Fund - \$0; Working Cash Fund - \$0; Tort Fund - \$5,280.50; Fire & Safety Fund - \$0. Mr. Whipple moved to approve the consent agenda items. Mrs. Stover seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Stover, Mr. Cole, and Mr. Kraus. Nays none, motion carried.

President Kunz recommended approving the FY2024 Board of Education meeting dates. Mr. Whipple moved to approve the FY2024 meeting dates as presented. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

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President Kunz recommended approving the FY2023 amended budget. Mrs. Miller moved to approve the FY2023 amended budget as presented. Mr. Whipple seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Stover, Mr. Cole, Mr. Kraus, and Mrs. Kunz. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale discussed the first reading of IASB board policy changes from Issue 112 dated June 2023, those policies were read into the minutes.

Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Mr. Cole moved that the Board of Education enter into executive session at 8:03 P.M. under 5ILCS 120/2 (c.) (1) (2) (11) for the discussion of personnel employment, collective negotiations, and litigation. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Stover, Mr. Cole, Mr. Kraus, Mrs., and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Mrs. Stover moved that the Board of Education exit executive session at 8:53 P.M. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Mr. Whipple moved to approve resolution #06202023 to hire the necessary staff for the FY2023-2024 school year. Mrs. Stover seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Stover, Mr. Cole, Mr. Kraus, Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, and Mrs. Miller. Nays none, motion carried.

Mr. Whipple moved to approve the settlement agreement and release between Belle Valley School District and Kaniesha Bennett on behalf of student M.S. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Stover, Mr. Cole, Mr. Kraus, Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Miller, and Mr. Whipple. Nays none, motion carried.

Mr. Whipple moved to approve the three-year contract with the Service Employees International Union Local No. 116 as modified. Mrs. Stover seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Cole, Mr. Kraus, Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Whipple, and Mrs. Stover. 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 8:57 P.M. Mr. Cole seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

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Margaret M. Holt, Secretary  
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