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SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
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President Kunz stated that the purpose of this meeting was also to hold a public hearing for the 2019-2020 Belle Valley School District budget. President Kunz opened the hearing and called the hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. The roll was called and the following members were present: Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, and Mr. Radliff. Those absent: Mrs. Collins.

Mrs. McKay gave the budget presentation and discussed revenue and expenditures with additional positions. Mrs. McKay discussed local, state and federal revenue percentages and salaries and benefits comprising 80% of the Education Fund expenditures. Mrs. McKay discussed each fund's projected fund balance as of June 30, 2020. The District's budget has estimated conservative revenue with higher expenditures than expected. President Kunz inquired if anyone had any comments or questions on the budget. There were no comments or questions on the budget. President Kunz stated that the public hearing for the 2019-2020 Belle Valley School District budget was closed. Mr. Radliff moved to adjourn the public hearing. Dr. Winfield 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 following the public hearing on the budget on Tuesday, August 20, 2019.

President Kunz called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. The roll was called and the following members were present: Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, and Mr. Radliff. Those absent: Mrs. Collins. The Board of Education and others in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

President Kunz called for public comments from the audience. There were no public comments. Supt. Gale received a thank you from Marsha Lauko's family for her father's memorial.

Principal Callahan discussed transportation problem with a bus break down and another bus hit a parked car. The students on the two busses were not aware anything happened. Mrs. Callahan thanked the board members for approving a sixth section for a kindergarten classroom.

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The transportation pick up by parents has gone well. Assistant Principal Musso discussed a trinket of a pen, notepad and various supplies were given to teachers at the start of the school year. Door hanger treats were distributed to the staff in the first week of school. The cafeteria lunch schedules have changed with the middle school student eating earlier. The finger print check-out process has been slower with the new software program. The bus transportation has been going well. Dr. Leib discussed new banners for sports and valedictorians. She discussed the sixth grade physicals. They are working on getting that completed by the first day of school with an all call going out to parents.

Dr. Leib discussed a change in the schedule with more math minutes implemented per day. Mr. Strausbaugh and his wife wrote a grant for Lego robotics, which was a \$2,000 to \$3,000 grant.

Supt. Gale discussed the Teacher Ease and SDS software programs, which have been a big change for all involved. The anchor drilling for the solar array has been ongoing on the seven acres of land near the track. A backpack give away was held at the Belleville Township High School West for the area school students.

Supt. Gale discussed the following updates: the architect was contacted for the concrete bid regarding the buckled concrete replacement. The K&S general contractor was contacted too. ISBE sent a letter to the District requiring the use of IDEA funds for professional development and stated the requirement no longer applied. The Evidence Based Funding will be reviewing student achievement with a focus on how the District is spending the additional funding received from the State of Illinois. Supt. Gale stated that Mr. Grohmann purchased and replaced fire related items such as strobes rather than outsourcing the labor. Supt. Gale met with Mayor Eckert during a school meeting on August 5<sup>th</sup>. Supt. Gale stated that school board members get in free at BTHS 201 games.

President Kunz asked whether board members had any questions for the consent agenda items, which included: the minutes of the regular and executive meeting of the Board of Education on July 16, 2019; freedom of information requests - one, enrollment report, tax report, treasurer report, financial report, and payment of bills. The bills were presented for approval and payment in the following amounts, (see itemized lists attached): Ed. Fund \$85,374.31; O & M

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Fund \$37,967.29; Debt Service \$756,305.25; Transportation Fund \$9,967.68; and Tort Fund \$75.00. Mr. Radliff moved to approve the consent agenda items. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, and Mr. Warner. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale discussed the Consolidated District Plan for the Title I, Title II, Title IV, IDEA Flow Through, and IDEA Preschool federal grants. Supt. Gale stated the Board of Education needs to approve the Consolidated District Plan. Mr. Radliff moved to approve the Consolidated District Plan. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to approve the listed IASB recommended board policies read at the July 16, 2019 board meeting. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

President Kunz asked if anyone had any further questions regarding the budget. She recommended approving the budget for 2019-2020 school year. The budget for the 2019-2020 fiscal year which has been posted for more than thirty days, establishes: Educational Fund direct expenditures of \$9,919,023, and disbursements on behalf payments of \$3,500,000; O&M Fund direct expenditures of \$418,000; Debt Service Fund direct expenditures of \$2,050,200; Transportation Fund direct expenditures of \$601,100; IMRF Fund direct expenditures of \$397,250; Tort Fund direct expenditures of \$243,775; and Fire Prevention and Safety Fund direct expenditures of \$88,000. The budget contains an estimate of amounts available in each fund, separately, and of expenditures from each fund. Mr. Radliff moved to approve the 2019-2020 budget. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale recommended approving the deletion of executive session recordings that have been stored more than eighteen months. Dr. Winfield moved to delete the executive session tapes prior to January 2018. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Supt. Gale stated the board of education may vote to release executive session minutes or keep them permanently confidential. He stated due to the confidential nature of the executive session minutes and because they often refer to people by name, his recommendation is for the executive session minutes to remain closed. Mr. Radliff moved to keep the executive session

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minutes for the past six months closed. Mrs. Winn 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 8:01 p.m. under 5ILCS 120/2 (c.) (1) (34) for the discussion of personnel employment and TIF discussion. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, and Mrs. Winn. Nays none, motion carried.

At 8:37 p.m., board members exited executive session.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Debi Borello as fifth / sixth grade resource teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at M.S. step four. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, and Mrs. Kunz. Nays none, motion carried.

Mr. Radliff moved to employ Sarah Williams as a kindergarten teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at B.S. step five. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, and Mrs. Miller. Nays none, motion carried.

Mr. Radliff moved to employ Ryan Pierantoni as an elementary resource teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at B.S. step four. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, and Mr. Radliff. Nays none, motion carried.

Mrs. Winn moved to employ Heather Haare as a middle school transition teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at M.S. step eleven. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, and Mr. Warner. Nays none, motion carried.

Mr. Radliff moved to employ Corey Weber as an RtI aide for the fiscal year 2020 at the rate of \$17.69 per hour. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

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Mrs. Winn moved to employ Ashley Whitelow as a special education teacher aide for the fiscal year 2020 at the rate of \$17.69 per hour. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, and Mrs. Winn. Nays none, motion carried.

Mrs. Winn moved to employ Marisela Luna as the Learning Center teacher aide for the fiscal year 2020 at the rate of \$18.76 per hour. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, and Mrs. Kunz. Nays none, motion carried.

Mr. Radliff moved to employ Lea Wallace as a teacher aide for the fiscal year 2020 at the rate of \$17.69 per hour. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, and Mrs. Miller. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Yvonne LaRosa as a teacher aide for the fiscal year 2020 at the rate of \$17.69 per hour. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, and Mr. Radliff. Nays none, motion carried.

Mr. Radliff moved to employ Tirzah Dawson as a library aide for the fiscal year 2020 at the rate of \$17.69 per hour with a range of hours between 27 to 35 hours. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, and Mr. Warner. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Todd Seibert as a PE aide for the fiscal year 2020 at the rate of \$17.69 per hour. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

Mr. Radliff moved to employ Mallori Roberts as a track coach for the fiscal year 2020 at the approved CBA stipend amount. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, and Mrs. Winn. Nays none, motion carried.

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Mr. Radliff moved to employ Cynthia Whorley as an extended school program employee for the fiscal year 2020 at the rate of \$11.80 per hour. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, and Mrs. Kunz. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale and the Principals discussed the open house traffic congestions and ideas to resolve the insufficient parking. A staggered schedule for open house was suggested.

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

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Karen Kunz, President  
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