

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS
DECEMBER 14, 2021

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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, December 14, 2021.

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, Mr. Radliff, 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. Radliff moved to adopt the board agenda. Dr. Winfield 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 OPAA's monthly food service report.

The Principals had nothing to report.

Supt. Gale informed the Board of the upcoming Holiday Breakfast. He informed the Board of students moving into the District with special needs which may result in the need for additional paraprofessionals. He provided the Board with a law update from Guin Mudorf LLC regarding the Illinois Health Care Right of Conscience Act. He provided the Board with an update on the City of Belleville TIF District #3 Extension Ordinance. He discussed the mini-compliance visit performed by the Regional Office of Education. He discussed the annual grant from Illinois Public Risk Fund. The District received approximately \$6,300 this year and expects to receive approximately the same amount for the next two (2) years. He is looking into purchasing a Kubota for the custodians with this funding. He informed the Board the District will enter into a lease agreement for six (6) copiers/printers to be placed in strategic areas of the school for the teachers to use. These copiers/printers are to replace the printers currently in each teacher's classroom. The District is having difficulty finding ink cartridges for the current printers, the cost for the cartridges is increasing (total annual cost is approximately \$20,000 per year), and the printers are becoming obsolete. He informed the Board that the District will be posting the opening for the elementary school principal position in January.

President Kunz asked Mrs. Holt, Business Manager, to present the audited Annual Financial Report for the 2020-2021 school year.

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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 November 16, 2021, (b) freedom of information requests – none; (c) enrollment report, (d) lunch report; (e) ESP report; (f) tax report; (g) Treasurer report; (h) financial report, and (i) payment of bills. The bills were presented for approval and payment in the following amounts, (see itemized lists attached): Education Fund - \$301,557.75; O & M Fund - \$33,186.12; Debt Service Fund - \$1,058.60; Transportation Fund - \$53,599.64; Tort Fund - \$4,277.00; Fire & Safety Fund - \$0. Mr. Radliff moved to approve the consent agenda items. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, and Mr. Whipple. Nays none, motion carried.

President Kunz asked if anyone had any questions for the tax levy to be assessed in calendar year 2021, collected by St. Clair County and distributed to the District in FY2023. The tax levy must be approved by the Board of Education and a certificate must be filed with the county clerk prior to the last Tuesday in December. The levy presented resulted in a 3.36% increase including the Debt Service Fund. The tax levy was presented in the following amounts: Education Fund \$2,029,000; O & M Fund \$359,000; Transportation Fund \$125,000; Working Cash Fund \$52,000; Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund \$105,000; Social Security Fund \$180,000; Fire Prevention and Safety Fund \$80,000; Tort Immunity Fund \$176,500; Special Education Levy \$23,000; Lease Levy \$52,000; and Debt Service Fund \$2,079,6211.24. Mr. Radliff moved to approve the tax levy assessed in calendar year 2021 and distributed to the District in FY2023 as presented by Supt. Gale. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Whipple, and Mrs. Kunz. Nays none, motion carried.

President Kunz recommended approving the IASB recommended board policies and updates read during the November 16, 2021 board meeting. Mr. Whipple moved to approve the IASB recommended board policies and updates as presented. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Kunz, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Mrs. Miller moved that the Board of Education enter into executive session at 7:30 P.M. under 5ILCS 120/2 (c.) (1) (11) for the discussion of personnel, employment, and litigation. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion.

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Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Kunz, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Dr. Winfield moved that the Board of Education exit executive session at 7:54 P.M. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Mr. Radliff moved to hire Destiny Bohanna as a noon supervisor for the remainder of the FY2022 school year at the CBA rate of \$12.97 per hour. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, and Mrs. Winn. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to hire Stephen Ward and Adam Dwiggin as full-time custodians for the remainder of FY2022 school year at the CBA rate of \$31,823 per year. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Radliff, Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, and Mrs. Miller. Nays none, motion carried.

Mr. Radliff moved to hire Hunter-Elise Rooks as a paraprofessional for the remainder of FY2022 school year at the CBA rate of \$19.04 per hour. Mr. Whipple seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Whipple, Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Miller, and Mr. Radliff. Nays none, motion carried.

President Kunz recommended approving the 2020-2021 audited Annual Financial Report as presented. Dr. Winfield moved to approve the 2020-2021 audited Annual Financial Report. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, and Mr. Whipple. Nays none, motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education at this time, Mrs. Miller moved that the meeting adjourn at 7:59 P.M. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Karen L. Kunz, President
Board of Education
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