

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS
JANUARY 21, 2020

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, January 21, 2020.

President Kunz called the meeting to order. The roll was called and the following members were present: Mrs. Miller, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, and Mrs. Kunz. Those absent: Mr. Radliff.

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

President Kunz recognized visitors.

Supt. Gale received a holiday card from Novel Energy and thank you card from Violence Prevention Center. Supt. Gale stated the District was awarded a State Library Grant for \$750 as supplementary support for the library media program.

Alicia Augustine and Mallori Roberts discussed the need for a storage building for track equipment. The storage on the backside of the outdoor concession building is crowded with track, soccer, and baseball equipment and supplies. The high jump mats are costly and are getting worn due to dragging the mats up and down the hill. The hurdles cost \$120 each and a track meet needs eighty hurdles. Student safety is number one reason for the building. Students and track coaches have to move a lot of equipment for a track meet. There is a lot of equipment jammed into the current building and the students have to climb over the equipment to reach what is needed for a track meet. Four estimates were obtained for a 16' by 40' building with a firm wooden floor, metal sides and roof. The bids were as follows: \$10,640, \$10,601, and \$13,300. Mrs. Augustine would like to have electric service installed into the building with a speaker system and outdoor lighting. Board members were in favor of the storage building.

Principal Callahan discussed the elementary PBIS refresher on January 6 with a PBIS reward party on January 10 with jump units. Students who exceeded the 75% goal for good behavior were allowed to spend an hour in the jump units with their teachers and aides. Principal Callahan discussed Mrs. Childress' accident with broken leg bones on Jan. 11, 2020.

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She may be out of teaching for six weeks. Principal Callahan stated volleyball tryouts were held and the snow days have made it hard to get those practices in. The first volleyball game will be held January 25 for girls and February 1 for boys. Bowling tryouts were held January 15. Spelling Bee was held January 10, and Peter Liu went the furthest in the competition. Scholar Bowl tryouts were held before Christmas, and the first match was January 8. The limo fundraiser reward has been rescheduled twice now due to the snow days. The limo fundraiser reward has been rescheduled for January 30.

Supt. Gale discussed the snow day calls and use of Intellicast, which has the best information at hand for current weather conditions. The Bomber Blast was sent out to all community residents. The BTHS #201 calendar for 2020-2021 school year was included in the board packet for information only. Board members briefly discussed the Belle Valley's calendar for the coming school year. Principal Callahan and Principal Leib discussed their monthly meetings with the teachers on early release days – second Wednesday of the month. Elementary and Middle school teachers cannot meet at the same time due to different start and end times. Supt. Gale discussed the full compliance visit with many components completed online. Supt. Gale spent two weeks preparing for the compliance visit. Assistant Principal Musso discussed a loud pop near his office. Steve Raskin, architect, stated the pop was due to a expansion joint. Supt. Gale stated the District received \$250 in rewards on the new credit cards with FCB Bank. Supt. Gale discussed the Ameren solar array beginning soon. The St. Clair County Regional Office of Education requires a building permit for the solar panels, which were obtained through a grant. Supt. Gale discussed a Jarvis Electric light bid to replace seventeen existing fluorescent wall packs over doors with seventeen new 45 watt LED full cut off wall packs for \$2,475. Other lights have been replaced throughout the school with an Ameren grant.

President Kunz asked whether board members had any questions for the consent agenda items, which included: the minutes of the regular, special and executive meeting of the Board of Education on December 17, 2019; two freedom of information requests, enrollment report, lunch report, ESP report, the treasurer's report, financial report, tax report, and payment of bills. The bills were presented for approval and payment in the following amounts, (see itemized lists attached): Ed. Fund \$44,200.86; O & M Fund \$34,088.61; Transportation Fund \$37,224.78; Tort

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Fund \$211.00; Fire & Safety Fund \$2,000.00. Mrs. Collins moved to approve the consent agenda items. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, and Mrs. Kunz. Nays none, motion carried.

Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Mrs. Miller moved that the Board of Education enter into executive session at 8:03 p.m. under 5ILCS 120/2 (c.) (1) (2) for the discussion of personnel, employment, and collective bargaining. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, and Mrs. Miller. Nays none, motion carried.

At 8:30 p.m., board members exited executive session.

Mrs. Miller moved to employ Roshanda Peppers as a RtI resource assistant / teacher aide at \$17.69 per hour to assist the newly created middle school resource teacher. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, and Mr. Warner. Nays none, motion carried.

Mrs. Miller moved to employ David Franklin as an elementary RtI teacher aide at \$17.69 per hour. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Warner, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

Mrs. Miller moved to employ Corey Weber as an elementary transition teacher at B.S. step 1. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, and Mrs. Winn. Nays none, motion carried.

Mrs. Miller moved to employ Marisela Luna as an elementary transition teacher at B.S. step 1. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, and Mrs. Collins. Nays none, motion carried.

Mrs. Miller moved to employ Joshua Strausbaugh as a PBIS team member with the PBIS stipend. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, and Mrs. Kunz. Nays none, motion carried.

Mrs. Miller moved to employ Barbara McIntyre as a Learning Center assistant position at \$18.76 rate per hour. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr.

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Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, and Mrs. Miller. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale discussed the storage building with electric for the track equipment. He will obtain more information for the electric service.

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

Karen L. Kunz, President
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