

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
JULY 16, 2019

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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, July 16, 2019.

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

Vice President Collins recommended adopting the board agenda. Mrs. Miller moved to adopt the board agenda. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Vice President Collins called for public comments from the audience. Mr. Doug Sawyer, Technology Director, discussed replacing the server, which was installed in November 2011 with the new school building. The Identimetrix backup will need to be redone due to the backup server failure. He discussed the six hundred computer capacity with 150 users. DakTech, Inc. gives a seven year warranty for parts and labor. Mr. Sawyer had requested bids from three vendors. The proposed price for a server and warranty for seven years from Dell was \$10,239.30; Computype was \$10,483.36; and DakTech was \$11,887.36. Mr. Sawyer has been very pleased with the service from DakTech. Mrs. Miller recommended the DakTech bid due to the small difference in the bid due to the reliability and service of the vendor.

Supt. Gale received a thank you from Hope Church for the use of the school's cafeteria and gym this past school year. The Illinois State Board of Education School Nutrition Program Resource Management reviewed the nutrition program and found the District to be in compliance.

Mrs. McKay discussed the tentative district budget for the 2019-2020 school year.

Supt. Gale stated the summer camps have been well attended and were going well. The quad school summer camps were funded by the Scott Air Force Base grant. Supt. Gale updated the board on the status of the solar array panels to be installed on the seven acre plot of ground east of the track and soccer field. Ameren representatives met with Supt. Gale. They said the savings will be great with solar panels. Supt. Gale stated the Belleville Transportation costs will

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remain the same for fiscal year 2020. Supt. Gale congratulated Mrs. Winn on completing Leadership Training and Open Meetings Act Training as a new board member.

Vice President Collins 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 June 18, 2019; freedom of information requests - none, lunch report, the 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 \$39,718.41; O & M Fund \$28,445.08; Debt Service \$00; Transportation Fund \$00; and Tort Fund \$1,309.50. Mrs. Miller asked a question about the weather station expense. Supt. Gale responded the stations were used by students in the classrooms. Dr. Winfield moved to approve the consent agenda items. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, and Mrs. Miller. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale discussed an updated custodial job description, which includes work in the cafeteria. Mrs. Miller moved to approve the updated custodial job description as presented. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Upon the recommendation of Vice President Collins, Dr. Winfield moved that the Board of Education enter into executive session at 7:25 p.m. under 5ILCS 120/2 (c.) (1) for the discussion of personnel employment. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Miller, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

At 7:59 p.m., board members exited executive session.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Olivia Ford as an early childhood teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at B.S. step one. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Miller, Dr. Winfield, and Mrs. Winn. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Emily Argo as a first grade teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at B.S. step one. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, and Mrs. Collins. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Melissa Calcara as a library/specials teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at B.S. step one. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, and Mrs. Miller. Nays none, motion carried.

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Dr. Winfield moved to employ Jackie Weiersmueller as a middle school physical education teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at B.S. step four. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Miller, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Alison McDaniel as a fifth grade teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at B.S. step one. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Miller, Dr. Winfield, and Mrs. Winn. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Lisa Kowalski as a math coach for fiscal year 2020 at her current union pay scale. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, and Mrs. Collins. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Kara Freimuth as the 6-8 grade boy's baseball coach for the fiscal year 2020 at the CBA stipend amount. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, and Mrs. Miller. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Christine Kaiping as girl's softball coach for the fiscal year 2020 at the CBA stipend amount. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Miller, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Jamie Volkmar as special education teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at B.S. step six. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Miller, Dr. Winfield, and Mrs. Winn. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Chelsey Johnson as fifth grade teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at B.S. step one. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, and Mrs. Collins. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Winfield moved to employ Michelle Ruppel as fifth grade teacher for the fiscal year 2020 at B.S. step four. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, and Mrs. Miller. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale recommended the dismissal of Gregory Morgan. Dr. Winfield moved to dismiss Gregory Morgan as a full time custodian. Mrs. Winn seconded the motion. Members

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voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Miller, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale discussed the first reading of board policy changes as recommended by IASB policy service. Supt. Gale discussed a tax abatement in the Orchard's subdivision. Supt. Gale discussed a concrete replacement bid and a Health Life Safety amendment in order to pay for the repair from the Fire and Safety Fund.

Principal Callahan discussed trauma training for \$1,750 for the entire teaching staff, which consisted of fifty hours of online videos, twelve self-paced online courses, and twelve subscriptions. Supt. Gale stated the total could be paid by IDEA funds.

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

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