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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
AUGUST 18, 2020

The Board of Education of District No. 119, St. Clair County, Illinois, met in the library, Belle Valley School District, 2465 Amann Drive, Belleville, Illinois, in said District at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

President Kunz called the meeting to order. The roll was called and the following members were present: Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, and Mr. Radliff. Those absent: none. 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. Mrs. Johnson read a statement regarding not receiving credit of private school experience on last year's contract. She stated that another teacher received private school experience credit last year, but she had not received credit. She thanked all the board members and Supt. Gale for all their time spent on her request.

Mrs. Amy Shreve stated as a parent of two students she had concerns for remote learning. She discussed the teacher safety and plans for providing flexibility for teachers for their working hours.

Supt. Gale stated the District received a \$1,000 check from Ameren for the gas pipeline easement. Supt. Gale received thank you cards from Mrs. Horton for her retirement gift and Mrs. Gully for the memorial gift on the loss of her father.

Principal Callahan and Principal Leib discussed a teacher's remote learning web page and how will teach students remotely. Ms. Maul shared her screen via the Google tab and waffled to her Google classroom. Her Team Maul classwork has various topics, Tuesday check in, social-emotional check in with the students. She has a read aloud on google read along and discussion and chat online. The reading tab link to the google form is used to complete the assignment via the exit ticket. The students complete the form and receive their grade right away.

Mrs. Jackson-Taylor teaches grade five through eight students in a self-contained classroom. She demonstrated how she presents instruction to her students via paper and online

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via Google classroom. Her emoji classroom is fun. She has a daily student check in and say how they are doing. Mrs. Jackson-Taylor uses Google Meet for lunch orders and assignments. Homework assignments will include paper homework and google assignments, which include math and social studies.

Principal Leib stated the two teachers classrooms are a sample of what students will see each day for remote learning. Principal Callahan thanked Mrs. Kelley for the google instruction for teachers this summer and the remote planning days. Principal Leib discussed students logging in and completing homework on time for the new school year. The Principals want the students to take school seriously. Principal Leib stated truancy will be handled on a case by case basis. Currently, the District has eighty eight unregistered students compared to last year. Eighty percent of the parents have registered their children online during the summer.

Supt. Gale discussed the solar array update with the City of Belleville. The Novel Energy representative is talking about the water drainage with the City of Belleville's engineer. Supt. Gale discussed the concrete bid received from Ehret. The two bids were close for the repair of the sidewalks and curbing. The Yarber property in the rear of the Belle Valley property was terraced to repair a ravine from water runoff. Mr. Yarber requested the removal of a tree and brush line between the two properties. Supt. Gale felt the removal of the brush line would cause more water runoff and erosion and did not agree to the removal of the brush line. Another section of concrete has heaved and caused more concrete breaks. The concrete pillars are leaning and the parking lot needs more expansion joints.

Supt. Gale stated area superintendents agreed to remote learning through September 11<sup>th</sup>. If the positivity rate decreases, in person learning will resume sometime after September 11<sup>th</sup>. Supt. Gale discussed the hybrid plan, which was included in the remote learning plan. There was fifty percent of the parents who wanted remote learning rather than in person learning.

Dr. Winfield asked about special education students for in person learning. Ms. Boose discussed bringing back small groups of students to school after Labor Day. The administrators and teachers will discuss the process for instruction for the students. Mrs. Shreve suggested giving teachers more flexibility to work from home.

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President Kunz asked if 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 21, 2020 and August 10, 2020; freedom of information requests - one, the tax report, the treasurer's 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 \$97,870.78; O & M Fund \$18,391.23; Debt Service \$753,459.57; Transportation Fund \$0; and Tort Fund \$0. Mr. Radliff moved to approve the consent agenda items. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, and Mr. Radliff. Nays: none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale discussed the Consolidated District Plan, which is an ESSA requirement for grants such as Title I. Mr. Radliff moved to approve the Consolidated District Plan as presented. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Supt. Gale stated these are the IASB recommended board policy changes presented at the July board meeting. Mr. Warner moved to approve the listed IASB recommended board policies read at the July 21 board meeting. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Mr. Warner moved to delete the executive session tapes prior to January of 2019. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Mr. Warner moved to keep the executive session minutes for the past six months closed. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Mr. Warner moved that the Board of Education enter into executive session at 7:56 p.m. under 5ILCS 120/2 (c.) (1) for the discussion of employment. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, and Mr. Warner. Nays: none, motion carried.

Mr. Radliff left the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

At 9:29 p.m., Mrs. Miller moved to come out of executive session. Mr. Warner seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried. Board members exited executive session.

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Dr. Winfield moved to employ Emily Eubanks as a kindergarten teacher for the FY 2021 at BS, Step 1 - \$38,432. 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.

Mr. Warner moved to approve the Ehret concrete bid up to \$33,850. Mrs. Miller 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.

Mr. Warner moved to approve Chelsey Johnson to BS, step five for the FY 2021 and pay her back pay for the difference in pay for the three years of experience. Mrs. Collins 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.

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

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