

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
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The Board of Education of District No. 119, St. Clair County, Illinois, met in a conference room, Belle Valley School District 119, 2465 Amann Drive, Belleville, Illinois, in said District at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

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

Mrs. McKay discussed the budget summary of each fund and the estimated revenues, expenses, and ending fund balances. She discussed the budget bill in Springfield, past enrollment and number of classrooms, revenue sources, operating funds, salaries and benefits, estimated deficits and estimated surplus for the 2017-2018 school year. Mrs. McKay asked for any questions or comments on the budget.

President Kunz asked for any questions or comments on the 2017-2018 District budget. There were no questions. President Kunz recommended closing the budget hearing at 7:15 p.m. Mr. Radliff moved to close the public budget hearing. Mr. Warner seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

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

The Board of Education and others in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance.

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

Mrs. Krystina Kelley presented a report on the Belle Valley pop up library for a free book distribution to eleven to twelve students at three different locations in the Belle Valley District in the summer. Previously, there were book distributions last December and another in the spring. Mrs. Kelley hopes to continue to use the van for community development.

Mrs. Sandy Martin, technology teacher, discussed forming an afterschool photography club with middle school students. Students show their creativity in photography. The website could feature the photos that students take. Mrs. Martin proposed having the club meet nine

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months over the school year. Currently, students can take three photography courses in high school. Mrs. Martin would like the students involved in photography competition. She discussed receiving a stipend for her time and another adult for the after school supervision. Board members asked Mrs. Martin to give the Board of Education an outline of photography club and present it the following month. Mrs. Martin will provide a summary of photography club next month.

President Kunz welcomed visitors and staff in attendance and asked for any public comments or questions. There were no public comments or questions.

Principal Callahan discussed new employees and new positions for PBIS – rally for students and rules to follow during the first week of school. Principal Callahan discussed AIMS web testing, RtI testing, and PARRC scores for students. The eclipse activities went well and the students were excited and had very high energy during the eclipse. Bus transportation has gone well and only one student fell asleep on the bus.

Principal Leib reported that middle school is testing for math and reading comprehension. Teachers are reviewing what standards of each course needs attention with Aims Web and interventions with RtI teacher aides providing additional instruction. Middle School enrollment classes have increased Mr. Gleadle was moved to grade five. Some sections of the high math and high reading have nineteen student count classrooms. The District held an AED and Epi pen training this summer. Coaches and nurses were trained. Girls on the Run coaches were CPR trained this summer too. Dr. Leib rode the bus home with students during the first day of school. The PBIS team made great changes to the PBIS program for the expected behavior of students. Behavior and academic ratings point out at risk students. The PBIS teachers will meet once a month to address various behavior issues.

Mr. Michael Kelly, Assistant Principal, discussed getting acclimated with the students. The Belle Valley staff has been very welcoming. The PBIS bootcamp, intruder drill, tornado and fire drills went well. During the fire drill the students exited the building in two minutes. Mr. Kelly rode Bus G to remedy bus issues. Mr. Kelly met with the bus drivers and attended training at Belleville East for bus videos. Mr. Kelly is getting to know the students and has no real issues with the students. He has visited classrooms regarding character education and dress code issues with appropriate dress codes.

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Supt. R.Dane Gale reported that Belle Valley has a good team and students are good too. The summer Aviation Camp culminated with airplane rides on Saturday and a visit to the tower at CPS. The students used flight simulators during the week to prepare them for the airplane rides. Supt. Gale attended a Belleville Chamber of Commerce meeting with Scott Air Force Base Outreach. Parents came to school for the eclipse and joined in the activities with their children for the afternoon. The eighth grade science classroom has burners that have been lit for the first time, and the teacher went over safety issues in the science classroom. The Earth to Sky launch at SIU-C did not go as well as planned. The Earth to Sky Go Pro landed in a tree and a local fire department helped in the retrieval of the package.

President Kunz asked if any board members had any questions for the consent agenda items, which included the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education on July 18, 2017, the executive session meeting minutes of the Board of Education on July 18, 2017, the student enrollment report, tax report, the treasurer's report, the financial report, and board bills. Mr. Warner moved to approve the consent agenda items. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winfield, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, and Mr. Warner. Nays none, motion carried.

President Kunz asked if anyone had any further question on the 2017-2018 Belle Valley budget. Mrs. Kunz recommended approving the budget for 2017-2018 school year. The budget for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, which has been posted for more than thirty days, establishes: Educational Fund direct expenditures of \$8,899,269, disbursements on behalf payments of \$3,500,000; O & M Fund direct expenditures of \$458,000; Debt Service Fund direct expenditures of \$2,362,635; Transportation Fund direct expenditures of \$525,800; IMRF Fund direct expenditures of \$349,500; Working Cash Fund direct expenditures of \$.00; Tort Fund direct expenditures of \$194,200; and Fire Prevention and Safety Fund direct expenditures of \$.00. The budget contains an estimate of amounts available in each fund, separately, and of expenditures from each fund. Mr. Radliff moved to approve the 2017-2018 budget. Mr. Warner seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winfield, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, and Mr. Warner. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale discussed deleting the executive session recordings prior to January 2016. Board members would have to have a cause or a judge would have to review the recordings.

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President Kunz recommended deleting the executive session recordings prior to January 2016. Mr. Radliff moved to approve the motion of deleting the executive session recordings prior to January 2016. Mr. Winfield seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Supt. Gale discussed board policies with footnote and minor corrections with nothing substantial. The policies will be presented for approval at the next regular board meeting.

Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Mr. Radliff moved that the Board of Education go into closed executive session at 8:22 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel under 5ILCS 120/2 (c.) (1). Mr. Warner seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winfield, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff and Mr. Warner. Nays: none, motion carried.

At 8:36 p.m., board members exited executive session.

Mr. Warner moved to employ Aaryn Jade Rongey as a third grade teacher with a B.S. degree step 1, \$36,074 for the 2017-2018 school year. Mrs. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winfield, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff and Mr. Warner. Nays: none, motion carried.

Mr. Warner moved to employ Kathy Childress as a fourth grade teacher with a M.S. degree step 6, \$40,816 for the 2017-2018 school year. Mrs. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winfield, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff and Mr. Warner. Nays: none, motion carried.

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Mr. Warner moved to employ Theresa Moore as a noon supervisor at the rate of \$11.19 per hour for the 2017-2018 school year. Mrs. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winfield, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff and Mr. Warner. Nays: none, motion carried.

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Mr. Warner moved to employ Natisha Joseph as a noon supervisor at the rate of \$11.19 per hour for the 2017-2018 school year. Mrs. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winfield, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff and Mr. Warner. Nays: none, motion carried.

Mr. Warner moved to employ Bruce Cornwall as a noon supervisor at the rate of \$11.19 per hour for the 2017-2018 school year. Mrs. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winfield, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff and Mr. Warner. Nays: none, motion carried.

Mr. Warner moved to employ Irene Amaya as a noon supervisor at the rate of \$11.19 per hour for the 2017-2018 school year. Mrs. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Winfield, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff and Mr. Warner. Nays: none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale discussed concrete repairs in various areas around the school. Supt. Gale discussed a different attorney for the District with a change to Tooth, Keeney Attorneys at Law firm, who charge only \$50 per month as a retainer fee. The District could save \$200 per month or \$2,400 annually. Supt. Gale discussed the Southwestern Division IASB dinner on October 4 and asked if any board members would like to attend the dinner meeting in Columbia.

President Kunz reported that Jamie Keys resigned as the chorus director.

Board members discussed the intersection of Green Mount Road and Amann Drive. The surface has a lot of loose gravel. Supt. Gale spoke with Belleville Mayor Eckert about resurfacing the intersection with concrete and a possible light. Mayor Eckert will look into resurfacing the intersection with concrete.

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

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Karen L. Kunz, President  
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