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OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
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President Kunz stated that the purpose of this meeting was also to hold a public hearing for the proposed transfer of \$800,000 in funds from the Education Fund to the Operation and Maintenance Fund and then transfer the \$800,000 funds from the Operation and Maintenance Fund to the Debt Service Fund. President Kunz opened the hearing and called the hearing to order at 8:00 p.m. The roll was called and the following members were present: Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mr. Bernal, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, and Mrs. Miller. Those absent: none. Mrs. McKay explained proposed transfer of \$800,000 in funds from the Education Fund to the Operation and Maintenance Fund and to then transfer the \$800,000 funds from the Operation and Maintenance Fund to the Debt Service Fund to help pay a portion of the 2009A Build America Bond balance. President Kunz asked if anyone had any questions. There were no questions. President Kunz recommended closing the public hearing. Mr. Warner moved to adjourn the public hearing. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

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 8:05 P.M. on Tuesday, December 18, 2018.

President Kunz called the meeting to order. The roll was called and the following members were present: Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mr. Bernal, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, and Mrs. Miller. Those absent: none.

The following members were allowed by a majority of the members of the Board of Education in accordance with and to the extent allowed by rules adopted by the Board of Education to attend the meeting by video or audio conference: none.

No member was not permitted to attend the meeting by video or audio conference.

The following members were absent and did not participate in the meeting in any manner or to any extent whatsoever: none.

The Board of Education and others in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

President Kunz called for public comments from the audience. Mrs. Simonson, parent of two Belle Valley students, discussed the dress code. Her fourth grade daughter was told her clothing did not meet the dress code. The parent stated that tight clothing is in many stores in the area. The parent has spoken with the teacher and the administration regarding appropriate dress. President Kunz thanked the parent for her concern regarding the dress code. Mrs. Collins discussed the length a dress or shirt worn with leggings or jeggings. Mrs. Callahan discussed the hand book, which states that students who wear leggings or jeggings should wear dresses or shirts to mid-thigh length. Supt. Gale stated the hand book addresses the dress code for students. Board members discussed the dress code policy in the handbook.

Supt. Gale received correspondence from the American Red Cross, Regions Bank, Girls on the Run, and OPPA newsletter. Supt. Gale discussed the successful launch of a balloon from Belle Valley School District. The launch landed in Wabash County, IL, which was a two and one half hour drive from the school. The students will analyze the data from the launch in the coming weeks.

Mrs. Callahan discussed the two music concerts for the past two evenings. Mrs. Bennett stepped up and led the chorus, grades three and four, and grades five and six band, while Mrs. Haas was out. Mr. Kelly directed the seventh and eighth grade band students. A teacher institute day is planned after the holidays. Mrs. Callahan reported the Siteman Cancer fundraiser raised over \$2,400.

Supt. Gale discussed the Bomber's Blast newsletter was going out over the holidays and Royel Catering provided a holiday breakfast for the staff on December 14.

Supt. Gale completed the Property Tax Relief Grant application for \$620,417. He further stated that many districts have applied for this grant, and the amount received will probably be considerable less. Supt. Gale discussed the solar array update. The solar lottery process depends upon how many schools apply for it. Supt. Gale stated the attorneys asked for a dismissal on the lawsuit, and the judge ordered a continuance to review case law.

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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 November 20, 2018; one freedom of information request, enrollment report, lunch report, ESP 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 \$179,693.10; O & M Fund \$37,371.95; Transportation Fund \$44,357.26; Tort Fund \$11,009.00. Mr. Radliff moved to approve the consent agenda items. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mr. Bernal, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, and Mr. Radliff. Nays none, motion carried.

President Kunz asked if anyone had any questions for the tax levy assessed in calendar year 2018 and collected in FY2019 and FY2020. Mrs. McKay discussed information concerning the proposed 2018 tax levy. A projected increase of 3% in the equalized assessed valuation and the correlating tax rates were discussed. 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 tentative proposed tax levy was presented in the following amounts: Education Fund \$1,871,787.00; O & M Fund \$329,209.00; Transportation Fund \$112,872.00; Working Cash Fund \$47,030.00; Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund \$142,000.00; Social Security Fund \$182,000.00; Tort Immunity Fund \$212,000.00; Special Education Fund \$18,812.00; and Lease Levy \$47,030.00. Mr. Warner moved to approve the tax levy assessed in calendar year 2018 and collected in FY2019 and FY2020 as presented by Mrs. McKay in November. Mr. Radliff seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Winfield, Mr. Bernal, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, and Mr. Warner. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale discussed the recommended IASB board policies that were read into the minutes at the November board meeting. Mrs. Collins moved to approve the IASB board policies as presented during the November board meeting. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

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The President announced that the Board of Education would consider the adoption of a resolution (a) directing the transfer of \$800,000 (the "*Transfer Amount*") from the Educational Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund (the "*Ed Fund Transfer*") of the District and, (b) following the Ed Fund Transfer, directing the transfer of the Transfer Amount from the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the School Bond and Interest Fund of 2009 to pay debt service on the Taxable General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2009A.

Whereupon Member Mr. Radliff presented and the Secretary read by title a resolution as follows, a copy of which was provided to each member of the Board of Education prior to said meeting and to everyone in attendance at said meeting who requested a copy:

RESOLUTION directing the transfer of \$800,000 (a) from the Educational Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund and then (b) from the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the School Bond and Interest Fund of 2009 of School District Number 119, St. Clair County, Illinois.

* * *

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of Section 17-2A of the School Code of the State of Illinois, as amended (the “Code”), the Board of Education (the “Board”) of School District Number 119, St. Clair County, Illinois (the “District”), is authorized to transfer money from (1) the Educational Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund or the Transportation Fund, (2) the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the Educational Fund or the Transportation Fund, or (3) the Transportation Fund to the Educational Fund or the Operations and Maintenance Fund of the District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of said Section 17-2A, the President of the Board, on the 1st day of December, 2018, executed an Order calling a public hearing (the “Hearing”) for the 18th day of December, 2018, concerning the intent of the Board to transfer \$800,000 (the “Transfer Amount”) from the Educational Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund of the District (the “Ed Fund Transfer”); and

WHEREAS, notice of the Hearing was given (i) by publication at least once not less than seven (7) nor more than thirty (30) days before the date of the Hearing in the *News-Democrat*, the same being a newspaper of general circulation in the District, and (ii) by posting at least 96 hours before the Hearing a copy of said notice at the principal office of the Board, which notice was continuously available for public review during the entire 96-hour period preceding the Hearing; and

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WHEREAS, the Hearing was held on the 18th day of December, 2018, and at the Hearing, the Board explained the reasons for the proposed Ed Fund Transfer and permitted persons desiring to be heard an opportunity to present written or oral testimony within reasonable time limits; and

WHEREAS, the Hearing was finally adjourned on the 18th day of December, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined and does hereby determine that it is necessary and in the best interests of the District that the School Treasurer of the District transfer the Transfer Amount from the Educational Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board by resolution adopted on the 4th day of August, 2009 (the "*Resolution*"), did provide for the issue of \$23,880,000 Taxable General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2009A (the "*Bonds*"), and the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined and does hereby determine that following the Ed Fund Transfer, it is necessary and in the best interests of the District to transfer the Transfer Amount from the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the District's School Bond and Interest Fund of 2009 (the "*Bond Fund*") established pursuant to Section 10 the Resolution for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Bonds and to authorize the abatement of taxes heretofore levied to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds:

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It and It Is Hereby Resolved by the Board of Education of School District Number 119, St. Clair County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Incorporation of Preambles. The Board hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Resolution are full, true and correct and does incorporate them into this Resolution by this reference.

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Section 2. Transfer. The School Treasurer of the District is hereby directed to forthwith (a) permanently transfer the Transfer Amount from the Educational Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund of the District and (b) following such Ed Fund Transfer, transfer the Transfer Amount from the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the Bond Fund. It is hereby found and determined that the Transfer Amount, when added to the Operations and Maintenance Fund of the District and regardless of any subsequent transfers of the Transfer Amount, will not result in an excess accumulation of assets in the Operations and Maintenance Fund.

Section 3. Certificate of Reduction of Taxes. The President and Secretary of the Board and the School Treasurer of the District be and the same are hereby directed to prepare and file with the County Clerk of the County of St. Clair a Certificate of Reduction of Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Payment of Bonds showing the principal of and interest on the Bonds being paid and directing the abatement of the taxes heretofore levied to pay such Bonds, all as provided by Section 19-23 of the Code.

Section 4. Outstanding Loans. If necessary to effectuate the permanent Ed Fund Transfer, outstanding loans from the Educational Fund to any other funds of the District in an amount, together with any cash immediately transferred pursuant to Section 2 above, equal in the aggregate to the Transfer Amount shall be paid to the Educational Fund of the District, and any remaining outstanding loans shall be paid to the Educational Fund at the time and in the manner required by the Code.

Section 5. Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or

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unenforceability of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

Section 6. Repealer and Effective Date. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed and that this Resolution shall be in full force and effect forthwith upon its adoption.

Adopted December 18, 2018.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education

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Member Mr. Radliff moved to the transfer of \$800,000 (the "*Transfer Amount*") from the Educational Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund (the "*Ed Fund Transfer*") of the District. Member Mrs. Miller seconded the motion that said resolution as presented and read by title be adopted.

After a full and complete discussion thereof, the President directed the Secretary to call the roll for a vote upon the motion to adopt said resolution.

Upon the roll being called, the following members voted AYE: Mr. Bernal, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, and Dr. Winfield. Nays none, motion carried.

The following members voted NAY: none.

Member Mr. Radliff moved to the transfer of \$800,000 (the "*Transfer Amount*") from the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the School Bond and Interest Fund of 2009 to pay debt service on the Taxable General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2009A.

After a full and complete discussion thereof, the President directed the Secretary to call the roll for a vote upon the motion to adopt said resolution.

Upon the roll being called, the following members voted AYE: Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, and Mr. Bernal. Nays none, motion carried.

The following members voted NAY: none.

Whereupon the President declared the motion carried and said resolution adopted, and in open meeting approved and signed said resolution and directed the Secretary to record the same

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in full in the records of the Board of Education of School District Number 119, St. Clair County, Illinois, which was done.

Other business not pertinent to the adoption of said resolution was duly transacted at said meeting.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, Board of Education

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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR)

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES AND RESOLUTION

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of School District Number 119, St. Clair County, Illinois (the “Board”), and that as such official I am the keeper of the records and files of the Board.

I do further certify that the foregoing constitutes a full, true and complete transcript of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on the 18th day of December, 2018, insofar as same relates to the adoption of a resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION directing the transfer of \$800,000 (a) from the Educational Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund and then (b) from the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the School Bond and Interest Fund of 2009 of School District Number 119, St. Clair County, Illinois.

a true, correct and complete copy of which said resolution as adopted at said meeting appears in the foregoing transcript of the minutes of said meeting.

I do further certify that the deliberations of the Board on the adoption of said resolution were conducted openly, that the vote on the adoption of said resolution was taken openly, that said meeting was held at a specified time and place convenient to the public, that notice of said meeting was duly given to all of the news media requesting such notice, that an agenda for said meeting was posted at the location where said meeting was held and at the principal office of the Board at least 96 hours in advance of the holding of said meeting, that at least one copy of said agenda was continuously available for public review during the entire 96-hour period preceding said meeting, that said meeting was called and held in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and with the provisions of the School Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, and that the Board has complied with all of the provisions of said Act and said Code and with all of the procedural rules of the Board in the conduct of said meeting and in the adoption of said resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my official signature, this 18th day of December, 2018.

Secretary, Board of Education

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Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Mrs. Collins moved that the Board of Education enter into executive session at 8:44 p.m. under 5ILCS 120/2 (c.) (1) and (4) for the discussion of personnel employment and parent testimony. Dr. Winfield seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mr. Bernal, and Mrs. Collins. Nays none, motion carried.

At 9:08 p.m., board members exited executive session.

Mr. Warner moved to employ Carol Freund as a part time health aide / nurse for the remainder of the fiscal year 2019 at the rate of \$23.45 an hour. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Miller, Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mr. Bernal, Mrs. Collins, and Mrs. Kunz. Nays none, motion carried.

Mr. Warner moved to employ Christine Kaiping as a grade five basketball coach for the fiscal year 2019 at the CBA stipend amount of \$2,014. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Radliff, Mr. Warner, Dr. Winfield, Mr. Bernal, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, and Mrs. Miller. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Gale discussed the dinner for board members on January 15, 2019 at 6:15 p.m. provided by OPAA food service.

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

Karen L. Kunz, President
Board of Education
Belle Valley School District No. 119
St. Clair County, Illinois

Joan E. McKay, Secretary
Board of Education
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