

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, 1  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
JULY 19, 2006

The Board of Education of District No. 119, St. Clair County, Illinois, met in the Board Room, Belle Valley School-South, 1901 Mascoutah Road, Belleville, Illinois, in said District at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, July 19, 2006.

Dr. Thomas Feder, Board President, called the meeting to order. The roll was called and the following members were present: Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger, and Dr. Feder. Those absent: Mr. Smith, Mr. Vaughn and Mr. Byrd.

In the absence of the board secretary, President Feder asked Supt. Floit to act as Secretary Pro Tem.

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

President Feder recommended adopting the board agenda. Mrs. Kunz moved to approve the board agenda and Mr. Baysinger seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

President Feder called for public comments from the audience. There were no public comments.

Supt. Floit recommended employing Keith Albers as a fourth grade teacher for the 2006-07 school year to be placed on step 9, BS. Mrs. Baltz moved to employ Keith Albers as recommended. Mrs. Kunz seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, and Mr. Baysinger. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Floit recommended employing April Albers as a first grade teacher for the 2006-07 school year to be placed on step 1, BS. Mrs. Kunz moved to employ April Albers as recommended. Mr. Baysinger seconded the motion. Mrs. Baltz moved the previous roll and Mrs. Kunz seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried. Members voting aye on the previous roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, and Mr. Baysinger; nays none.

Supt. Floit recommended employing Matt Vollmar as a third grade teacher for the 2006-07 school year to be placed on step 1, MS. Mrs. Baltz moved to employ Matt Vollmar as recommended. Mr. Baysinger seconded the motion. Mrs. Kunz moved the previous roll and Mrs. Baltz seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried. Members voting aye on the previous roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, and Mr. Baysinger; nays none.

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Supt. Floit recommended employing Richard Gerard as a part time custodian. Mrs. Baltz moved to employ Richard Gerard as recommended. Mr. Baysinger seconded the motion. Mrs. Kunz moved the previous roll and Mrs. Baltz seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried. Members voting aye on the previous roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, and Mr. Baysinger; nays none.

Supt. Floit recommended employing Terry Kazmierczak as a part time custodian. Mr. Baysinger moved to employ Terry Kazmierczak as recommended. Mrs. Baltz seconded the motion. Mrs. Kunz moved the previous roll and Mr. Baysinger seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried. Members voting aye on the previous roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, and Mr. Baysinger; nays none.

Mr. Byrd arrived at 7:07 PM.

The Board reviewed the executive session meeting minutes from July 2005 – June 2006. Dr. Feder recommended that May 17, 2006 minutes remain closed. Mrs. Kunz moved to open the executive session minutes from July 2005 through June 2006 to the public with the exception of May 2006. Mr. Byrd seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger, and Mr. Byrd. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Floit recommended approval of the transfer of interest from the Working Cash Fund to the Education Fund. Mrs. Baltz moved to approve the transfer of interest from the Working Cash Fund to the Education Fund. Mr. Baysinger seconded the motion. Mrs. Baltz moved the previous roll and Mrs. Kunz seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried. Members voting aye on previous roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger, and Mr. Byrd; nays none.

Supt. Floit recommended approval of the transfer of interest from the Bond and Interest Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund. Mr. Baysinger moved to approve the transfer of interest from the Bond and Interest Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund. Mrs. Kunz seconded the motion. Mrs. Baltz moved the previous roll and Mrs. Kunz seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried. Members voting aye on the previous roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder and Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger, and Mr. Byrd; nays none.

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The real estate tax report was presented which showed \$172,417.71 received to date from St. Clair County for 2005 real estate taxes. The North Extended School Program report was presented and showed net income for June had a net gain of \$2,948.95 with a year-to-date net income of \$71,668.47, compared to \$33,563.59 year-to-date net income for the previous year. The South Extended School Program net income for June had a net loss of \$1,413.34 with a year-to-date net gain of \$727.84, compared to a net loss of \$9,358.89 for the previous year. The lunch program report showed a net loss of \$2,447.25 after other expenses, noon supervisors and capital outlay, were included. A discussion of the state requirement for each district to have a wellness policy followed.

A resolution to approve the tentative budget for Belle Valley School District #119 for the fiscal year 2006-07 was presented for adoption. Mrs. Baltz moved to adopt the resolution as presented. Mr. Baysinger seconded the motion. Mrs. Kunz moved the previous roll and Mrs. Baltz seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried. Members voting aye on previous roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger and Mr. Byrd; nays none. A copy of said budget is attached and made an official part of these minutes.

The purchase of property using debt certificates was discussed. The payments would be made out of the district's operating funds. Under the direction of legal counsel, Chapman and Cutler, a term sheet has been developed for bids for financing. The terms include borrowing \$700,000 over a seven year term, with no pre-payment penalty, closing before Nov. 15, 2006, and no deposit. Term sheets will be sent to area banks this week, with a bid submission date of August 2, 2006. Also discussed was a proposed timeline for completion of the purchase of the property. Closing on the property should be completed by November. Discussion with the City regarding a pre-annexation agreement is progressing. A conceptual drawing of the property is being developed by LTR to be given to the City in their consideration of the pre-annexation agreement. Mrs. Baltz moved that the term sheet and cover letter as presented be sent out to area banks. Mr. Baysinger seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger, and Mr. Byrd. Nays none, motion carried.

The Board reviewed the board calendar for the 2006-07 school year. Mr. Baysinger moved to accept the board calendar as presented. Mrs. Baltz seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

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Dr. Feder 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 June 21, 2006; the executive minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education on June 21, 2006; the financial report, the treasurer's report, and payment of bills. Board members discussed several of the bills. The bills were presented for approval and payment in the following amounts (see itemized lists attached): Ed. Fund \$96,056.06; Bldg. Fund \$42,988.74; Bond & Interest Fund \$22,725.00; Transportation Fund \$4,094.22 and Fire Prevention Safety Fund \$31,248.00. Mrs. Baltz moved to approve the consent agenda items with the correction of the special board meeting minutes. Mr. Baysinger seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger and Mr. Byrd. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Feder reminded everyone of the board picnic to be held at Westhaven pool on Friday, August 25 from 7:00 – 10:00 PM.

President Feder called for board member requests or reports. Dr. Feder asked if the Board still had an interest in the Board Self-Evaluation using IASB. Discussion followed and it was decided to wait until next summer with the new board. Dr. Feder suggested that we need to look at board policy on anti-nepotism especially regarding hiring board members' family members. Dr. Floit will bring sample policy language to the Board for their consideration.

Dr. Floit reported that summer projects are proceeding well. One highlight is that sound tiles have been installed in the cafeteria that should have a very positive effect on the comfort level of students. Dr. Floit recognized Jennifer Looft for her work on the BV Beat as a part of an internship project. Several board members also acknowledged the improved look of the newsletter.

Upon the recommendation of President Feder, Mr. Byrd moved that the Board of Education go into closed executive session at 8:02 p.m. for the purpose of discussing filling a vacancy on the school board. Mrs. Kunz seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mrs. Kunz, Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger and Mr. Byrd. Nays: none, motion carried.

At 8:08 p.m., Mr. Byrd moved that the Board of Education reconvene in open session. Mrs. Kunz seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

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

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Dr. Feder, President  
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Pamela S. Floit, Secretary Pro Tem  
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