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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS
OCTOBER 17, 2006

The Board of Education of District No. 119, St. Clair County, Illinois, met in the library, Belle Valley School-South, 1901 Mascoutah Road, Belleville, Illinois, in said District at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 17, 2006.

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

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

President Feder recommended adopting the board agenda. Mrs. Kunz moved to adopt the board agenda. Mrs. Baltz 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 recognized Susanne Riechmann as the Belle Valley District #119 Emerson Electric Excellence in Teaching Award recipient for 2006-07. She is deserving of this award due to her distinction in the classroom and her dynamic leadership skills demonstrated daily as a teacher, athletic director, informal educational leader and colleague. Susanne is an initiator who does what is best for students, even when it makes her job harder. She has been integral to the development of the new middle school math curriculum over the last 2 years. Susanne is also currently completing work on her master's degree in educational administration at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. Susanne becomes fully committed to a task or project regardless of the size. She does not assist others to receive recognition, but is extremely humble and helps others for the sake of helping them and watching them succeed. She is responsible, dedicated individual who is trusted and respected by students, parents, and staff. Susanne is an exemplary professional who is truly deserving of the Excellence in Teaching Award.

Supt. Floit recommended employing Michael Conley as half-time social studies teacher for the remainder of the 2006-07 school year. Mr. Conley is also employed as a half-time teacher at Beck Vocational Center in the afternoon. Mrs. Baltz moved to employ Michael Conley as a half-time social studies teacher for the remainder of the 2006-07 school year. Mr.

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Baysinger seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger, Mrs. Kunz, and Mr. Smith. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Floit recommended increasing Jennifer Haas' employment status to fulltime teacher. Mrs. Haas began the school year teaching ½ time vocal music at North and became fulltime when she took on the additional ½ time math lab position. Mr. Baysinger moved to increase Mrs. Haas' employment to fulltime teacher. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Mrs. Kunz moved the previous roll call. Mrs. Baltz seconded the motion. Members voting aye on previous roll call: Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger, Mrs. Kunz, and Mr. Smith. Nays none, motion carried.

Mr. Byrd arrived at 7:10 p.m.

The following items were reported: real estate taxes received to date was \$2,548,045.58, which was 90.14% of the total extension, and the next payment will be received in December. The total enrollment of 922 students was reported with 494 students at North, 415 students at South, and 13 special education students enrolled as tuition students in other districts. The enrollment increased by four students over last month. The year-to-date income for the North Extended School Program was \$10,106 through 9/30/06 compared to \$13,095 through 9/30/05. The year-to-date income for the South Extended School Program showed a loss of \$855 through 9/30/06 compared to a loss of \$1,341 through 9/30/05. Both school buildings showed a loss of \$1,618 after other expenses on the school lunch program report. Mr. Smith requested information regarding the number of paid, free, and reduced lunches in next month's report.

Supt. Floit and the board members discussed the Instruction – School Wellness policy, which will be reviewed again and presented for approval at the December board meeting. She suggested deleting bullet number three under the goals for nutrition education. Mr. Smith recommended adding students to community input for suggestions.

President Feder asked Mr. Smith to discuss the annexation agreement with the City of Belleville. Mr. Smith discussed the major terms and conditions of the annexation agreement between the City of Belleville and Belle Valley School District #119. It was also noted that the City of Belleville was very accommodating with the District's request for annexation. Mr. Smith moved to approve the annexation agreement with the City of Belleville. Mrs. Kunz seconded the

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motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger, Mr. Byrd, Mrs. Kunz, and Mr. Smith. Nays none, motion carried.

Supt. Floit recommended the appointment of Mrs. Karen Kunz from the Belle Valley Board of Education to the Governing Board of Belleville Area Special Services Cooperative (BASSC). Mrs. Kunz has served in this capacity for many years and has graciously agreed to continue. Mrs. Baltz moved to appoint Mrs. Kunz to the Governing Board of Belleville Area Special Services Cooperative. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger, Mr. Byrd, Mrs. Kunz, and Mr. Smith. Nays none, motion carried.

Dr. Floit discussed the consideration of security cameras at Belle Valley South School. In an effort to increase safety measures at Belle Valley South, the administrators have looked into the possibility of installing security camera and a recording system. Discussion of the possible location and coverage of the cameras followed. Mr. Smith recommended obtaining the services of a security consultant.

President Feder asked whether board members had any questions for the consent agenda items, which included: the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education on September 19, 2005, the executive minutes of regular meeting held on September 19, 2006, the financial report, the treasurer's report and payment of bills. The bills were presented for approval and payment in the following amounts, (see itemized lists attached): Ed. Fund \$56,685.23; Bldg. Fund \$18,815.85; and Transportation Fund \$43,869.25. Board members discussed several board bills. Mrs. Kunz moved to approve the items listed on the consent agenda. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Dr. Feder, Mrs. Baltz, Mr. Baysinger, Mr. Byrd, Mrs. Kunz, and Mr. Smith. Nays none, motion carried.

President Feder discussed the need for a special board meeting to discuss and approve a drainage agreement with the Green Mount Cemetery Association. The Green Mount Cemetery Association has a concern that a disturbance to the drainage tiles on the farm property could be a problem in the future. The agreement would keep the terrace system intact or provide a remedy for the movement of water. Mr. Smith further noted that the property is subject to the

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Illinois Drainage Act. Mr. Smith moved to hold a special board meeting on October 24, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Byrd seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

Supt. Floit reported that the land closing will be held at Chicago Title Trust on October 30, 2006 at 3:00 p.m.

President Feder asked if any board members had any communications. Mrs. Kunz recommended re-establishing a building committee. Discussion followed and it was agreed that the building committee with members Mr. Vaughn and Mr. Smith would continue to function. Board members suggested placing an agenda item about building planning on the board agenda each month.

Board members discussed the marketing of Belleville High School East hosting community service speakers for parents.

Mr. Smith suggested giving food baskets or other items to families in need. Discussion of possible outreach programs followed.

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

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