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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS
MAY 18, 2010

The Board of Education of District No. 119, St. Clair County, Illinois, met in a classroom, Belle Valley School-South, 1901 Mascoutah Road, Belleville, Illinois, in said District at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18, 2010.

The roll was called and the following members were present: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Those absent: Mr. Byrd and Mr. Tiemann.

President Kunz called the meeting to order. The members of the Board of Education and others in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance.

President Kunz welcomed visitors attending the meeting and called for public comments from the audience. Mr. Ted Farmer addressed the Board of Education and discussed the employment of the interim superintendent, search for a superintendent and financial condition of the State of Illinois. President Kunz discussed the interim superintendent's one year contract and evaluation during the one year term.

President Kunz recommended adoption of the agenda. Mr. Vaughn moved to adopt the agenda. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All members in favor, the agenda was adopted.

President Kunz asked if anyone had any questions on consent agenda items, which included the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education on April 20, 2010, the executive session minutes of the Board of Education on April 20, 2010, the special meeting minutes on April 27, 2010, and the special meeting minutes on May 4, 2010, the financial report, the treasurer's report, extended school program report, cafeteria financial report and enrollment report. Mr. Vaughn asked if the cafeteria grant revenue was included in the cafeteria report. Mrs. McKay stated the revenue was not included in the report, but would be included next month. Mr. Smith moved to approve the consent calendar items. Mr. Vaughn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

The bills were presented for approval and payment in the following amounts (see itemized lists attached): Ed. Fund \$49,086.08; O & M Fund \$14,365.37; Debt Service Fund \$9,720.70; Transportation Fund \$43,277.85; and Capital Project Fund \$282,606.97. Mr. Smith moved to approve the board bills. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. Members voting aye on

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roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

Supt. Obernuefemann recommended approving the final amended calendar for the 2009-2010 school year. He noted that the change involved was the use of four emergency days, the removal of the one unused emergency day and the last day of school set for May 28, 2010. Mr. Vaughn moved that the amended calendar for the 2009-2010 school-year be approved as presented. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried. A copy of said amended calendar is attached and made an official part of these minutes.

President Kunz asked Mr. Sawyer to discuss e-mail account application. Mr. Sawyer discussed the e-mail account costs with two domain accounts for Belle Valley. The Google e-mail account would allow large e-mail documents and attachments larger than 2 megabytes. Employees could share documents, allow collaboration and save previous versions of documents on Google documents. Google Apps is a free service for documents. Mr. Vaughn moved to approve the Google e-mail accounts. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

Mr. Sawyer discussed the current website and content management site for website hosting services. He asked other school districts how they are managing their websites. He also researched other website hosting companies. New companies stated it would take six to eight weeks to build everything into a new website. He would recommend School Fusion as an alternate or a possible website hosting service. Mrs. Skillern asked if you could update documents on the website. Mr. Sawyer stated he was satisfied with the current website and teacher pages. Mrs. Collins asked if Mr. Sawyer could contact the current website to inquire about a reduced hosting fee. Mr. Smith moved to table any action on the website. Mr. Vaughn seconded the motion. All members in aye, motion tabled action.

Mr. Smith moved to employ summer custodial help at Supt. Obernuefemann's discretion with the least amount of cost to the District as possible. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

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Mrs. McKay discussed the secretarial help for seven days during the summer. Mr. Smith moved to approve the employment of Barb Brandmeyer for seven additional days of work during the summer. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

President Kunz stated that board policies listed below were discussed at the regular board meeting on April 20, 2010. She recommended approving the policies as presented.

- 4:70 – Operational Services – Resource Conservation
- 4:70-AP – Operational Services – Administrative Procedure – Resource Conservation
- 4:80-AP – Operational Services – Administrative Procedure – Checklist for Internal Controls
- 4:90 – Operational Services – Activity Funds
- 4:100 – Operational Services – Insurance Management
- 4:130 – Operational Services – Free and Reduced-Price Food Services
- 4:170-AP3 – Operational Services – Administrative Procedure – School Bus Safety Rules
- 4:170-AP4 – Operational Services – Administrative Procedure – Emergency Preparedness Responses to Homeland Security Codes
- 4:170-E1 – Operational Services – Exhibit – Accident or Injury Form
- 4:170-E2 – Operational Services – Exhibit – Memo to Staff Members Regarding Contacts by Media About a Crisis
- 4:170-E3 – Operational Services – Exhibit – Emergency Medical Information for Students Having Special Needs or Medical Condition Who Ride School Bus
- 4:170-E4 – Operational Services – Exhibit – Letter to Parents Regarding Student Safety
- 4:170-E5 – Operational Services – Exhibit – Annual School Safety Review

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- 4:170-E6 – Operational Services – Exhibit – Informing Parents About Offender Community Notification Laws
- 4:180 – Operational Services – Pandemic Preparedness
- 4:180-AP1 – Operational Services – Administrative Procedure – School Action Steps for Pandemic Influenza
- 4:180-AP2 – Operational Services – Administrative Procedure – Pandemic Influenza Surveillance and Reporting
- 5:10 – General Personnel – Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment
- 5:10-AP – General Personnel – Administrative Procedure – Workplace Accommodations for Nursing Mothers
- 5:20 – General Personnel – Workplace Harassment Prohibited

Mrs. Skillern asked that the Belle Valley PTO/Booster Club activity account included with policy 4:90. Mr. Smith moved to approve the above listed policies with the amended policy 4:90 to include the Belle Valley PTO/Booster Club. Mr. Vaughn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

Mrs. Kathy Goetter discussed recent teacher reassignments with Heather Lyerla moving to grade one, Julie Gulley moving to grade two, and Jason Shea moving back to grade four. The District has the following teacher position openings: one for grade one, one for special education resource and a recommendation for the Pre-K/Early Childhood. Mrs. Goetter recommended Susan Aebisher for the Pre-K/Early Childhood position. Currently, there are two Pre-K classrooms of 20 students each. The candidate for the 2010-2011 school year would teach one Pre-K section and one Early Childhood section. The candidate has dual certification for regular education and special education. Mr. Vaughn moved to employ Susan Aebisher for the 2010-2011 school year for the Pre-K/Early Childhood position. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

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Supt. Obernuefemann discussed Prairie State Insurance Cooperative for a quality and quantity insurance analysis. The insurance cooperative covered the students too. The cost analysis would be presented at a future meeting.

Supt. Obernuefemann discussed the Race to the Top. He stated that unions throughout the State of Illinois recommended not to sign up for the federal program. The program only requires one signature. He will contact board members when he receives more information on the program.

Mr. Sawyer stated he covered most of his technology report in the previous discussions. He stated the library will be updated upon the move to the new school building. Mr. Sawyer stated there is a help request form for computer problems with the forms documented on the Google Application program.

President Kunz asked for a building committee update. Mr. Smith stated there was a building committee meeting scheduled on May 18, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. He stated that the lime modification on the dirt is so hard that you can drive on the building site. At 10:00 a.m. there was a furniture meeting and Supt. Obernuefemann will meet with the principals to discuss the furniture further.

President Kunz asked for the principal's report. Mrs. Goetter, North principal, stated that the Academic Review recommended that seven students be retained for this school year. The principal and teachers have kept parents informed of their child's lack of progress. Other news included fourth grade band students met the South band students and performed for parents at 6:00 p.m. this evening. Mrs. Goetter stated that the Big Brothers/Big Sisters was a great program for the students. She reported that one student was retained at Belle Valley South.

Upon the recommendation of President Kunz, Mr. Smith moved that the Board of Education enter executive session at 8:20 p.m. for the purpose of discussing employment, compensation and/or dismissal of personnel. Mr. Vaughn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

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At 9:07 p.m., Mrs. Skillern moved that the Board of Education reconvene in open session. Mr. Vaughn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

Mr. Smith moved to accept the resignation of Amy Evans as the co-drama director from the BVS musical. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

Mr. Smith moved to accept the resignation of Mr. Gaines Smith as a board member from the Board of Education. Mr. Vaughn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

Mr. Vaughn moved to approve the request of absence for maternity leave from Deb Carter. Mrs. Skillern seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

Mr. Smith moved to appoint the Belle Valley School Board as the negotiation team with Superintendent Obernuefemann as a resource; as well as, any other additional resources needed. As the union has voted to be one unit, including support staff, the school board will negotiate with said unit, including support staff. Mr. Vaughn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

Mr. Smith moved not to enter an inter-governmental agreement with East St. Louis School District #189. Mr. Vaughn seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Vaughn, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern, and Mr. Smith. Nays: none, motion carried.

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

Mrs. Karen Kunz, President
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