

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 119, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS
NOVEMBER 3, 2009

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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 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 6, 2009.

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

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

President Kunz stated that the purpose of this meeting was also to hold a public hearing for the physical education waiver. She opened the hearing and inquired if anyone in the audience had any comments on the physical education waiver. There were no public comments from the public. Supt. Freeman stated that the District is applying for an additional two year physical education waiver in case more mine subsidence occurs at the North school building. No other comments were made. President Kunz stated that the public hearing for the physical education waiver for Belle Valley School District was closed. Mr. Smith moved to adjourn the public hearing. Mr. Tiemann seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

President Kunz stated that the purpose of this meeting was also to hold a public hearing for the administrative cost cap limitation waiver. She opened the hearing and inquired if anyone in the audience had any comments on the administrative cost cap limitation waiver. There were no public comments from the public. Supt. Freeman stated that the District is applying for the administrative cost cap limitation waiver, because the prior interim superintendents did not receive pension and health benefits. Supt. Freeman's salary and benefits combined exceed the 5% limitation and a waiver request to the Illinois General Assembly is required to go over the limit for this fiscal year. President Kunz stated that the public hearing for the administrative cost cap limitation waiver for Belle Valley School District was closed. Mr. Smith moved to adjourn the public hearing. Mr. Tiemann seconded the motion. All members in favor, motion carried.

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

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President Kunz asked if board members had any questions for the administrative cost cap limitation waiver. Supt. Freeman and Mrs. McKay discussed the forms that will be submitted to the Illinois State Board of Education. Mr. Smith moved to approve the administrative cost cap limitation waiver and requested a copy of the ISBE administrative cost cap limitation waiver form for the next board meeting. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Tiemann, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern and Mr. Smith. Nays none, motion carried.

President Kunz asked if board members had any questions for the physical education waiver. Supt. Freeman and Mrs. McKay discussed the forms that will be submitted to the Illinois State Board of Education. Mr. Smith moved to approve the physical education waiver and requested a copy of the ISBE physical education waiver form for the next board meeting. Mrs. Collins seconded the motion. Members voting aye on roll call: Mr. Tiemann, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Skillern and Mr. Smith. Nays none, motion carried.

President Kunz stated that the action items for the board meeting were completed. President Kunz asked the architects to present the building design update.

Mr. Steve Raskin, Ittner architect, discussed the design development of the new school building at length. Laura Haller, Ittner architect, discussed the interior design layout and color scheme for each wing. The parent and bus parking areas were discussed. Ralph Hall, project engineer of Ittner architect, discussed the early site work that has started and inspected.

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

Karen L. Kunz, President
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