MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BELLEVILLE TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 201, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD NOVEMBER 18, 2019, BELLEVILLE TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL, 920 NORTH ILLINOIS ST, BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS.

Members present: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert

Members absent: Lampkin

Also present were: Superintendent Jeff Dosier, Assistant Superintendent Brian Mentzer, Coordinator of Administrative Services Marshaun Warren, Director of Alternative Education Andrea Gannon, Assistant Superintendent for Special Services Melissa Taylor, Principal Josh Lane, and Principal Rich Mertens.

See attached list for additional attendance.

Mr. Barton moved, seconded by Mr. Sauerwein, that a closed session be called at 6:01 pm. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of a specific employee or office of the public body, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (C)(1); student disciplinary cases; pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(9); purchase or lease of real property by the public body, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5); and pending or probable litigation against, affecting or on behalf of the public body, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11). Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

The board returned to open session at 7:00 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Nina Goodrich, West student board representative, reported the word of the month is peace.

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the minutes from the special board meeting and closed session held October 10, 2019 and the regular board meeting and closed session held October 21, 2019. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

Mr. Sauerwein moved, seconded by Mr. Eiskant, to approve the salaries in the amount of $3,452,711.76, bills in the amount of $933,203.02, and the treasurer’s report for month ending October 30, 2019. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Sauerwein, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Field Experience with Mississippi State University, exhibit 1; further,
To approve the Contract with Belleville District 118 for District Residency Officer Services, exhibit 2; further,

To accept a laminating machine donated by Fehrenbacher LLC for the Bridges Program, and

To approve the amended 2019-2020 District Calendar, exhibit 3. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

Mr. Lane recognized East students, Piper Field and Kylie Schomber, and presented each student with a certificate of recognition for their accomplishments.

Jeff Riley, West teacher, and Merle Wilder, East Guidance Counselor, were recognized for their service to District 201.

Mr. Mertens and Mr. Lane along with student board representatives, Mia Smith and Nina Goodrich, reported on activities on their respective campuses including Veterans Day assemblies and parent teacher conferences.

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the following 6th assignments for second semester of the 2019-2020 school year:

Kelly York, Belleville West French
Katie McDowell, Belleville West German
John Brentlinger and Jamison Klein, Belleville East Welding

Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the list of Night School Certified Staff for second semester of the 2019-2020 school year, exhibit 4. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the list of AVID tutors for the 2019-2020 school year, exhibit 5. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.
Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

Mr. Sauerwein moved, seconded by Mr. Watkins, to approve the employment of Jennifer Van Bibber as District Cooperative Girls Lacrosse Assistant Coach for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

Mr. Eiskant moved seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the list of additional volunteer coaches for the 2019-2020 school year, exhibit 6. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the list of changes in transportation, at-will bus drivers, and food service personnel for the 2019-2020 school year, exhibit 7. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

Mrs. Gannon reported on alternative school enrollment and parent teacher conferences. A group of Alternative School students will be selected each month to visit with residents of Westfield Manor.

Dr. Mentzer reported on district finances noting the State of Illinois owes the district just under 2.4 million dollars. Dr. Mentzer reviewed the tax levy which represented a 3.5% increase from the previous year.

Mr. Sauerwein moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the resolution regarding estimated amounts necessary to be levied for the year 2019, exhibit 8. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

Ms. Taylor reported on the Illinois Science assessment, December graduates, and course revisions for 2020-2021. The current Wildlife biology course name will be changed to Biology 2 next year.
Dr. Mentzer, Ms. Taylor, Mr. Lane and Mr. Mertens presented the District’s State Report Card. They discussed the resources available to students such as before and after school tutoring, lunch tutoring, additional lab classes, and SAT prep work in all math classes.

The district received and responded to one Freedom of Information Act request this month.

Dr. Dosier reported on how the State collects data on exclusionary discipline. The district is required to develop a plan that will be implemented next year to reduce the number of exclusionary discipline incidents.

Mr. Sauerwein moved, seconded by Mr. Todd, to approve the second reading and adopt board policy 5:50A, exhibit 9. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

Mr. Sauerwein moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the Dual Credit Partnership Agreement between Southwestern Illinois College and Belleville Township High School District 201, exhibit 10. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Nays: None

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.
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