

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BELLEVILLE TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 201, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD AUGUST 17, 2020, BELLEVILLE TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL, 920 NORTH ILLINOIS ST, BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS.

Members present: Barton, Eiskant, Todd, Watkins, Eckert
Members attending remotely: Lampkin
Members absent: Sauerwein

Also present were: Superintendent Brian Mentzer, Assistant Superintendent Dustin Bilbruck, Director of Alternative Education Andrea Gannon, Assistant Superintendent for Special Services Melissa Taylor, Director of Human Resources Marshaun Warren, Principal Josh Lane, and Principal Rich Mertens.

The meeting link was provided to Soune Ursani who requested to attend the meeting remotely.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Barton moved, seconded by Mr. Eiskant to approve the minutes from the special board meeting held July 1, 2020 and the regular board meeting and closed session held July 20, 2020. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

Mr. Lampkin moved, seconded by Mr. Eiskant to approve the salaries in the amount of \$5,424,831.11, bills in the amount of \$3,408,592.20, and the treasurer's report for month ending July 31, 2020. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

Mr. Barton moved, seconded by Mr. Watkins, to declare 70 Chromebook carts as surplus; further,

To approve the Agreement with St. Clair County Regional Office of Education for Transitional Education Services for the 2020-2021 school year, **exhibit 1**; and

To approve the 2020-2021 Amended School Calendar, **exhibit 2**. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

Dr. Mentzer discussed starting the school year remotely based upon information from the St. Clair County Health Department. Our schools are, and will continue to be ready, when in-person instruction is permitted.

Mrs. Warren reported the Racial Equity Committee finalized a mission statement and action

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steps. A staff survey was sent last week to engage the faculty and staff in equity initiatives on their respective campuses. The staff is very supportive of the committee and over 200 survey responses were received.

Mr. Todd moved, seconded by Mr. Lampkin, that a closed session be called at 6:47 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); collective negotiating matters or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2); purchase or lease of real property by the public body, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(5); and discussion of the minutes of a meeting that was lawfully closed under OMA, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21). Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Lampkin, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert

Nays: None

The board returned to open session at 7:15 pm.

There were no comments during public participation.

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the employment of Andrea Barriger and Tonya Sears as Belleville East Co-Directors of Counseling for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Lampkin, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert

Nays: None

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the employment of Scott Hilpert as a CTE Welding Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Lampkin, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert

Nays: None

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the employment of Jacob Toenjes as a full-time substitute teacher for the 2020-2021 school year only. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

Ayes: Barton, Eiskant, Lampkin, Sauerwein, Todd, Watkins, Eckert

Nays: None

Mr. Barton moved, seconded by Mr. Watkins, to approve the list of 6th assignments for first semester of the 2020-2021 school year, **exhibit 3**. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to employ the list of additional co-curricular assignments and volunteer coaches for the 2020-2021 school year, **exhibit 4**. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the list of changes in transportation personnel and at-will bus drivers and the bus driver hourly rates for the 2020-2021 school year, **exhibit 5 & 6**. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the leave of absence request of Ashley Mims Spriggs, West teacher, for first semester of the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the title change for Director of Human Resources to Director of Human Resources and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

Mr. Todd moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the updated MOU for Curtis McKay as presented, **exhibit 7**. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

The School Board met in closed session to conduct its semi-annual review of closed meeting minutes that have not been released for public inspection. The closed meeting minutes, or portions thereof, from February 10, 2020, no longer require confidential treatment. The need for confidentiality still exists as to all remaining closed meeting minutes to protect an individual's privacy or the District's interests.

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Mr. Barton moved, seconded by Mr. Eiskant, to approve the board's semi-annual review of unreleased closed meeting minutes and to release for public inspection those minutes, or portions thereof, that the Board identified as no longer needing confidential treatment, **exhibit 8**. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Watkins, to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Use of Belleville Township High School District 201's Transportation Services as presented, **exhibit 8**. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the purchase from Houghton Mifflin for World History Survey 9-12 textbooks and materials in the amount of \$93,210 as presented, **exhibit 9**. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

Mr. Eiskant moved, seconded by Mr. Barton, to approve the purchase of 800 Chromebooks and Chrome Education Upgrade from Best Buy in the amount of \$323,200.00 as presented, **exhibit 10**. Motion carried by the following vote on roll call.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm.

President

Secretary