

BROWN COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
Mt. Sterling, Illinois
September 28, 2016

The 2016-2017 budget hearing was held on Wednesday evening, September 28, 2016 at 5:45 pm in the Board of Education Office, 503 NW Cross Street, Mt. Sterling, Illinois.

1. The 2016-2017 budget hearing is open.
2. The following comments were made:
The budget was presented showing the following amounts:
Fund 10: Educational Budgeted Revenue: \$4,824,137 & Budgeted Expenses of \$4,823,716
Fund 20: Operations & Maintenance Budgeted Revenue of \$410,602 & Budgeted Expenses of \$410,602
Fund 30: Debt Service Budgeted Revenue of \$428,780 & Budgeted Expenses of \$410,602
Fund 40: Transportation Budgeted Revenue of \$350,531 & Budgeted Expenses of \$249,277
Fund 50: Municipal Retirement/Social Security Budgeted Revenue of \$395,263 & Budgeted Expenses \$530,957
Fund 60: Capital Projects Budgeted Revenue of \$100,000 & Budgeted Expenses of \$100,000
Fund 70: Working Cash Budgeted Revenue of \$38,790 & Budgeted Expenses of \$38,790
Fund 80: Tort Budgeted Revenue of \$651,000 & Budgeted Expenses of \$651,000
Fund 90: Fire Prevention & Safety Budgeted Revenue of \$38,790 & Budgeted Expenses of \$35,000
3. The budget hearing closed at 5:53 pm.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Wednesday evening, September 28, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board of Education Office at 503 NW Cross Street, Mt. Sterling, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by President Philip Krupps. The minutes were recorded by Tracy Flowers, Board Secretary.

On roll call, the following members answered present: Blaesing, Blakeley, Fry, Fullerton and Krupps. Koch and McCaskill were absent.

Public Comment: There were new teachers/staff in attendance: Amanda Terry, Sarah Therriault and Tracy Conley.

1. Motion by Fry, seconded by Fullerton, to approve the consent agenda.

Roll call: Blaesing, yea; Blakeley, yea; Fry, yea; Fullerton, yea; Krupps, yea.
Motion carried.

Correspondence.

Committee Reports: none

2. Motion by Blakeley, seconded by Blaesing, to approve the application for Recognition of Schools.

Roll call: Blakeley, yea; Fry, yea; Fullerton, yea; Krupps, yea; Blaesing, yea.
Motion carried.

3. Motion by Krupps, seconded by Fullerton, to approve the early completion request of high school credits received by Mrs. Pollee Craven, High School Principal.

Roll call: Fry, yea; Fullerton, yea; Krupps, yea; Blaesing, yea; Blakeley, yea.
Motion carried.

4. Motion by Blaesing, seconded by Fry, to adopt the 2016-2017 Budget.

Roll call: Fullerton, yea; Krupps, yea; Blaesing, yea; Blakeley, yea; Fry, yea.
Motion carried.

5. Motion by Krupps, seconded by Blakeley, to appoint Tracy Conley as IMRF authorized agent.

Roll call: Krupps, yea; Blaesing, yea; Blakeley, yea; Fry, yea; Fullerton, yea.
Motion carried.

First Reading of PRESS Plus Issue 92 Policies 2:70; 2:70-E; 2:120-E1; 2:120-E2;
2:240-E1; 2:240-E2; 6:100; 7:10-E; 7:270; 8:90; 8:110.
5 year Review of 1:10; 1:20; 1:30; 2:10; 2:130; 3:10; 3:30; 4:80; 5:150; 6:255;
6:260; 7:280; 7:285.

6. Motion by Blaesing, seconded by Blakeley, to approve the First Reading of the above names PRESS Plus Policies.

Roll call: Blaesing, yea; Blakeley, yea; Fry, yea; Fullerton, yea; Krupps, yea.
Motion carried.

Administrative Reports and Raising Expectations Speakers in Brown County:

Ms. Shelly Eager reported that the district Early Childhood Program has earned a designation of Gold Circle of Quality from ExceleRate Illinois which is our state's quality rating and improvement system for early learning and development programs.

Mrs. Pollee Craven reported that the high school has been celebrating Homecoming week this week, starting with the crowning of the royalty on Monday morning. The Homecoming queen is Kenzie Blentlinger and king is Jacob Flynn. A huge thank you goes out to the Student Council and sponsors for their preparation and planning for the week and to the cheerleaders and Mrs. Hohenbery for the awesome hall decorations.

Mrs. Craven also recognized Coach Tom Little on his 100th career win. And she reported that beginning in the spring of 2017, all students in the state of Illinois will be taking the SAT instead of the ACT. Across the state, the ACT has been the traditional college entrance exam; however, we will now begin preparing students to take the SAT.

Ms. Karen Jirjis reported that the science club is up and running. Fifty students have signed up to participate. The sponsor will be holding separate meetings for 7th grade and 8th grade since the numbers are large. Plans are being made to take the 7th and 8th grade students to Springfield in March to attend Doktor Kaboom. This is a high energy science show covering various rocket science topics. Ms. Jirjis reported that the Literacy group is participating for their contest which will be held November 5th in Carthage.

The middle school will be hosting a book fair during parent teacher conferences. Profits will go to help classroom teachers purchase materials for their classrooms and to purchase books for the library.

Mrs. Vicki Phillips presented a DRAFT copy of a strategic plan that included the following goals:

STRATEGIC GOAL 1

BALANCED BUDGET

TO ACHIEVE FINANCIAL STABILITY AND FISCAL INTEGRITY WHILE

**ALIGNING RESOURCES EFFECTIVELY TO PROVIDE A RELENTLESSLY
GROWTH-MINDED EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT**

STRATEGIC GOAL 2

TALENT MAGAGEMENT

**EMPLOY AND RETAIN HIGHLY EFFECTIVE AND QUALIFIED PERSONNEL TO
PROVIDE AND SUPPORT AN EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONEMENT**

**PROMOTING EXPECTATIONS OF EXCELLENCE AND ACHIEVEMENT
FOR ALL STUDENTS**

STRATEGIC GOAL 3

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES THAT ARE SAFE, CLEAN, APPEALING
TO VISIT OR ATTEND AND ASSIST IN THE EDUCATIONAL PROCESS

ACADEMIC GOAL 1: Effective Teaching & Learning of Math/Numeracy based on
Illinois Learning Standards

ACADEMIC GOAL 2: Attending to the Higher than Average Achieving Student with
Curriculum and Pedagogy that is Challenging to Develop Strengths and Weakness
Areas

ACADEMIC GOAL 3: Refining the Practices, Procedures, and Methods of the Current
Special Education Program throughout the District

ACADEMIC GOAL 4: Development of Tier III Interventions for Students Who Are Not
Showing Progress from the Use of All Other Methods Implemented to increase
their Reading Comprehension and Other Academic Skills

ACADEMIC GOAL 5: Science curriculum Revision/Implementation PK through HS
based on the NGSS standards with Vertical Alignment of All Grades

Mrs. Phillips explained that more information about these goals will be forthcoming as
they are vetted with staff and determined to be the goals that we as a District decide
we wish to adopt and work towards.

Mr. Kris Gallaher had nothing new to report.

7. Motion by Blaesing, seconded by Krupps, to go into closed session to discuss items
a) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or
dismissal of specific employees of the School District at 6:38 pm.

Roll call: Blakeley, yea; Fry, yea; Fullerton, yea; Krupps, yea Blaesing, yea.
Motion carried.

8. Motion by Fry, seconded by Fullerton, to return to open session at 7:01 pm.

Roll call: Fry, yea; Fullerton, yea; Krupps, yea; Blaesing, yea; Blakeley, yea.
Motion carried.

9. Motion by Krupps, seconded by Blakeley, to approve the minutes of closed session.

Roll call: Fullerton, yea; Krupps, yea; Blaesing, yea; Blakeley, yea; Fry, yea.
Motion carried.

10. Motion by Blaesing, seconded by Fry, to approve the list below as presented
regarding personnel issues.

Roll call: Krupps, yea; Blaesing, yea; Blakeley, yea; Fry, yea; Fullerton, yea.
Motion carried.

- Hire Sarah Therriault as School Counselor, effective September 22, 2016
- Hire Alicia Grady as Elementary School Cook and Kitchen Supervisor
- Transfer Deb Kemper as HS part time cook
- Transfer Nicole Hester to MS Cook
- Transfer the hybrid MS Cook/Custodian position to a full time Custodian by act of seniority this makes Crystal Norton MS Day Custodian and Peggy Dewitt ES Night Custodian.
- Hire Stephanie Frevert as Elementary School One-on-One Special Ed Paraprofessional contingent upon the student's return to school
- Approve Matt Heldt as a volunteer Assistant for Middle School Girls Basketball
- Approve Amanda Terry as HS Morning Duty Supervisor
- Approve Amanda Terry as Freshman Class Sponsor

11. Motion by Fullerton, seconded by Krupps, to adjourn at 7:03 pm.

Motion carried by acclamation.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY