# BROWN COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1

Mt. Sterling, Illinois September 19, 2022

The 2022-2023 budget hearing was held on Monday evening, September 19, 2022, at 5:45 pm in the Brown County Middle School library. The meeting was called to order by Heath Fullerton. The minutes were recorded by McKenzie Taute

Roll call: Fullerton, yea, Blaesing, yea; Blakeley, absent; Hughes, yea; Eichelberger, yea; Koch, yea; Boylen, 5:51 pm.

Attendance: Lan Eberle, Pollee Craven, Alex Ebbing, Lisa Hannel, Kris Gallaher, McKenzie Taute, Garrett Ingram, Dane Flesner, Terry Ham, Cara Ham, Micah Ham, Melanie Loehr, Sandra Aplogan, Daniel Luthy, Jennifer Ingram, Andrew Wagner, Mary Ingram, Komi Aplogan, Delali Aplogan.

# **Budget Hearing Minutes**

Superintendent, Lan Eberle, presented the Fiscal Year 2023 tentative budget to the board. Each fund was reviewed and expected revenues and expenses were discussed. Eberle thanked the Tracy Family Foundation and Dot Charitable for their generous donations that continue to help the district tackle projects and fund programs.

	Fund 10 Educational	Fund 20 Operations & Maintenance	Fund 30 Debt Service	Fund 40 Transportation	Fund 50 IMRF & SS	Fund 60 Capital Projects	Fund 70 Working Cash	Fund 80 Tort	Fund 90 Fire Prevention & Safety
Beginning fund balance From FY22	\$2,414,990	\$593,198	\$76,472	\$1,254,388	\$165,084	\$1,378,715	\$598,387	\$1,006,803	\$49,576
Revenues									
Local	\$3,079,307	\$596,039	\$707,161	\$623,039	\$341,060	\$544,000	\$60,889	\$1,479,853	\$58,538
State	\$2,982,930	\$0	\$0	\$298,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal	\$571,384	\$47,342	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL REV	\$6,633,621	\$643,381	\$707,161	\$921,039	\$341,060	\$544,000	\$60,889	\$1,479,853	\$58,538
Expenditures									
Instruction	\$4,133,177				\$183,778			\$404,212	
Support services	\$1,825,492	\$629,344		\$927,618	\$169,540	\$119,300		\$834,985	\$20,400
Community Services		\$0		\$0	\$360			\$0	
Payments to other Dist.	\$305,173	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Debt Sevice	\$0	\$0	\$707,561	\$0	\$0			\$0	\$0
Contingencies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXP	\$6,606,848	\$629,344	\$707,561	\$927,618	\$353,678	\$119,300		\$1,239,197	\$20,400
EXCESS REVENUE	\$26,773	\$14,037	-\$400	-\$6,579	-\$12,618	\$424,700	\$60,889	\$240,656	\$38,138
Estimated Fund balance End FY23	\$2,441,763	\$607,235	\$76,072	\$1,247,809	\$152,466	\$1,803,415	\$659,276	\$1,247,459	\$87,714
TOTAL ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE FY 23: \$8,323,209									

Motion by Boylen, seconded by Hughes, to adjourn at 5:56 pm. Motion Carried by Acclamation

# **Regular Board Meeting**

The regular Board of Education meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Heath Fullerton. The minutes were recorded by McKenzie Taute.

Roll call: Fullerton, yea, Blaesing, yea; Blakeley, absent; Hughes, yea; Eichelberger, yea; Koch, yea; Boylen, yea.

**Attendance:** Lan Eberle, Pollee Craven, Alex Ebbing, Lisa Hannel, Kris Gallaher, McKenzie Taute, Garrett Ingram, Dane Flesner, Terry Ham, Cara Ham, Micah Ham, Melanie Loehr, Sandra Aplogan, Daniel Luthy, Jennifer Ingram, Andrew Wagner, Mary Ingram, Komi Aplogan, Delali Aplogan.

## **Visitors:**

Mr. Ebbing recognized Brown County Middle School Student of the Month, Micah Ham. Ebbing said Micah was nominated by Mrs. Dormire for his growth over the last year and positive personality.

Mrs. Craven recognized Brown County High School Student of the Month, Sandra Aplogan. Craven said Sandra was nominated by Ms. Ealy for her positive attitude and her continued success both in and out of the classroom.

Members from the Brown/Schuyler CEO program addressed the board regarding the program. Mia Blaesing, Melanie Loehr, Sandra Aplogan, and Daniel Luthy thanked the board for giving them the opportunity to participate in the CEO program. Members noted how much the program has helped them grow and work on skills that will help them both in the classroom and later in life.

## **Public Comment:**

Dane Flesner addressed the board regarding the revised Junior High Athletic Policy. Flesner urged the board to reconsider the policy change and revert to the prior policy.

Garrett Ingram addressed the board regarding the revised Junior High Athletic Policy. Ingram stressed the importance of sports participation at the youth level. Ingram asked the board to reconsider the policy change.

# Motion by Hughes, seconded by Blaesing, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Roll call: Fullerton, yea, Blaesing, yea; Hughes, yea; Eichelberger, yea; Koch, yea; Boylen, yea. **Motion Carried** 

**Correspondence:** Fullerton thanked Brown County State Bank for their donation in the amount of \$522.71.

## Reports:

Mrs. Craven reminded the board that the Gold Star riders would be by the high school on 9/20 around 2:00 pm.

Mr. Ebbing noted 8<sup>th</sup> grade had 52% of its students performing at high average to high on recent MAP assessments.

Mrs. Hannel said they are wrapping up MAP assessments at the elementary school. Hannel also mentioned that the assessment scores that have been reported look very good.

#### **Discussion Items:**

**Fundraising:** Eberle thanked the community for their recent efforts to fundraise on behalf of the district. Eberle went on to say that the use of the district's EIN raises a red flag for the district's business office and auditor.

**All-Weather Track**: Eberle said that although the district was excited to move forward with the installation of an all-weather track, the team felt it was important to prioritize the needs of the district before committing to providing in-kind money for the project.

**Transfinder:** Eberle discussed the features of the Transfinder software and how it would benefit the district's transportation department. Eberle mentioned that Transfinder speaks to the district's student software. This would allow a new student's address to be added to the system and assign them a route and pick up time. Eberle said the initial cost of the software is \$15,000 and includes training.

**Playground Update:** Eberle told the board that he is working with a company to get the playground completed. Eberle went on to say that the slide connections are very complex and require professional installation. The cost of professional installation is between \$6000 - \$8000 and would be paid for using ESSER III funding.

**Update on Support Staff Tuition Reimbursement:** Dr. Eberle spoke about growing within our current staff. He went on to say that adding the possibility of tuition reimbursement in the support staff contract is something being looked into for the next contract negotiation at the end of FY 2023.

**Insurance:** Eberle discussed the upcoming opportunity the district has to join the Central Illinois Educators cooperative. Eberle said competitive premiums are just one reason the district is looking to joining the co-op.

**Speech Service Agreement:** Eberle discussed the district's vacancy in the speech department. Eberle went on to say that the district is currently looking into hiring a virtual speech consultant on an hourly basis to assist with services.

**Possible Easement:** Fullerton spoke about the possibility of an easement for a local farmer on the west side of the agricultural plot.

**October 17, 2022, Next Board Meeting:** Fullerton announced the board meeting will be held in the middle school library on October 17.

Motion by Fullerton, seconded by Koch, to approve the Fiscal Year 2023 Tentative Budget. Roll call: Fullerton, yea, Blaesing, yea; Hughes, yea; Eichelberger, yea; Koch, yea; Boylen, yea. Motion Carried

Motion by Eichelberger, seconded by Boylen, to approve the Superintendent to write for the Maintenance Grant.

Roll call: Fullerton, yea, Blaesing, yea; Hughes, yea; Eichelberger, yea; Koch, yea; Boylen, yea.

#### **Motion Carried**

Motion by seconded by to enter closed session at 6:52 pm for the following subjects: a) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the School District; b) collective negotiating matters between the School District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

Roll call: Fullerton, yea, Blaesing, yea; Hughes, yea; Eichelberger, yea; Koch, yea; Boylen, yea. **Motion Carried** 

# Motion by Boylen, seconded by Fullerton, to exit closed session at 8:09 pm.

Roll call: Fullerton, yea, Blaesing, yea; Hughes, yea; Eichelberger, yea; Koch, yea; Boylen, yea. **Motion Carried** 

Motion by Fullerton, seconded by Eichelberger, to approve the minutes of closed session.

Roll call: Fullerton, yea, Blaesing, yea; Hughes, yea; Eichelberger, yea; Koch, yea; Boylen, yea. **Motion Carried** 

Motion by Koch, seconded by Eichelberger, to reject the district's current Junior High Participation/Tryout Policy.

Roll call: Fullerton, no; Blaesing, yea; Hughes, no; Eichelberger, yea; Koch, yea; Boylen, no. **Motion Failed** 

Motion by seconded by to approve the following personnel action:

# Personnel Listing – September 19, 2022 Approval:

Jessica Robertson – Assistant Business Manager – effective 10/03/2022 Sandy Fry – Elementary School Custodian – effective 09/14/2022 Sadie Abney – Elementary School Paraprofessional – effective 09/20/2022

# **Resignation:**

Sandy Prather – High School Track Coach – effective 08/17/2022 Jennifer Van Giesen – Middle School Science Club Sponsor – effective 09/15/2022

#### Retirement:

Teri Huston – Bus Driver – effective 10/27/2022

Roll call: Fullerton, yea, Blaesing, yea; Hughes, yea; Eichelberger, yea; Koch, yea; Boylen, yea. **Motion Carried** 

Motion by Eichelberger, seconded by Boylen, to adjourn at 8:13 pm. Motion Carried by Acclamation