

BROWN COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1

Mt. Sterling, Illinois

September 16, 2024

A special board meeting was held on September 16, 2024, at 5:15 p.m. in the Brown County Middle School library. The meeting was called to order by Dawn Hughes. The meeting minutes were recorded by McKenzie Taute.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Boylen, absent; Koch, yea; Eichelberger, absent; Ingram, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Attendance: Pollee Craven, Alex Ebbing, Lisa Hannel, Kris Gallaher, Jessica Robertson, McKenzie Taute.

Eberle discussed the Fiscal Year 2025 tentative budget. Eberle projected that all funds would end with a surplus with the exception of the Debt Service Fund and the Capital Projects Fund. Eberle explained that the existing fund balance would cover the gap in Debt Service Fund. Eberle discussed continued renovations were the cause of deficit in the Capital Project Fund, noting the carryover fund balance would take care of the additional expenses.

**Brown County CUSD #1 - Tentative Budget
Fiscal Year 2025**

	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 FY24	\$3,665,241	\$986,565	\$1,659,224	\$1,847,120	\$417,123	\$20,249,422	\$779,471	\$1,353,460	\$146,035
Revenues									
Local	\$3,240,960	\$1,231,926	\$1,441,818	\$700,007	\$267,712	\$648,500	\$89,332	\$1,620,972	\$68,006
State	\$3,101,420	\$50,000	\$0	\$334,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal	\$686,547	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL REV	\$7,028,927	\$1,281,926	\$1,441,818	\$1,034,007	\$267,712	\$648,500	\$89,332	\$1,620,972	\$68,006
Expenditures									
Instruction	\$4,126,262				\$90,110			\$499,065	
Support services	\$2,059,098	\$592,745		\$619,107	\$172,795	\$11,124,500		\$976,153	\$14,000
Community Services	\$329,365	\$0		\$0	\$300			\$0	
Payments to other Dist.	\$336,550	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
Debt Service	\$0	\$0	\$2,228,050	\$0	\$0			\$0	\$0
Contingencies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	\$0
TOTAL EXP	\$6,851,275	\$592,745	\$2,228,050	\$619,107	\$263,205	\$11,124,500	\$0	\$1,475,218	\$14,000
EXCESS REVENUE	\$177,652	\$689,181	-\$786,232	\$414,900	\$4,507	-\$10,476,000	\$89,332	\$145,754	\$54,006
Estimated Fund balance End FY25	\$3,842,893	\$1,675,746	\$872,992	\$2,262,020	\$421,630	\$9,773,422	\$868,803	\$1,499,214	\$200,041
Renovation Payments: \$10,984,234.14					TOTAL ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE FY 25: \$21,416,761				
Student Activity Accounts: \$237,163									

Motion by Koch, seconded by Reische, to adjourn at 5:20 p.m.

Motion Carried by Acclamation

Regular Meeting Minutes

The regular Board of Education meeting was called to order at 5:28 p.m. by Dawn Hughes. The meeting minutes were recorded by McKenzie Taute.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Boylen, absent; Koch, yea; Eichelberger, absent; Ingram, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Attendance: Pollee Craven, Alex Ebbing, Lisa Hannel, Kris Gallaher, Jessica Robertson, McKenzie Taute, Dylan Reische, Michelle Reische, Alex Geisler, Jerad Geisler, Zoey Geisler, Braxton Geisler, Vada Geisler.

Visitors:

Mr. Ebbing recognized Brown County Middle School Student of the Month, Zoey Geisler.

Mrs. Craven recognized Brown County High School Student of the Month, Dylan Reische.

Motion by Gregory, seconded by Koch, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Ingram, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Correspondence:

Hughes thanked Brown County State Bank for their monthly Affinity Card donation in the amount of \$434.11.

Reports:

Mrs. Craven noted a successful homecoming week and thanked all involved for their participation.

Discussion Items:

Building Project Update: Eberle reported that the concrete work on the addition is complete and vertical work will begin soon. Eberle also discussed continued progress on the cafeteria additions. Eberle said the current plan is to have the addition complete and begin transitioning classrooms to the new space over Christmas break.

Cross Country: Eberle reported that only two students are currently participating in Cross Country. He explained that the sport will be tough to support with such low numbers.

ATV/UTV: Eberle mentioned the deteriorating condition of the district's current golf cart used for athletics and maintenance. He explained that Athletic Director, Dave Phelps, had put together a few UTV options ranging in price from \$9,000 to \$15,000. Eberle explained that funding could come from the BC Extracurricular activity account. Eberle discussed reaching out for a few more options and revisiting the topic at a future meeting.

Outside Food and Drink: Mrs. Craven reported that they have been receiving a lot of negative feedback regarding prohibited outside food and drink at extracurricular events. Eberle explained that it's difficult to secure ticket takers due to individuals not wanting to deal with the conflict. Eberle discussed increased signage and reaching out to neighboring districts to check their policies.

Motion by Koch, seconded by Gregory, to approve the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Ingram, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Motion by Ingram, seconded by Koch, to approve the Second Reading of Press Issue 115 Policy Updates:

- 4:70 Resource Conservation
- 4:80 Accounting Audits
- 5:130 Responsibilities Concerning Internal Information
- 5:200 Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal
- 6:140 Education of Homeless Children
- 2:70-E Exhibit – Checklist for Filling Board Vacancies by Appointment
- 2:160 – E Exhibit – Checklist for Selecting a Board Attorney
- 2:70 Vacancies on Board of Education – Filing Vacancies
- 2:125 Board Member Compensation Expenses
- 2:125 – E1 Exhibit Board Member Expense Reimbursement Form
- 2:125 – E2 Exhibit Board Member Estimated Expense Approval Form
- 2:160 Board Attorney
- 4:15 Identity Protection
- 5:180 Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity
- 5:290 Employment Termination and Suspensions
- 5:310 Compensatory Time-Off
- 6:110 Programs for Students at Risk of Academic Failure
- 6:150 Home and Hospital Instruction
- 7:170 Vandalism

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Ingram, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Motion by Gregory, seconded by Ingram, to approve the Second Reading of Press Issue 116 Policy Updates:

- 2:260 Uniform Grievance Procedure
- 5:100 Staff Development Program
- 7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited
- 7:185 Teen Dating Violence Prohibited
- 2:265 Title IX Grievance Procedure

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Ingram, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Motion by Koch, seconded by Reische, to approve the Closure of the Class of 2024 Student Activity Account.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Ingram, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Motion by Koch, seconded by Ingram, to approve the Opening of the Class of 2028 Student Activity Account.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Ingram, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Motion by Gregory, seconded by Koch, to enter closed session at 5:46 p.m. for the following subjects: 1. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Ingram, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Ingram exited the meeting at 5:48 p.m.

Motion by Koch, seconded by Reische, to return to open session at 5:50 p.m.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Motion by Koch, seconded by Reische, to approve the minutes of closed session.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Motion by Reische, seconded by Koch, to approve the Employment of Teresa Bauer – Class of 2028 Sponsor – effective September 16, 2024.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Motion by Reische, seconded by Koch, to approve the Employment of Stacey Craven – Class of 2028 Sponsor – effective September 16, 2024.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Motion by Reische, seconded by Koch, to approve the Employment of Suzanna Sprague – Evening Custodian – effective September 16, 2024.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Motion by Reische, seconded by Koch, to approve the Transfer of Courtney Rayborn – Long -Term Substitute Modern Business Practices Teacher to Modern Business Practices Teacher – effective September 16, 2024.

Roll call: Hughes, yea; Koch, yea; Reische, yea; Gregory, yea.

Motion Carried

Motion by Koch, seconded by Reische, to adjourn at 5:52 p.m.

Motion Carried by Acclamation