# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FORRESTVILLE VALLEY C.U.S.D. #221 October 29, 2024

The Board of Education of the Forrestville Valley Unit School District #221, Counties of Ogle and Stephenson, Illinois, met in the District Office Conference Room on October 29, 2024, for a special meeting.

#### A. Call to Order

The special meeting was called to order by President Chip Braker at 6:02 p.m.

#### B. Roll Call

Members Present: Chip Braker, Don Cook, Shaun Gallagher, Shawnda Ludwig, and Dr. April Moore

Members Absent: Bob Gronewold, Dr. Craig Pauls

Also Present: Superintendent Sheri Smith, Travis Heinz, and Kyle Zick

# C. Review and Adoption of Board of Education Agenda

A motion was made by Member Gallagher and seconded by Member Cook to adopt the Board of Education agenda as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Gallagher, Cook, Moore, Ludwig, and Braker

NAY: None

Dr. Craig Pauls joined the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

## D. Approval of Hearing Officer

A motion was made by Member Ludwig and seconded by Member Gallagher to approve Mr. Greg Stott as the Hearing Officer. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Ludwig, Gallagher, Cook, Moore, Pauls, and Braker

NAY: None

### E. Closed Session

1. A motion was made by Member Moore and seconded by Member Ludwig to adjourn to closed session at 6:04 p.m. to discuss Student disciplinary cases - 5ILCS120/2(c)(9) and Negotiations (5ILCS120/2(c)(2). On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Moore, Ludwig, Pauls, Cook, Gallagher and Braker

NAY: None

2. A motion was made by Member Moore and seconded by Member Gallagher to return to open session at 6:25 p.m. On a roll call, the motion passed.

YEA: Gallagher, Moore, Cook, Ludwig, Pauls, and Braker

NAY: None

# F. Possible Action Items Resulting From Closed Session

1. Approval of Resolution Authorizing Disciplinary Action for Student #2024-14 A motion was made by Member Gallagher and seconded by Member Pauls to approve the Resolution Authorizing Disciplinary Action for Student #2024-14 as presented. On a roll call vote the motion passed.

YEA: Gallagher, Pauls, Moore, Ludwig, Cook, and Braker

NAY: None

# G. Other Matters to Come to the Attention of the Board

Mr. Gallagher addressed the board regarding potential development opportunities in our district for new construction. He discussed the possibility of offering tax incentives including tax abatement for new developments to help entice new families to move into the district. The board expressed interest in future discussions offering such incentives for new construction.

# H. Adjournment

A motion was made by Member Pauls and seconded by Member Gallagher to adjourn the meeting. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Pauls, Gallagher, Cook, Ludwig, Moore, and Braker

NAY: None

The meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

(President, Board of Education)

William J. Braker

(Secretary, Board of Education)