# KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111 BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES October 23, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 6:00 p.m. in the library at Steuben Elementary School, 520 South Wildwood Avenue, Kankakee, Illinois.

**ROLL CALL** 

Members present: Mary Archie

Jess Gathing, Jr.

Karen Johnston, Vice President

Angela Shea, Secretary Barbara Wells, President

**Darrell Williams** 

Members absent: Joseph Lightfoot

A quorum was declared present.

## **Closed Session**

At 6:00 p.m., motion was made by Johnston, seconded by Williams, to adjourn to closed session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Archie, Gathing, Johnston, Shea, Williams, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The closed session was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

At 7:00 p.m. the regular session was reconvened.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President, Barbara Wells.

Meeting with the Board were:

Dr. Genevra A. Walters, Superintendent Robert Grossi, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Kathleen O'Connor, Assistant Superintendent Vicki Scott, Recording Secretary

There were no news media reporters present.

### Superintendent's Report

Dr. Walters reported the following information:

#### 1. Good News

School	Event	Explanation
Steuben	Donations	<ul> <li>Karen Zigrossi donated backpacks filled with school supplies</li> <li>The Riverview Historic District donated \$50 to the PTO.</li> <li>Blessings in a Back-Pack give weekly donations of food to some of Steuben students for the weekend.</li> </ul>

## 2. Kankakee Fire Department

Dr. Walters introduced Fire Chief Schuldt from the Kankakee Fire Department who presented a "Safe School" traveling trophy to Edison Primary School. Congratulations to Edison staff and students for receiving this award. This school showed the most improvement during fire drills of all the schools in Kankakee. Roll Call

Closed Session

Reconvene

Pledge

Superintendent's Report

Good News

Fire Department

Audit Report

Earmen Huizenga, auditor from Smith, Koelling, Dykstra and Ohm (our independent auditors), presented the audit report. Ms. Huizenga thanked the Board for allowing Smith, Koelling, Dykstra and Ohm the opportunity to perform the District's audit. Ms. Huizenga briefly reviewed the Annual Financial Report that was received by the Board.

Principal's Report – Ms. Ana Kasal, Principal of Steuben

Ms. Kasal's presentation began with Mrs. Dannenhauer's Bright Beginnings Preschool class singing the *Hello Song* in both Spanish and English. She then introduced her staff. Ms. Kasal thanked everyone for the support of their school and the staff for their continued efforts in building relationships.

Ms. Kasal reviewed the PARCC scores from 2015-16 & 2016-17. She stated that moving forward they are establishing new partnerships by aligning practices with national Board Network to Transform Teaching (NT3), continuing growth with the American Institute for Research (AIR), and collaborating with the International Center for Leadership in Education (ICLE).

Ms. Kasal concluded her presentation with a picture that looked into the future of Steuben Elementary School.

### **Public Comments**

• No public comments were made.

## **Consent Agenda**

The following items were presented:

- 1. The Board minutes of the following meeting were presented for approval:
  - October 10, 2017-Regular Meeting (Regular & Executive Session Minutes)
- 2. The **Policy Manual Changes** (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading) were presented for approval.

3. The following personnel items were presented for approval:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Resignations - Licen	sed Educational Professionals	
Scott Horrell	Special Education Teacher at Avis Huff	October 27, 2017
Samuel Jordan	Permanent Substitute at KJHS	October 27, 2017
Resignation - Suppor	t Personnel	
Carma Trowell	Teaching Assistant at Proegler	October 13, 2017
Appointments - Licer	nsed Educational Professionals	
Elizabeth Gibson	Assistant Principal at Taft Primary School	July 1, 2018
Appointments - Supp	ort Personnel	
Michael Costanza	Art Instructor at Kennedy	October 10, 2017
Erika Diaz Andrade	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Bilingual Paraprofessional at Mark Twain	October 30, 2017
Latoya Jones	Full Time Head Start Assistant at Proegler	October 16, 2017
Shannon Lyons	Part-Time Head Start Assistant at YWCA-Head Start	October 16, 2017
Carma Trowell	Family Support Specialist at Proegler	October 13, 2017
Teresa Zamarripa	Migrant Recruiter at Steuben	October 24, 2017
Lisa Zarate	Non-Instructional/Engineering Maker Space Interventionist at Edison	October 13, 2017
Appointments - Extra	-Duty Assignments	
Brian Malliett	Robotics Assistant at KHS	October 23, 2017

President Wells asked if there were any questions, and hearing none, asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion was made by Johnston, seconded by Gathing, to approve the above listed consent agenda items as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Archie, Gathing, Johnston, Lightfoot, Shea, Williams, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Audit Report

Principal's Report

Public Comments

Consent Agenda

**Board Minutes** 

Policy Changes
Personnel Items

Resignations

Appointments

## **Audit Report for FY2017**

President Wells asked if there were any questions, and hearing none, asked for a motion to approve the audit.

Audit Report

Motion was made by Johnston, seconded by Archie, to approve the Audit Report for FY2017 as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Gathing, Johnston, Lightfoot, Shea, Williams, Archie, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

### **Old Business**

No old business was discussed.

Old Business

#### **Information and Proposals**

The following items were provided for information:

Information
Transfer
FOIA

Bills Runs

- 1. Transfer (Support Personnel)
  - > Ty-Isha Williams to Cafeteria Helper at Kennedy, effective on October 16, 2017.
- FOIA Requests
- 3. Bill Runs since September 25, 2017

One of the calendar notes was the next Parent/Community Council Meeting at Mark Twain on November 6th at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Walters said the District has been brainstorming on how to reach more parents and community members. They decided to make the first part of the Parent/Community Council meetings Facebook live from 7:05 to 7:20 p.m. Then from 7:20 to 8:00 p.m., those present will have an opportunity to ask questions.

Calendar Note

At 7:40 p.m. motion was made by Shea, seconded by Gathing, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

Adjourn

SIGNED:		
	Barbara A. Wells, President	
ATTEST:	Angela E. Shoa, Socretary	
VS	Angela F. Shea, Secretary	

Approved: November 13, 2017