

KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.111

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

November 12, 2024

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The Board of Education meeting of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 4:38 p.m. in the Gym at King Middle School, 1440 E Court St, Kankakee, IL 60901.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call

Members Present: Mary Archie
Suzy Berrones, Board Secretary
Christopher Bohlen, Board President
Jess Gathing, Board Vice President
Deb Johnston (Conference Call)
Tracy Verrett
Darrell Williams (Conference Call)

Members Absent: All Present

A quorum was declared present.

Meeting with the Board were:

Dr. Teresa A. Lance, Superintendent
Harrison Neal, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services
Dr. Kelly Gilbert, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum
Dr. James Henderson, Interim Assistant Superintendent of HR
Dr. Stephanie Morgan-Harris, Recruitment & Retention Coordinator.
Rachel Thornton, Recording Secretary
Tammy Ng, IASB PRESS Policy Representative

There were no news reporters present.

Pledge

Chris Bohlen, the board president, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IASB

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Press Plus Policy Discussion with IASB. The board answered questions regarding our policies and procedures. A special board meeting was set for February 6th at 5:00 pm.

Superintendent's
Report

Superintendent's Report

❖ Good News

School	Event	Explanation
LCC	Donation	LCC thanked Christine Anderson & Tara Kanoski for the uniform donations.
King	Donation	King thanked the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Sherwin Willams, for the donation of school supplies.Charleszetta Williams, for the donation of binders and folders.
KJHS	Donation	KJHS thanked the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Bohlen for his donation of books to the Junior High Student Success Center. Our

		<p>children love the KJHS Student Success Center and we love seeing the collection of books grow.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Let's KetchUp for their generous donation of items for the children of our district. <p>Let's Ketchup is a local non-profit group of local businesses supporting local students.</p> <p>The mission of Let's Ketchup is to ensure that no child is left without the resources they need to thrive. Together, they aim to build a brighter future for the next generation of our community.</p>
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- ❖ Instruction
 - Dr. Gilbert discussed the recent surveys of LAA days and the Community Forum on November 18th.
- ❖ Finance
 - Mr. Neal discussed and explained the upcoming tax levy and PTRG.
- ❖ Personnel
 - Dr. Henderson discussed the Golden Apple Accelerator program and recruitment efforts. He discussed vacancies throughout the district and showed a recruitment video.

Principal's Report

Mrs. Jackson started by asking her staff, students, and parents to stand. She discussed Student Demographics, IAR, and STAR Data. She also discussed goals, after-school activities, and monthly temperature checks.

Principal's Report

Public Comments

Name	Topic
Mariah Vail	Ms. Vail discussed Project Immigration Connection.
Evelynn Anthony	Ms. Anthony discussed feeding the Football team and expressed interest in getting sponsors to help feed the football team. Ms. Anthony also discussed having a late transportation activity bus for late practices
Antoinette Williams	Ms. Williams discussed Kankakee Elite making it to the National competition. She also asked for support to help them get to the Nationals.
Lee Flowers	Ms. Flowers discussed the mobiles at KHS, which still have no bathrooms and potholes in the parking lot She thanked Linda Peterson for helping her family and also asked if there is support for families who lose everything.

Public Comments

Consent Agenda

- ❖ The following **Board Minutes** were submitted for approval:
 - Regular Board Minutes October 28, 2024 (Closed & Regular Session)
- ❖ The **Regular Bills** were presented for approval.
- ❖ The **Payroll & Related Bills** were presented for approval.
- ❖ The **Head Start Council Information** was presented for approval.
- ❖ The following **Personnel Items** were presented for approval.

Consent Agenda
Board MinutesRegular Bills
Payroll & Related
Bills
Head Start Policy
Council
Personnel Items

Name	Position	Effective Date
Resignation & Retirement (Support Personnel)		

Resignation/
Retirement

William Frey	Bus Depot	November 5, 2024
Aneycia McWilliams	Childcare Worker at Steuben	November 8, 2024
Victoria Ramos	Head Start Paraprofessional at Proegler	November 1, 2024
Jason Salter	Student Safety Interventionist at King	October 29, 2024
David Williams	Kays Media at KHS	November 1, 2024
Appointment (Licensed Educational Professional)		
Steven Elliott	3rd Grade Math Teacher at Steuben	TBD
Appointment (Support Personnel)		
James Calvin Jr	Night Custodian at KHS	November 13, 2024
Daniela Garcia	Paraprofessional Dual LAnguage at King	November 13, 2024
Marissa Guzman	Paraprofessional at King	November 13, 2024
Shakinah Hunt	Bus Driver	November 13, 2024
Paiton McKinney Allie	Education Support Staff Head Start	November 13, 2024
Coleen Zopf	Bus Driver	November 13, 2024
Appointment (Extra Duty Assignment)		
Colbert, John	KHS & KJHS Orchestra Director	2024-2025 School Year
Wills, David	Director of Black History Program	2024-2025 School Year
Ahlden, Jeremy	Head Tennis Coach	2024-2025 School Year
Wilcox, Ronald	AIM High Director/Supervisor	Through December 22, 2024
Internal Appointment (Licensed Educational Professional)		
Imani Fountain	Childcare Instructor at Proegler	August 19, 2024
Internal Appointment (Support Personnel)		
Jatorri Autman	Paraprofessional PFA	November 13, 2024
Latrice Batey	Student Safety Interventionist at Edison	November 13, 2024
Patrice Batey	Student Safety Interventionist at Mark Twain	November 13, 2024
Janet Gayton	Head Start Paraprofessional	November 13, 2024
Tanajah Hill	Student Safety Interventionist at Mark Twain	TBD

Appointment

Serrine Smith	Student Safety Interventionist at Taft	November 13, 2024
Keyandria White	Student Safety Interventionist at Steuben	November 13, 2024
Leave of Absence (Support Staff)		
Marilyn Jones	Paraprofessional at Avis	October 24 - November 4, 2024
Khyla Smith	Head Start Instructional Coach at Proegler	November 19, 2024- January 3, 2025
Brian Zasada Sr	Bus Driver	October 30, 2024-November 6, 2024

A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Berrones, to approve the consent agenda as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Archie, Berrones, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, and Bohlen. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Action Items

1. Approval of Contract with Take a Stance for the 2024-2025 School Year.

A motion was made by Archie, seconded by Gathing, to approve the contract with Take A Stance for the 2024-2025 school year as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES- Berrones, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, Archie, and Bohlen. NAYS- none. Motion carried.

Information & Proposals

1. Previous Bill Run
2. Head Start Information

Old Business

Announcements

Adjourn

At 8:22 p.m., a motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Archie, to adjourn the meeting—all ayes; motion carried.

SIGNED: _____
Christopher Bohlen, President

ATTEST: _____
Suzy Berrones, Secretary

APPROVED DECEMBER 9, 2024

Action Items
Contract with Take A
Stance for the
2024-2025 School
Year.

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Adjourn