

**KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.111**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

**December 12, 2022**

The regular Board of Education meeting of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 5:34 pm in the multi-purpose room at Taft Primary School 1155 W Hawkins St. Kankakee, IL 60901

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chris Bohlen  
Jess Gathing  
Deb Johnston  
Tracy Verrett, Board Secretary  
Barbara Wells, Board President  
Darrell Williams, Board Vice President

Roll Call

Members Absent: Mary Archie (Absent)

A quorum was declared present.

Closed Session

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At 5:34 pm, a motion was made by Bohlen, seconded by Gathing, to adjourn to closed session to discuss:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors, or specific volunteers of the district, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor, or volunteer of the District or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. ROLL CALL VOTE-Ayes: Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, and Wells.Nays: none. Motion carried.

The closed session was adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Reconvened

The regular session was reconvened at 7:12 pm.

Pledge

Barbara Wells, Board President, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting with the Board were:

- Shemeka Fountain, Assistant Superintendent of HR
- Dr. Genevra Walters, Superintendent
- Rachel Thornton, Recording Secretary.

No news reporters were present.

Superintendent's Report

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- ❖ Instruction
  - Dr. Walters discussed the purchase of materials for the upcoming school year.
- ❖ Finance
  - Dr. Walters discussed what ESSR Funds had been used for so far.
- ❖ Personnel
  - Ms. Fountain discussed the Flu Vaccination Clinic and the partnership with Chicago State University. Ms. Fountain introduced Mrs. Glenn, Assistant Principal at KJHS.

Principals Report

Principal's Report.

Mrs. Leftridge welcomed everyone, introduced her staff, and congratulated Mrs. Hollywood on her retirement. Mrs. Leftridge also showed a brief video.

Public Comments

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There were no public comments made.

Amendments

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President Wells asked for a motion to move the Superintendent Search to Board Report.

A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Johnston, to move the Superintendent's Search to the Board Report. ROLL

CALL VOTE: Ayes- Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, and Wells. Nays: none.

President Wells asked for a motion to table the H-6 Contract with Lexia and I-2 MOU with the Strong House. A motion was made by Williams, seconded by Gathing, to table items H-6 and I-2. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston Verrett, Williams, and Wells. Nays: none Motion Carried.

**Board Report**

- ❖ Superintendent's Search
  - Dr. Gloria Davis presented on the process of the next superintendent's search.
- ❖ IASB Joint Annual Conference
  - The board discussed their Joint Annual Conference experience.

**Consent Agenda**

The following items were presented:

- The following Board Minutes were presented for approval.
  - **November 14, 2022, Regular Board Meeting (Regular & Closed Session)**
- The **Regular Bills** were presented for approval.
- The **Payroll & Related Bills** were presented for approval.
- The **Resolution for the Release of Executive Session Minutes & Destruction of Recordings** was presented for approval.
- The **Overnight Field Trip Request** was presented for approval.
- The **Contract with Better Lesson EL & IM Professional Development** was presented for approval.
- The **Contract with Edmentum** was presented for approval.
- The following **Personnel Items** were presented for approval:

Name	Position	Effective Date
<b>Resignations (Licensed Educational Professional)</b>		
Michael Costanza	Art Instructor at Kennedy Middle School	November 30, 2022
Sarah Foley	Teacher at Kennedy Middle School	November 28, 2022
Gene Harris	Part Time Teacher at Mark Twain	November 18, 2022
Kevin Jurek	Special Education Teacher at Edison	December 9, 2022
<b>Resignations &amp; Retirement (Support Personnel)</b>		
Alejandra Avalos	Parent Educator at Proegler	December 9, 2022
Laura Genson	Family Support Specialist at Proegler	December 2, 2022
Peggy Jackson	Cafeteria Helper at KHS	October 19, 2022
Steven Walls	Behavioral Therapist at Edison	December 16, 2022
<b>Appointment (Licensed Educational Professionals)</b>		
Kimberly Lehnus	Academic Grader at Kennedy	December 5, 2022
Laura Shelly	Academic Grader at Kennedy	December 5, 2022
<b>Appointment (Support Personnel)</b>		
Michael Akins	Night Custodian	December 13th, 2022

Board Report

Consent Agenda

Minutes  
 Regular Bills  
 Payroll & Related Bills  
 Resolution for the release of executive Session Minutes & Destruction of recordings  
 Overnight Filed Trip Request  
 Contract with Better Lesson EL & IM Professional Development  
 Edmentum  
 Personnel Items

Resignations

Appointments

Brooklyn Ault	Head Start Family Support Specialist	TBD
Denareona Fisher	PFAE Paraprofessional at Proegler	December 13, 2022
Rachel Guyton	JROTC Instructor at KHS	January 2, 2022
Brian Jackson	Cafeteria Helper at KJHS	December 13, 2022
Hailey Lamie	Athletic Intern at KHS	November 28, 2022
Maria Lara	Hippocrates Coordinator at LCC	TBD
Adriana Leon-Gonzalez	Bilingual Paraprofessional at Stueben	December 6, 2022
Kaya Mather	Paraprofessional at King	TBD
Lisa Szczepanski	Cafeteria Helper at KJHS	December 13, 2022
Kristen Tolbert	Cafeteria Helper at Montessori	December 13, 2022
<b>Appointment (Extra Duty)</b>		
Brad Benoit	Tri-Music Honor Society st KHS	2022-2023 School Year
Brad Benoit	Auditorium Manager at KHS	2022-2023 School Year
Corsica Campbell	KJHS Track Coach	2022-2023 School Year
Brayia Golden	Head Volleyball Coach at King	2022-2023 School Year
Jazlynn Kennedy	Assistant Track Coach at KHS	2022-2023 School Year
Luke Kwansy	Class Sponsor-Junior	2022-2023 School Year
Cortez Peoples	Assistant Track Coach	2022-2023 School Year
Kyle Stugelmayer	Show Choir Choreographer at KHS	2022-2023 School Year
Kyle Stugelmayer	Spring Musical Choreographer	2022-2023 School Year
Cynthia Talley	KJHS Track Coach	2022-2023 School Year
Sarah Vinardi	Auditorium Manager at KHS	2022-2023 School Year
<b>Internal Appointment (Administrative)</b>		
Stacy Glenn	Assistant Principal at KJHS	December 13, 2022
<b>Internal Appointment (Licenced Educational Professional)</b>		
Jahana Holloway	Internentionist Part Time at King	December 13, 2022
<b>Internal Appointment (Support Personnel)</b>		
Davis Brooks	Head Custodian at King	December 13, 2022
Lyndell Obasiolu	Student Interventionist at Edison	TBD

<b>Salary Adjustment (Support Personnel)</b>		
Erica Baptist	Head Start Assistant Director for Health and Family Involvement	November 1, 2022
Stefanie Hipke	Educational Support at Proegler	January 1, 2023

Salary Adjustment

A motion was made by Gathing and seconded by Johnston to approve the above-listed consent agenda items as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, Bohlen, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Action Item**

Action Items

1. Approval of the 2023-2024 School Calendar

2023-2024 School Calendar

A motion was made by Williams, seconded by Johnston, to approve the 2023-2024 school calendar as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: Johnston, Verrett, Williams, Bohlen, Gathing, and Wells. NAYS: none. Motion Carried..

2. Approval of the Ratification of Maintenance & Skilled Workers Contract July 1, 2022- June 30, 2026.

Ratification of Maintenance & Skilled Workers CContract

A motion was made by Bohlen, seconded by Gathing, to approve the ratification of the Maintenance & Skilled Workers Contract July 1, 2022- June 30, 2026 as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: Verrett, Williams, Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, and Wells. NAYS: none. Motion Carried.NAYS: none. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Board Member Expense Reimbursement.

Board Member Expense Reimbursement

A motion was made by Bohlen, seconded by Williams, to approve the board member expense reimbursement as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: Williams, Bohlen, Gathing (Abstain), Johnston (Abstain), Verrett, and Wells. NAYS: none. Motion Carried.NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Old Business

**Old Business**

New Business

**New Business**

**Information & Proposals**

Information

1. State & Federal Revenue Report
2. State Budget
3. Minimum Wage Increase Information
4. Textbook Update 7th-12th
5. Previous Bill Run
6. CBE Renewal Application

At 8:37 pm, a motion was made by Bohlen, seconded by Gathing, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

Adjourn

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Barbara A. Wells, President

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracy Verrett, Secretary

**APPROVED JANUARY 9, 2023**