

**KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.111
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
February 24, 2022**

The special Board of Education meeting of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 6:34 pm in the Auditorium at Kankakee Junior High School 2250 E Crestwood St, Kankakee, IL 60901.

ROLL CALL

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

Members Absent: All Present

A quorum was declared present.

Closed Session

At 6:34 pm, a motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Johnston, 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: Archie, Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, and Wells, Nays: none. Motion carried.

The closed session was adjourned at 7:09 pm.

At 7:12 PM, the regular session was reconvened.

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

Meeting with the Board were:
Dr. Geneva Walters, Superintendent
Rachel Thornton, Recording Secretary

Stephanie Markham from the Daily Journal was present.

Public Comments

The following public comment was made.

Name	Topic
Michael Costanza	Mr. Costanza discussed his concerns regarding the lack of knowledge regarding the weeding process.
Ashley Noble/Saniya Noble	Mrs. Noble and her daughter Saniya discussed concerns regarding the volleyball coach at KJHS.
Cornelia Farrell	Ms. Farrell discussed her concerns regarding the KJHS volleyball coach.

Superintendent's Report

Roll Call

Closed Session

Reconvened

Pledge

Public Comments

- Mask Update.- Dr. Walters discussed the mask mandate and what the recent court decision means. Thought exchange was presented to the board and answered any questions.

Superintendent's Report

Action Items

1. Approval of Contract with Thought Exchange.

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Contract with Thought
Exchange

A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Archie, to approve the contract with Thought Exchange as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Archie, Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

At 7:56 pm, a motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Archie, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

Adjourn

SIGNED:

Barbara A. Wells, President

ATTEST:

Tracy Verrett, Secretary**APPROVED March 8, 2022**