

KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.111
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
March 11, 2024

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The Board of Education meeting of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 5:04 p.m. in the Cafeteria at Kankakee Junior High School, 2250 E Crestwood St., Kankakee, IL 60901.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call

Members Present: Suzy Berrones, Board Secretary
Chris Bohlen, Board President
Jess Gathing, Board Vice President
Deb Johnston

Members Absent: Mary Archie (Absent)
Tracy Verrett (entered at 5:12 pm)
Darrell Williams (Absent)

A quorum was declared present.

Closed Session

Closed Session

At 5:04 pm, a motion was made by Johnston, seconded by Berrones, 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.
- ❖ Collective Negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.
- ❖ The purchase or lease of property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired.

Reconvene

Pledge

The Regular Session was reconvened at 7:20 p.m.

Chris Bohlen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting with the Board were:

Dr. Geneva A. Walters, Superintendent
Shemeka Fountain, Assistant Superintendent of HR
Rachel Thornton, Recording Secretary

Stephanie Markham from the Daily Journal was present.

Superintendent's
Report

Superintendent's Report

- ❖ Instruction
 - Ms. Fountain discussed the Black Expo and thanked everyone involved in this year's event.
- ❖ Finance
 - Dr. Walters discussed the audit presentation.
- ❖ Personnel
 - Ms. Fountain discussed the recent job fairs and hiring for next school year.

Principals Report

Mrs. Glenn discussed goals, introduced her staff, thanked them for their work, and played a brief video. Mrs. Glenn then discussed the retirees.

Principals Report

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Public Comments

Consent Agenda

- ❖ The following **Board Minutes** were submitted for approval:
 - Special Board Minutes February 26, 2024 (Closed & Regular Session)
- ❖ The **Regular Bills** were presented for approval.

Consent Agenda

Board Minutes

- ❖ The **Payroll & Related Bills** were presented for approval.
- ❖ The following **Personnel Items** were presented for approval.

Name	Position	Effective Date
Resignation & Retirement (Licensed Educational Professional)		
Mariza Avalos	Bilingual Instructor at King	March 15, 2024
Valeria Johnson	Permanent Substitute at Mark Twain	March 5, 2024
Resignation & Retirement (Support Personnel)		
Diedra Dockery	Childcare Worker at Steuben	February 2, 2024
Kim Kelly	Part-Time Driver	July 3, 2023
Pable Shoreque	Fill-Time Bus Driver	August 17, 2024
Appointments (Support Personnel)		
Mark Bynum	Full-Time Driver	TBD
Cynthia Fleming	Full-Time Monitor	February 29, 2024
Shaqrina Hall	Full-Time Monitor	March 1, 2024
Jashika Hunter	Full-Time Driver	TBD
Brandi Justice	Head Start Paraprofessional	TBD
Dwayne Owens	Fill-Time Bus Driver	TBD
Ramon Ramos	Full-Time Driver	TBD
Ashley Rozga	Full-Time Monitor	March 1, 2024
Internal Appointment(Support Personnel)		
Anabel Canales	Bilingual Paraprofessional	January 22, 2024

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

Action Items

1. Approval of the Dismissal of Licensed Employee.

A motion was made by Gathing and seconded by Johnston to approve the dismissal of a licensed employee as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Berrones, Johnston, Verrett, and Bohlen. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Information & Proposals

1. Previous Bill Run

Old Business

Regular Bills
Payroll & Regular Bills

Personnel Items

Resignation/Retirement

Appointment

Action Items

Dismissal of Licensed
Employee

Information &
Proposals

Old Business

Adjourn

At 7:41 p.m., a motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Johnston, to adjourn the meeting—all ayes; motion carried.

Adjourn

SIGNED:

Christopher Bohlen, President

ATTEST:

Suzy Berrones, Secretary

APPROVED MARCH 25, 2024