

KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.111
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
May 2, 2023

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The regular Board of Education meeting of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 6:10 pm in the Kankakee High School, 1200 W. Jeffery St. Kankakee, IL 60901.

ROLL CALL

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

Roll Call

Members Absent:

A quorum was declared present.

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

Pledge

Meeting with the Board were:

Dr. Geneva A Walters, Superintendent
Rachel Thornton, Recording Secretary

Stephanie Markham from the Daily Journal was present.

Public Comments

There were no public comments made.

Public Comments

Board Report

- ❖ Developing Capacity Coaching Teacher Experience Survey Results
 - This will be discussed at the next Board Meeting.

Board Report

School Board Election

A motion was made by Williams, seconded by Johnston, to certify the election results. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES; Archie, Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, and Wells. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

School Board election

Reorganization of the Board

- ❖ Oath of Office-
 - Chris Bohlen, Suzy Berrones, and Deb Johnston took the Oath of office.
- ❖ Adjournment of Old Board "Sine Die"
 - A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Archie, to adjourn the current board Sine Die. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES- Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, Archie and Wells. NAYS- none. Motion Carried.
- ❖ Dr. Walters presented Barbara Wells with gifts and thanked her for her service to the district. Mrs. Wells wished the new board well and discussed the work ahead for the board.
- ❖ Seating of the New Board
 - The new board was seated.
- ❖ Appointment of President Pro Tem
 - Mary Archie made a motion, and Chris Bohlen seconded to nominate Jess Gathing to be President Pro Tem. There were no other nominations.
- ❖ Roll Call
 - Present:
 - Mary Archie

Reorganization of the Board

Sine Die

Seating of the New Board

Roll Call

- Suzy Berrones
- Christopher Bohlen
- Jess Gathing
- Deb Johnston
- Tracy Verrett
- Darrell Williams

Election of Officers

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- ❖ Board President Nominations
 - Mary Archie Nominated Jess Gathing as President, but Jess declined.
 - Jess Gathing nominated Chris Bohlen for president, and Deb Johnston Seconded. 4 ayes-
 - Mary Archie nominated Darrell Williams as president three ayes
- ❖ Board Vice President
 - Chris Bohlen nominated Jess Gathing as Vice President- 5 ayes
 - Darrell Williams nominated Mary Archie as Vice President- 2 ayes
- ❖ Secretary
 - Darrell Williams nominated Tracy Verrett - 3 ayes
 - Deb Johnston nominated Suzy Berrones - 4 ayes
- ❖ Board of Education Meeting Schedule for 2023-2024
 - A motion was made by Johnston, seconded by Gathing, to approve the Board of education Meeting Schedule for the 2023-2024 and Committee Meeting Schedule School Year. ROLL CALL VOTE: Johnston, Verrett, Williams, Archie, Berrones, Bohlen, and Gathing. Motion Carried
- ❖ Appointment of Committee Assignments
 - Mr Bohlen stated he would like to have three members and the Board president on each committee. Mr. Bohlen stated he would like the Chairs to be:
 - Policy - Williams
 - Finance - Gathing
 - HR - Johnston
 - Curriculum - Berrones
 - All agreed. All other members will be discussed at the next board meeting along with other district committees.
- ❖ Appointment of Adopt-A-School Assignments
 - LCC - Johnston
 - KHS - Williams
 - King - Gathing
 - All other schools will be discussed at the next board meeting.
- ❖ KFT Informal Meeting Schedule
 - A motion was made by Johnston, seconded by Gathing to approve the 2023-2024 KFT Meeting Schedule. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES - Verrett, Williams, Archoe, Berrones, Bohlen, Gathing, and Johnston. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Board of Education Meeting Schedule

Appointment of Assignment Committees

Adopt-A School

KFT Informal

Closed Session

At 6:42 pm, a motion was made by Williams, 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.

Closed Session was adjourned at 7:15 pm

At 7:20 pm, a motion was made by Williams, seconded by Johnston, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

SIGNED: _____
Christopher Bohlen, President

ATTEST: _____
Suzy Berrones, Secretary

APPROVED JUNE 12, 2023