

KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.111
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
May 8, 2023

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The regular Board of Education meeting of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 5:05 pm in the Cafeteria at KJHS, 2250 E Crestwood St. Kankakee, IL 60901.

ROLL CALL

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

Roll Call

Members Absent: Mary Archie (entered at 5:29 pm)

A quorum was declared present.

Closed Session

Closed Session

At 5:05 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.

The closed session was adjourned at 6:59 pm.

The regular session was reconvened at 7:09 pm.

Reconvene

Chris Bohlen, Board President, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge

Meeting with the Board were:

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

Stephanie Markham from the Daily Journal was present.

Superintendent's Report

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- ❖ Developing Capacity Coaching Teacher Experience Survey Results
 - Dr. Fisher and Dr. Heiser presented the teacher experience survey.
- ❖ Instruction
 - Dr. Walters discussed the contract with TNTP. Jennifer Way presented on the TNTP partnership.
- ❖ Finance
 - Mr. Savage discussed the Request for Qualification for the Audit, Instrument, Chairs, and Lunch Tables.
- ❖ Personnel
 - Ms. Fountain discussed the current open positions.

Principal's Report

Public Comments

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Name	Topics
Ruebena Parnell	Mrs. Parnell asked questions regarding graduation.
Marilean Varela	Ms. Varela discussed issues with graduation at KHS.

Aaron Clark	Mr. Clark discussed his concern with the new superintendent not supporting the current partnerships.
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Board Report

Consent Agenda

The following items were presented:

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- ❖ The following Board Minutes were presented for approval.
 - **April 17, 2023, Regular Board Meeting (Regular & Closed Session)**
- ❖ The **Payroll & Related Bills** were presented for approval.
- ❖ The **Regular Bills** were presented for approval.
- ❖ The **Purchase of Studies Weekly** was presented for approval.
- ❖ The **Contract with ECRA Group** was presented for approval.
- ❖ The **Head Start Policy Council Documents** were presented for approval.
- ❖ The **Girls & Boys Swim Cooperative Agreement** was presented for approval.
- ❖ The **Girls & Boys Tennis Cooperative Agreement** was presented for approval.
- ❖ The following **Personnel Items** were presented for approval:

Minutes

Regular Bills
Payroll & Related Bills
Studies Weekly
ECRA Contract
Head Start Policy Council
Girls & Boys Swim Coop
Girls & Boys Tennis Coop

Personnel

Name	Position	Effective Date
Resignation (Administrative Personnel)		
Heather Giles	Assistant Principal at Taft	End of 2022-2023 School Year
Resignations & Retirements (Licensed Educational Professional)		
Kathryn Henderson	1st Grade Science Magnet at Taft	December 22, 2023
Laura Henderson	Social Worker at KJHS	End of 2022-2023 School Year
Oachia Irvin	Kindergarten Teacher at Taft	End of 2023-2024 School Year
Resignation & Retirements (Support Personnel)		
Debra Bennett	Culinary Liaison at KHS	End of 2022-2023 School Year
Brenda Tate	Paraprofessional at Edison	End of 2023-2024 School Year
Jailia Hill	Childcare Worker at Steuben	May 2, 2023
Appointment (Administrative Personnel)		
Jonathan Clark	Assistant Principal at Taft	July 1, 2023
Appointment (Licensed Educational Professionals)		
Kaylee Coffey-Ratliff	Social Studies Teacher at KHS	August 17, 2023
Amy Robertson	Math Teacher at KHS	August 17, 2023
Appointment (Support Personnel)		
Juana Moncada-Munoz	Bilingual Paraprofessional at King	TBD
Jose Ochoa-Almanza	Bilingual Paraprofessional at KHS	May 1, 2023
Pamela Asbell	Bus Monitor	TBD
Roberta Asher	Bus Monitor	TBD

Resignations & Retirements

Appointments

Shanika Boyd	Bus Monitor	TBD
Christopher Brock	Bus Driver	TBD
Renata Burks	Bus Monitor	TBD
Troy Carter	Bus Driver	TBD
Robert Chillis	Bus MOnitor	TBD
Norman Clark	Bus Driver	TBD
Carolyn Cousar	Bus Driver	TBD
David Crayton	Bus Driver	TBD
Margaret Doss	Bus Monitor	TBD
Kieth Foreman	Bus Driver	TBD
Elaine Hoang	Bus Driver	TBD
Shanita Isom	Bus Monitor	TBD
Lynette Johnson	Bus Monitor	TBD
Gregory Keel	Bus Driver	TBD
Edward Lahners	Bus Driver	TBD
Rochelle Martin	Bus Driver	TBD
Gloria McGill	Bus Monitor	TBD
Reubena Parnell	Bus Monitor	TBD
Carolyn Rowe	Bus Driver	TBD
Sharron Simmons	Bus Monitor	TBD
Peggy Wolf	Bus Driver	TBD
Internal Appointment (Administrative Personnel)		
Stacy Glenn	Principal at KJHS	July 1, 2023
Dr. Dawn Hill	Principal at Kennedy Middle School	July 1, 2023
Candise Jackson	Principal at King Middle School	JULY 1, 2023
Pamela Saffore	Principal at Mark Twain	July 1, 2023
Gina Turro	Assistant Principal at King	July 1, 2023
Adrienne West	Principal at LCC	July 1, 2023
Internal Appointment (Support Personnel)		

Ricky Austin	Street Outreach Worker	May 9, 2023
Salary Adjustment (Support Personnel)		
Tina Flores-Munoz	Head Start Paraprofessional	February 17, 2023

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

Action Item

1. Approval of Contract with Elevate for the 2023-2024 School Year.

A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Williams, to approve the contract with Elevate for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES- Berrones, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, Archie, and Bohlen. NAYS:, none. Motion carried.

2. Approval of the Recommendation of Salary Increases for Administrators (2023-2024 School Year)
3. Approval of the Recommendation of Salary Increases for Special Other Non-certified Employees (2023-2024 School Year)

A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Williams, to approve the recommendation of salary increases for administrators and the recommendation of salary increases for special other non-certified as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES- Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, Archie, Berrones, and Bohlen. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

4. Approval to Purchase Band Instruments & Accessories.

A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Johnston, to approve the purchase of band instruments & accessories as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES- Johnston, Verrett, Williams, Archie, Berrones, Gathing, and Bohlen. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

5. Approval to Purchase 300 Student Desks From Midwest Educational Furnishings.
6. Approval to Purchase 23 Cafeteria Tables from Midwest Educational Furnishings.

A motion was made by Williams, seconded by Johnston, to approve the purchase of 300 student desks from Midwest Educational Furnishings and to purchase 23 cafeteria tables from Midwest Educational Furnishings as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES- Verrett, Williams, Archie, Berrones, Gathing, Johnston, and Bohlen. NAYS- none. Motion carried

Old Business

1. Adopt A School Assignments
2. Committee Assignments
- 3.

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

Information & Proposals

1. Freedom of Information Request
2. Previous Bill Run
3. State & Federal Revenue Report
4. Budget Update
5. Head Start Information

Action Items

Contract with Elevate for the 2023-2024 School Year.

Recommendation of Salary Increases for Administrators (2023-2024 School Year)

Recommendation of Salary Increases for Special Other Non-certified Employees (2023-2024 School Year)

Purchase Band Instruments & Accessories

Purchase 23 Cafeteria Tables from Midwest Educational Furnishings.

Purchase 300 Student Desks From Midwest Educational Furnishings.

Old Business

Information

At 8:25 pm, 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 JUNE 12, 2023