

KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.111
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
July 12, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 5:09 p.m. in the Auditorium at Kankakee High School 1200 W. Jeffery St. Kankakee, IL.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mary Archie
Chris Bohlen
Jess Gathing Jr.
Tracy Verrett, Board Secretary
Darrell Williams, Vice President

Roll Call

Members Absent: Deb Johnston (entered at 5:12 pm via conference call)
Barbara Wells, Board President (entered at 5:15 pm)

A quorum was declared present.

Closed Session

At 5:09 p.m., a motion was made by Bohlen, seconded by Archie 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 or legal counsel for 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, Verrett, and Williams.. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Closed Session

The closed session was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

At 8:12p.m., the regular session was reconvened.

Reconvene

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Barb Wells, Board President

Pledge

Meeting with the Board were:

Felice Hybert, Assistant Superintendent
Shemeka Fountain, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Nicole Terrell-Smith, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Geneva Walters, Superintendent
Rachel Thornton, Recording Secretary

There were no reporters present.

Superintendent's Report

- ❖ Youth Empowerment Update:
 - Juana Perez, Sydney Christon, and Shaquille Powell presented on the Youth Empowerment Program.
- ❖ Instruction:
 - Ms. Hybert sent her condolences to all families who have lost loved ones recently. She also thanked Food Service for catering the recent Administrator training and clarified how summer learning works.
- ❖ Finance:
 - Dr. Nicole Terrell-Smith discussed updates on the budget.
- ❖ Personnel:
 - Ms. Fountain discussed the paraprofessional contract, filling positions for the upcoming school year, and new teacher orientation.

Superintendent's Report

Public Comments

The following public comments were made.

Name	Topic
Gloria Kennedy	Mrs. Kennedy discussed her concerns regarding her termination.
Robert Ellington Snipes	Mr. Snipes discussed the paraprofessional contract and thanked everyone involved with the contract. Mr. Snipes also discussed his concerns regarding the termination of Gloria Kennedy.

A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Verrett to Table item 10 (Termination) in personnel of the consent agenda until the next Board Meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE- Ayes: Archie, Gathing, Verrett, and Williams. Nays: Bohlen, Johnston, and Wells. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

The following items were presented:

- The following Board Minutes were presented for approval:
 - June 14, 2021, Regular Board Meeting (Regular & Closed Session)
- The **Regular Bills** were presented for approval. (insert A)
- The **Payroll & Related Bills** were presented for approval (insert B).
- The **Resolution for Release of Executive Session Minutes and Destruction of Minutes** was presented for approval.
- The **Appointment of IMRF Authorized Agent** was presented for approval.
- The **Approval of ECRA Amended Contract** was presented for approval.
- The following **Personnel Items** were presented for approval:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Resignations & Retirements (Licensed Educational Professional)		
Conner Allison	Orchestra Teacher at KHS/KJHS	End of 2020-2021 School Year
Stephanie Huesman	Social Studies Teacher at KHS	End of 2020-2021 School Year
Francisca Howdeshell	Preschool Teacher at Steuben	End of 2020-2021 School Year
Keri Johnson	Kindergarten Teacher at Montessori	End of 2020-2021 School Year
David Knudson	Art Teacher at KHS	End of 2020-2021 School Year
Cheree McDaye	Special Education Teacher at Proegler	End of 2020-2021 School Year
Emily Missaggia	English Teacher at KHS	End of 2020-2021 School Year
Camille Msall	Part-Time Special Ed Teacher at KHS	End of 2020-2021 School Year
Barbara Newman	Art Teacher at KHS	End of 2020-2021 School Year
Alex Pederson	Social Studies Teacher at KHS	End of 2020-2021 School Year
Retirement & Resignations (Support Personnel)		
Jamiya Bates	Head Start Paraprofessional at Proegler	End of 2020-2021 School Year
Cheryl Bischert	Food Service at Proegler	November 19, 2021
Appointments (Licensed Educational Professional)		

Public Comments

Consent Agenda

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Personnel Items

Resignations/Retirements

Michael Bennett-Tejas	Remote/Hybrid Science Teacher at KJHS	August 16, 2021
Matthew Donley	Social Studies Teacher at KHS	August 16, 2021
Dr. Jodi Latham	English Teacher at KHS	August 16, 2021
Appointments (Support Personnel)		
Marlin Peoples	Night Custodian at KJHS	July 13, 2021
Mikel Ziller	Night Custodian at KHS	July 13, 2021
Internal Appointments (Licensed Educational Professional)		
Melissa Denoyer	Full-Time Reading Interventionist	August 16, 2021
Brianna Lausch	Special Education Instructor at Avis Huff	August 16, 2021
Tabled until next Board Meeting		
Termination (Support Personnel)		
Gloria Kennedy	Project Manager-R3 Grant/Youth Empowerment Program	TBD

Appointments

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

Action Items

1. Approval of Resolution to Appoint Dr. Nicole Terrell-Smith as School Treasurer of Kankakee School District.

Action Items
Resolution to Appoint Dr.
Nicole Terrell Smith at School
Treasurer

A motion was made by Gathing and seconded by Bohlen to approve the resolution to appoint Dr. Nicole Terrell-Smith as school treasurer of Kankakee School District as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, and Wells. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

2. Approval of Ratification of Paraprofessional Contract

Ratification of
Paraprofessional Contract

A motion was made by Bohlen and seconded by Gathing to approve ratification of the paraprofessional contract as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Johnston, Verrett, Williams, Archie, Bohlen, Gathing and Wells. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

3. Approval for Network of College Success Contract

Network for college Success

A motion was made by Gathing and seconded by Bohlen to approve the network of college success contract as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Verrett, Williams, Archie, Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, and Wells. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

4. Approval of District Consolidated Plan

District Consolidated Plan

A motion was made by Gathing and seconded by Archie to approve the district consolidated plan as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Williams, Archie, Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, and Wells. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gathing and seconded by Bohlen to unify action items five, six, and seven. ROLL CALL VOTE: Archie, Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Unity Action Items five, six,
and seven

5. Approval to Consider the 2nd Ward of Kankakee (from East Ave to Nelson Ave) to Qualify as a Hazard.

6. Approval to Consider the 6th Ward of Kankakee (from Wildwood Ave to Interstate 57) to Qualify as a Hazard.
7. Approval to Consider the 7th Ward of Kankakee (from Sibley Ave to Interstate 57) to Qualify as a Hazard

A motion was made by Bohlen and seconded by Gathing to approve action item 5. approval to consider the 2nd ward of Kankakee (from East Ave to Nelson Ave) to qualify as a hazard, action Item 6. approval to consider the 6th ward of Kankakee (from wildwood Ave to Interstate 57) to qualify as a hazard, and action Item 7. approval to consider the 7th ward of Kankakee (from Sibley Ave to Interstate 57) to qualify as a hazard as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, Archie, and Wells NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Old Business

No old business was discussed.

Information and Proposals

1. Previous Bill Run
2. Budget Update
3. State and Federal Revenue Report

Before Adjourning the Board discussed scheduling a Special Board Meeting. The board decided to have a Special Board Meeting on July 20, 2021, with a closed session starting a 5:30 pm.

At 8:48 p.m, A motion was made by Gathing and seconded by Archie to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

SIGNED: _____
Barbara A. Wells, Board President

ATTEST: _____
Tracy Verrett, Board Secretary

APPROVED July 26, 2021

Consider the 2nd ward of Kankakee a hazard.

Consider the 6th Ward of Kankakee a Hazard.

Consider 7th Ward of Kankakee a Hazard.

Old Business

Information
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Adjourn