

KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.111
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
July 27, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County Illinois, was held at 6:01 PM., in the Auditorium at Kankakee High School, 1200 W. Jeffery Street Kankakee, IL 60901.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Mary Archie
Jess Gathing, Jr. Vice President
Deb Johnston
Angela Shea, Secretary

Members Absent: Darrell Williams (entered at 6:01 pm)
Barbara Wells, President (entered at 6:05 pm)
Christopher Bohlen (entered at 6:05 pm)

A quorum was declared present.

Closed Session

At 6:01 p.m., a motion was made by Shea, seconded by Archie, to adjourn to closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity, ROLL CALL VOTE-Ayes: Archie, Gathing, Johnston, and Shea Nays: none. Motion carried.

The closed session was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

At 7:06 p.m., the regular session was reconvened.

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

Meeting with the Board were:

Felice Hybert, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Kathleen O'Connor, Assistant Superintendent
Robert Grossi, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Geneva Walters, Superintendent
Rachel Thornton, Recording Secretary

There were no news reporters present.

Superintendent's Report

❖ Good News:

School	Event	Explanation
Proegler	Funding Awarded	The Head Start program has been awarded one-time funds of \$336,583 to prevent, prepare, and respond to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). This funding will provide support for the Kankakee School District food truck and minor renovations at Proegler, such as installing sinks in classrooms and a dishwasher for the kitchen. Other expenditures will include a washer and dryer and supplies needed to provide a healthy and safe

		learning environment for staff and students.
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- ❖ Plan for Opening School First Quarter 2020-2021
 - Dr. Walters discussed her presentation regarding the beginning of school.
 - Administration presented the plans per grade level. The Principals also answered questions from the public and board members.
- ❖ Instruction:
 - Mrs. Hybert thanked all teachers, staff, and administration for planning the 2020-2021 school year. Mrs. Hybert spoke regarding ISBE's requirement that all students must take the SAT to receive their diploma.
- ❖ Finance:
 - Mr. Grossi discussed procedures for cleaning classrooms as well as transportation.
- ❖ Personnel:
 - Dr. O'Connor discussed the current vacancies.
- ❖ Technology
 - Mr. Grossi read a statement from Mr. Dannenberg. We have hired a technology repair specialist David Rucker. This position will be repairing the 1:1 devices for the district.

Public Comments

No public comments were made.

Consent Agenda

The following items were presented:

- The following Board Minutes were presented for approval:
 - **July 13, 2020 (Regular & Closed Session)**
- The **2020-2021 Contract for Continued Partnership with Building 21** was presented for approval.
- The following **Personnel Items** were presented for approval:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Resignations/Retirements (Licensed Educational Professional)		
Sara Lambert	Speech Pathologist at Steuben	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Samantha Rocknowski	Social Studies Teacher at Edison	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Diantha Strylowski	Special Education Teacher at Avis Huff	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Resignations/Retirements (Support Personnel)		
Olivia Becker	Head Start Teacher at Proegler	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Resignations/Retirements (Administrative)		
Dr. Latonya Wilks	Student Support Services Director at Avis Huff	June 30, 2020
Appointments (Licensed Educational Professional)		
Austin Garde	Physical Education Teacher at Steuben	August 17, 2020
Michelle Hamlyn	English Language Arts at KJHS	August 17, 2020
Michael Kren	Music Teacher at King	August 17, 2020
Fiona Walz	District Safety Coordinator	August 3, 2020
Robert Young	Music Teacher at Kennedy	August 17, 2020
Appointments (Support Personnel)		

Public Comments

Consent Agenda

Board Minutes

2020-2021 Building 21
Contract
Personnel Items

Resignations/Retirements

Appointments

Kelly Costanza	Student Support Interventionist District-wide	August 17, 2020
Elizabeth Scott	Student Support Interventionist District-wide	August 17, 2020
Shay Tyler	Head Start Teacher at Proegler	August 17, 2020
Internal Appointment (Licensed Educational Personnel)		
Veronica Irish	3rd Grade CCA Instructor at Edison	August 17, 2020

A motion was made by Shea, and seconded by Gathing to approve the above-listed consent agenda items as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Archie, Bohlen(abstain from item 4), Gathing , Johnston, Shea, Williams, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Action Items

1. Approval of Revised 2020-2021 School Calendar

A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Williams to approve the revised 2020-2021 school calendar as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Shea, Williams, Archie, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

2. Approval of Plan for Opening School First Quarter 2020-2021(Insert A)

A motion was made by Bohlen, seconded by Gathing to approve the plan for opening school first quarter 2020-2021 as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Gathing, Johnston, Shea, Williams, Archie, Bohlen, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Recommended Policy Changes (2nd Reading)

A motion was made by Bohlen and Seconded by Gathing to suspend the rules for the policy first reading due to the current circumstances. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Johnston, Shea, Williams, Archie, Bohlen, Gathing, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Williams to approve the recommended policy changes (2nd reading) as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Shea, Williams, Archie, Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Old Business

No old business was discussed.

At 8:49 p.m., a motion was made by Shea, seconded by Gathing, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

SIGNED: _____
Barbara A. Wells, President

ATTEST: _____
Angela F. Shea, Secretary

APPROVED August 10, 2020

Action Items
2020-2021 School
Calendar

Plan for Opening School
First Quarter 2020-2021

Recommended Policy
Changes

Old Business

Adjourn