

**KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.111
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
December 6, 2021**

The special Board of Education meeting of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 5:12 pm in the auditorium at Lincoln Cultural Center 240 Warren Ave, Kankakee, IL 60901.

ROLL CALL

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

Members Absent: Jess Gathing (Joined via conference call at 5:13 pm)

A quorum was declared present.

Closed Session

At 5:12 pm, a motion was made by Bohlen, seconded by Johnston, to adjourn to closed session to discuss the

- 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 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. ROLL CALL VOTE-Ayes: Archie, Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, and Wells, Nays: none. Motion carried.

The closed session was adjourned at 6:06 pm.

At 6:09 pm., the regular session was reconvened.

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

Meeting with the Board were:
Shemeka Fountain, Assistant Superintendent of HR
Dr. Genevra Walters, Superintendent
Rachel Thornton, Recording Secretary

Chris Break from the Daily Journal was present.

Public Comments

The following public comment was made.

Name	Topic
Sam Haenig	Mr. Haenig discussed his concerns regarding the possibility of Learning Anywhere, Anytime.
Katie Haenig	Ms. Haenig discussed her concerns regarding the possibility of Learning, Anywhere, Anytime.

Superintendent's Report

❖ COVID-19:

- The current number of students and adults that are both positive and quarantined as of August 2021 are as follows:

	Adults	Students	Totals
Positive	56	126	182
Currently Quarantined	6	581	587
Total	62	707	769

- Dr. Walters discussed the current COVID numbers and the struggle of contact tracing. Ms. Fountain discussed buildings that currently have classrooms quarantined. Dr. Walters discussed the recommendation and clarified that if parents choose to send their students to school five days a week, they do have that option.

Action Items

1. Approval to Modify Learning Options Due to Rising COVID Numbers

A motion was made by Williams, seconded by Johnston, to approve the modified learning options due to rising COVID numbers as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Archie, Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verett, Williams, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

At 6:34 pm, a motion was made by Bohlen, seconded by Williams, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

SIGNED:

Barbara A. Wells, President

ATTEST:

Tracy Verrett, Secretary

APPROVED DECEMBER 13, 2021

Superintendent's Report

Action Items
Modify Learning Options Due
to Rising COVID Numbers

Adjourn