

KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.111
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
July 25, 2022

The regular Board of Education meeting of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 5:31 pm in the Auditorium at Kankakee High School 1200 W. Jeffery St. Kankakee, IL 60901.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mary Archie
Chris Bohlen (entered regular session at 7:04 pm)
Deb Johnston (entered regular session at 7:03 pm)
Jess Gathing
Tracy Verrett
Barb Wells, Board President

Roll Call

Members Absent: Darrell Williams, Board Vice President (entered closed session at 5:45 pm, entered regular session at 7:04 pm)

A quorum was declared present.

Closed Session

Closed Session

At 5:31 pm, 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, 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, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The closed session was adjourned at 6:54 pm.

At 7:03 pm., the regular session was reconvened.

Reconvened

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

Pledge

Meeting with the Board were:

- Shemeka Fountain, Assistant Superintendent of HR
- Felice Hybert, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum
- Dr. Genevra Walters, Superintendent
- Rachel Thornton, Recording Secretary.

Stephanie Markham from the Daily Journal was present.

Superintendent's Report

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- ❖ Good News
 - Dr. Walters asked for a Moment of Silence for the Loring Family and two students that recently lost their lives this past weekend

School	Event	Explanation
KJHS	Dads On Deck	Principal Morgan-Harris is launching a new initiative entitled Dads On Deck, which involves increasing the male presence in our school community. She desires that KJHS be a village of learners with a sense of purpose, community, identity, and belongingness that is nurtured for all scholars. An interest meeting will be held on August 2, 2022, at 5 pm in the KJHS auditorium.

- ❖ Instruction

- Sarah Adams from TNTP presented the district's scorecard on grade-level assignments. Mrs. Hybert and Dr. Walters answered questions from the board.
- ❖ Finance
 - Dr. Walters showed and discussed the historical funding balances from 2014 to present.
- ❖ Personnel
 - Ms. Fountain discussed and read a statement regarding the fine arts departments. Ms. Fountain also spoke about the JROTC Program and introduced the new JROTC instructor.

Public Comments

There were no public comments made.

Public Comments

Consent Agenda

The following items were presented:

- The following Board Minutes were presented for approval.
 - **July 11, 2022, Regular Board Meeting (Regular & Closed Session)**
- The **Contract with Imagine Instructional Services** was presented for approval.
- The following **Personnel Items** were presented for approval:

Consent Agenda

Minutes
Imagine Instructional
Services
Personnel Items

Name	Position	Effective Date
Resignation (Administrative Personnel)		
Anna Newsome	Principal at Steuben	July 29, 2022
Resignations & Retirement (Licensed Educational Professional)		
Tammy Buhmaster	School Psychologist at KHS	End of 2021-2022 School Year
Deanna Cassady	Drama Teacher at KHS	End of 2021-2022 School Year
Traci Curl	Special Education Teacher at KJHS	End of 2021-2022 School Year
Melissa Gregoire	Science Teacher at KHS	End of 2021-2022 School Year
Jacquelynn Rhea	Orchestra Teacher District Wide	End of 2021-2022 School Year
Tracy Toepfer	Choir Teacher at KHS	End of 2021-2022 School Year
Anthia Winslow	Instructor at KHS	End of 2021-2022 School Year
Appointment (Licensed Educational Professionals)		
Grant Sparenberg	5th Grade Teacher at Kennedy	August 18, 2022
Appointment (Support Personnel)		
Rosalinda Chavez	YEP Hippocrates Clerk	July 26, 2022
Michael Harris	Night Custodian at KHS	July 29, 2022
Kennadi Malone	Head Start Teacher at Proegler	August 18, 2022
Iva Stampley	JROTC Army Instructor Commissioner at KHS	TBD

Resignations/Retirements

Appointments

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

Action Items

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A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Williams, to combine action items one, two & three into one vote as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

1. Approval to Consider the 2nd Ward of Kankakee (from East Ave to Nelson Ave) to Qualify as a Hazard.
2. Approval to Consider the 6th Ward of Kankakee (from Wildwood Ave to Interstate 57) to Qualify as a Hazard.
3. Approval to Consider the 7th Ward of Kankakee (from Sibley Ave to Interstate 57) to Qualify as a Hazard.

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

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

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

A motion was made by Bohlen, seconded by Gathing to consider the 2nd Ward of Kankakee (from East Ave to Nelson Ave) to Qualify as a Hazard, the 6th ward of Kankakee (from Wildwood Ave to Interstate 57) to qualify as a hazard, and the 7th Ward of Kankakee (from Sibley Ave to Interstate 57) to Qualify as a Hazard as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Gathing, Johnston, Verrett, Williams, Archie, Bohlen and Wells. NAYS- none. Motion Carried.

New Business

- ❖ Discussion to Solicit Requests for Proposals for Recruiter for the purpose of Hiring the Next Superintendent.
 - A discussion was held regarding the process of requesting the next Superintendent.
- ❖ Discussion Regarding Determining the Source of Increased Enrollment at Kankakee High School.
- ❖ Discussion Regarding the Projection of Enrollment in Pre-School Through 6th Grade, Junior High and High School for Next Five Years.
 - A presentation was shown for the projected enrollment numbers for all grades.

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At 8:09 pm, a motion was made by Williams, seconded by Gathing, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

Adjourn

SIGNED: _____
Barbara A. Wells, President

ATTEST: _____
Tracy Verrett, Secretary

APPROVED August 8, 2022