# KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.111 BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES March 4, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County Illinois; was held at 5:30 p.m., in the Multi-purpose room at Edison Primary School, 1991 East Maple Street, Kankakee, Illinois.

**ROLL CALL** 

Roll Call

Members present: Mary Archie

Jess Gathing, Jr. Vice President

Deb Johnston

Angela Shea, Secretary Barbara Wells, President

Darrell Williams

Members Absent: Christopher Bohlen (\*entered at 5:57 pm)

A quorum was declared present.

## **Closed Session**

At 5:30 p.m., a motion was made by Shea, seconded by Johnston, 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, Shea, Williams, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The closed session was adjourned at 6:51 pm.

At 7:00 p.m., the regular session was reconvened.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Edison students.

Meeting with the Board were:

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

Stephanie Markham, a reporter from the Daily Journal, was present.

# Superintendent's Report

Good News:

School

Recognition

Mark Twain Primary thanked Penny Sylvester and Matt
Antons from the high school for their assistance with washing
laundry.

Mark Twain's 2nd-grade students receive swimming lessons
at the YMCA every Thursday. They have two classes that
attend weekly which result in 48 swimsuits and towels that
need to be washed on Thursday evening. Mark Twain has had
to wash on average 5 loads of laundry a wee. Penny and Matt
have helped coordinate laundry pick up on Friday morning via

Closed Session

Reconvene

Pledge

Superintendent's Report

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		courier to be delivered to the high school where students in the Living and Learning Program ash, dry, fold and return them to Mark Twain via courier the following week, in time for swimming again.
		Mark Twain sincerely appreciates the help in the effort to keep the seven and eight-year-olds swimming!
Taft	Donation/ Recognition	Arlene Woods, a DCFS Foster Parent, donated 156 craft kits to Taft students.
		Taft had over 500 dad's and students participate in Donuts for Dads.
		Taft had over 200 dads come and dance the night away with their beautiful daughters at the Daddy Daughter Dance.
District	Funding Proposals	The following Building Principals submitted proposals for additional funding:
		*Mark Twain submitted a proposal for \$1,156.94 for library maker space materials.
		* Kennedy submitted a proposal for a Fermilab field trip for cost and transportation.

- Mrs. Hybert and Mrs. Way presented the Young Author Winners with certificates.
- Mr. Wilcox discussed the 2019 Kankakee Holiday Tournament Financial Report and thanked everyone involved.
- Board President Barbara Wells thanked Ronald Wilcox, Karen Brown, and Rachel Thornton, for helping the board host the Illinois Association of School Boards Spring Dinner Meeting. She also would like to thank the Kankakee Food Service for the delicious food as well as the Band Department for letting us use their space.

# Principal's Report

Ms. O'Leary discussed Edison's low test scores from previous years and how APTT (Academic Parent Teacher Team) meetings have helped raise their scores. Ms. O'Leary discussed how the parents and teachers are involved in the APTT as well as how APTT works. Two Edison parents spoke about the Academic Parent Teacher Team Meetings and how it has helped their students. Ms. O'Leary finished by introducing her staff.

# **Public Comments**

There were no public comments made.

## **Consent Agenda**

The following items were presented:

- The following Board minutes were presented for approval:
  - **❖ February 10, 2020-Regular Board Meeting** (Regular & Closed Session)
  - ❖ February 19, 2020-Special Board Meeting (Regular & Closed Session)
- The Payroll and Related Bills were presented for approval. (See Insert A)
- The following **Personnel Items** were presented for approval:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Resignations/Retirements		
Keryl Carter	Principal at KJHS	June 30, 2020
Ana Kasal	Principal at Steuben Elementary/Director of	June 30, 2020

Principal's Report

Public Comments

Consent Agenda

Board Minutes

Payroll & Related Bills Personnel Items

Resignations

	Bilingual Education	
Resignations/Retirements		
Christina Brown	Science Teacher at KHS	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Julie Busken	Special Education Teacher at KHS	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Kimberly Graven	1st Grade Teacher at Taft	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Cara Hennessy	Special Education Teacher at Edison	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Matthew Hibbets	Music Teacher at Taft	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Joseph Kernes	Science Teacher at KJHS	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Gerald Kisiel	Science Teacher at KJHS	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Trina Meyering	Music Teacher at Kennedy Middle School	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Jason Rupar	Math Teacher at KJHS	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Brittany Vance	Permanent Substitute at KHS	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Kurt VanHorn	Math Teacher at KHS	End of 2019-2020 School Year
James Vegovisch	Co-Teacher at Kennedy	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Resignations/Retirements	s (Support Personnel)	
Michelle Brown	Head Start Teacher at Proegler	End of 2019-2020 School Year
Allison Cruz	Sous Chef/ Cooking Lab Facilitator at KHS	February 14, 2020
Danielle Myles	Wayfinding Coach at Avis Huff	End of 2019-2020 School YEar
Lesley Shworles	Family Consumer Science Culinary Arts at KHS	February 14, 2020
Shellie Storevik	Food Service Cafeteria Helper at Mark Twain	February 20, 2020
Appointments (Administr		
Anna Newsome	Principal at Steuben Elementary/	July 1, 2020
Appointments (Support P		
Katlein Noble	Cafeteria Helper at KHS	March 5, 2020
Appointments (Extra Duty		
Stefan Benoit	Newspaper Art Publisher	2019-2020 School Year
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Appointments

Erin Goldenstein	Assistant Principal at KJHS	July 1, 2020
Internal Appointment (Su		
Carl Roth	Groundsman	March 5, 2020
Leave of Absences (Supp		
Cynthia Kiger	Food Service at Kennedy	February 7, 2020- March 31, 2020
Danielle Myles	Wayfinding Coach at Avis	December 19, 2019-January 10, 2020

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

### **Action Items**

1. Approval of Resolution for Honorable Dismissal of District Funded Programs & Initiatives.

A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Shea to approve the resolution for honorable dismissal of district funded programs & initiatives as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Bohlen, Gathing, Johnston, Shea, Williams, Archie and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

2. Approval of Resolution for Honorable Dismissal of Grant Funded Programs & Initiatives.

A motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Archie to approve the resolution for honorable dismissal of grant-funded programs & initiatives as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE- AYES: Gathing, Johnston, Shea, Williams, Archie, Bohlen, and Wells. Nays: none. Motion carried.

3. Approval of 2020-2021 School Calendar.

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

#### **Old Business**

The IASB Three Rivers Dinner meeting was discussed.

### Information

The following items were provided for information.

- 1. FOIA Request
- 2. Previous Bill Run

At 7:49 p.m., a motion was made by Williams, seconded by Johnston, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

SIGNED:

Barbara A. Wells, President

ATTEST:

Angela F. Shea, Secretary

**APPROVED MARCH 16, 2020** 

Leave of Absences

Action Items Resolution for Honorable Dismissal of District Funded Programs & Initiatives

Resolution for Honorable Dismissal of Grant Funded Programs & Initiatives

2020-2021School Calendar

Old Business

Information FOIA Request Previous Bill Run

Adjourn