

**KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
April 11, 2016**

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 Cafeteria at Kankakee Junior High School, 2250 East Crestwood Street, Kankakee, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Amelia Davis, Vice President
Jess Gathing, Jr.
Karen Johnston, President
Angela Shea
Barbara A. Wells, Secretary

Members absent: John Coghlan (*entered at 6:40 PM)
Joseph Lightfoot

A quorum was declared present.

Closed Session

At 5:33 p.m., motion was made by Wells, seconded by Gathing, to adjourn to the Library for closed session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body and negotiations. ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Davis, Gathing, Shea, Wells, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The closed session was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by students from the Kankakee Junior High School Beta Club.

Meeting with the Board were:

Dr. Genevra A. Walters, Superintendent
Robert Grossi, Director of Business Services
Vicki Scott, Recording Secretary

News reporter, Mr. John Dykstra, was present from The Daily Journal.

Superintendent's Report

➤ **Good News**

School	Event	Explanation
Kennedy	Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jamie Kotovsky, music teacher at Kennedy, received a grant from DonorsChoose.org to purchase 20 soprano ukulele gig bags at \$15.89 each. Mrs. Kotovsky titled her grant "Homeless Ukuleles need Homes." The ukulele bags will hold the ukuleles that Mrs. Kotovsky received earlier in the school year through a DonorsChoose.org grant. Kennedy appreciates Mrs. Kotovsky's continued quest for materials to enhance the music program.
KJHS Orchestra	IESA Solo and Ensemble Contest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On Saturday, April 2nd, nine members of the KJHS Orchestra traveled to Dwight for the IESA Solo and Ensemble Contest. All of the soloists received a first place rating. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LeVante Davenport, violin solo – I (LCC)

Roll Call

Closed Session

Reconvene

Pledge

Superintendent's Report

Good News

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Alaiya Jackson, violin solo – I (KJHS) o Sam Love, violin solo and piano solo – I (LCC) o Valeria Santana, violin solo – I (KJHS) o KeMia Smith, viola solo – I (KJHS) o Micah Thomas, viola solo – I (LCC) o Jaden Turner, viola solo – I (KJHS) o Cameron Vinson, cello solo – I (LCC) o Jakir Wills, viola solo – I (KJHS) <p>Two students also received “Best of the Day” for string solo and piano solo.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Samuel Love, piano solo, Sonatina in C – Vivace o Cameron Vinson, string solo – Minuet
<p>King/ Montessori Choir</p>	<p>IESA Music Competition</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On Saturday, April 2nd, members of the King/Montessori choir went to the IESA music competition. Brianna Butler, a fifth grade student in Mrs. Selock’s class at King, received “Best of the Day” recognition for her vocal performance. The students listed below received either a 1st or 2nd place rating. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o King 1st Place <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Trinity Baines – 5th grade ▪ Brianna Butler – 5th grade ▪ Kennashia Chandler – 5th grade ▪ Sade Lagesse – 6th grade ▪ Ariana Mathias – 5th grade ▪ Margaret Mulcahy – 5th grade o 2nd Place <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Yarizza Pina o Montessori 1st Place <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lily Cantrell – 7th grade ▪ Janiya Sherman – 5th grade ▪ Addie Young – 7th grade

Dr. Walters introduced Alex Palacios, a senior from Kankakee High School, who will be honored on Friday as the Youth Volunteer of the Year. This award is sponsored by the Community Foundation, Pledge for Life Partnership and the United Way.

Principal’s Report – Chuck Hensley, Principal of Kankakee Junior High School

Mr. Hensley’s report was titled “Good Things are Happening!” He started by introducing his staff because he stated that if it wasn’t for his staff, all the successes wouldn’t be possible. He then introduced four students, Karina Calderon, Sergio Pena Pacheco, Kayla Jonae Williams, and Marlesia Walker. Karina spoke on behalf of the Beta Club, Sergio spoke on Student Council, Kayla addressed the PBIS and MTSS work, and Marlesia reported on the library and technology student helpers.

Mr. Hensley introduced Lynda Cohagan, Library Information Specialist, to give the junior high school data report. She has taught students how to read, interpret, and understand data along with the help of their classroom teachers. She reviewed Performance Series and AimsWeb data. She showed graphs that indicated that KJHS is really making some good progress.

Public Comments – There were no public comments made.

Consent Agenda

The following items were presented:

1. The following Board minutes were presented for approval:
 - **March 17, 2016-Special Meeting** (Regular & Executive Session Minutes)
 - **March 29, 2016-Regular Meeting** (Regular & Executive Session Minutes)

Principal's Report

Public Comments

Consent Agenda

Board Minutes

2. The **Regular Bills** were presented for approval. (See Insert A.)
3. The **Payroll & Related Bills** were presented for approval. (See Insert B.)
4. The **contract with ATI Physical Therapy** was presented for approval.
5. The **E-Rate Funding** was presented for approval.
6. The **Rewards Program with BSN Sports and Under Armour** was presented for approval.
7. The **Head Start Policy Council** documents were presented for approval.
8. The **KHS Overnight Trip Request** was presented for approval.
9. The following **personnel items** were presented for approval:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Resignations/Retirements – Support Personnel		
Diane Grebner	LPN at LCC/Student Support Services	End of 2015-2016 School Year
Don Glenzinski	Carpenter at LCC/Maintenance Department	June 30, 2016
Deisi Guzman	Parapro/Bilingual at Steuben	April 5, 2016
Noelle Barney	Teacher Assistant/Head Start at Proegler	May 31, 2016
Appointment – Certified Personnel		
Viodelda Judkins	Dual Language Teacher at TBD	2016-2017 School Year
Appointment – Support Personnel		
Corey Zych	Network Systems Manager at LCC/Technology	March 30, 2016
Appointments – Extra-Curricular Personnel		
Rebekah Ruettiger	Softball, Assistant Coach at KHS	April 11, 2016
Hilary McDaniel	Girls on the Run at KHS	April 11, 2016

President Johnston asked if there was any discussion needed on any of the consent agenda items and hearing none, she asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion was made by Shea, seconded by Gathing, to approve the above listed Consent Agenda items as amended. ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, Shea, Wells, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Action Items

1. Implementation of Fees for Athletics and Extra-Curricular Activities

President Johnston asked if there was any discussion and hearing none, she asked for a motion to approve the implementation of fees for athletics and extra-curricular activities.

Motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Coghlan, to approve the implementation of fees for athletics and extra-curricular activities as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Davis, Gathing, Shea, Wells, Coghlan, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

2. Resolution for Honorable Dismissal of Food Service Employees

The Resolution authorizing the honorable dismissal of Food Service Employees was presented for approval. (See Insert C.)

- Melissa Pommier
- Tyisha Williams
- Melinda Velasco

President Johnston asked if there was any discussion and hearing none, she asked for a motion to approve the Resolution for honorable dismissal of Food Service Employees.

Motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Shea, to approve the Resolution for honorable dismissal of Food Service Employees as presented.

Bills
 ATI Physical Therapy
 E-Rate Funding
 Rewards Program
 Head Start
 Trip Request
 Personnel
 Resignations/Retirements
 Appointments
 Athletic/Activities Fees
 Honorable Dismissals

ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Gathing, Shea, Wells, Coghlan, Davis, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

- 3. **Resolution Authorizing and Providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the Purpose of Improving School Buildings for the District and for the Issue of Not to Exceed \$10,200,000 Debt Certificates, Series 2016, Evidencing the Rights to Payment Under said Agreement, Prescribing the Details of the Agreement and Certificates, Providing for the Payment of the Certificates and Authorizing the Sale of said Certificates to the Purchaser Thereof (See Insert D.)**

Resolution

Secretary, Barbara Wells, read the following statement:

Resolution authorizing and providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of improving school buildings in and for The Kankakee School District, No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, and for the issue of not to exceed \$10,200,000 Debt Certificates, Series 2016, of said School District evidencing the rights to payment Under said Agreement, prescribing the details of the Agreement and Certificates, And providing for the security for and means of payment under said Agreement of Said Certificates, and authorizing the proposed sale of said Certificates to the Purchaser thereof.

President Johnston asked if there was any discussion and hearing none, she asked for a motion.

Motion was made by Coghlan, seconded by Gathing, to approve the Resolution authorizing and providing for an installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of improving school buildings for the District and for the issue of not to exceed \$10,200,000 debt certificates, Series 2016, evidencing the rights to payment under said agreement, prescribing the details of the agreement and certificates, providing for the payment of the certificates and authorizing the sale of said certificates to the purchaser thereof as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE—Ayes: Shea, Wells, Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

- 4. **Resolution Authorizing Performance Based Superintendent’s Contract Between the Board of Education and Dr. Genevra A. Walters (See Insert E.)**

Motion was made by Coghlan, seconded by Wells, to approve the Resolution authorizing Performance Based Superintendent’s Contract between the Board of Education and Dr. Genevra A. Walters as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Shea, Wells, Coghlan, Gathing, and Johnston. Abstained: Davis. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Old Business

There was no old business discussed.

Old Business

Information and Proposals

The following items were provided for information:

- 1. Transfers (Certified & Support Personnel)

Name	Transferred To	Effective Date
Certified Personnel		
Brian Mathis	Special Ed Teacher Self-Contained at KHS	April 1, 2016
Support Personnel		
Maria Salcedo	Paraprofessional at King	April 4, 2016
Sunceray Crawford	Floating Paraprofessional	April 4, 2016
Angela Parks	Paraprofessional at KHS	April 4, 2016

Information

Policy Changes
Committee Meeting
Financial Profile
Summer Nutrition
Program
Wellness Walk
Holiday Tournament
Head Start
FOIA Requests
Financial
Staff Absence Report

Name	Transferred To	Effective Date
Karen Anderson	Principal's Secretary at KHS	July 1, 2016

- 2. Financial Profile Score
- 3. Head Start Policy Council
- 4. Freedom of Information Act – Requests for Information
- 5. Budget Update
- 6. State and Federal Revenue Report
- 7. Staff Absence Report

Dr. Walters announced that there will be a golf outing on April 22nd at the Kankakee Country Club. She stated that the funds raised will go into a future Foundation and the funds will be used to support students and student needs.

At 7:37 p.m. motion was made by Wells, seconded by Shea, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

Adjourn

SIGNED:

Karen Johnston, Board President

ATTEST:

Barbara A. Wells, Board Secretary

vs

Approved: May 9, 2016