

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

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 6:30 p.m. in the Library at Kankakee High School, 1200 West Jeffery Street, Kankakee, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

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

Members absent:      John Coghlan (\*entered at 6:37 p.m.)  
                                 Amelia A. Davis, Vice President  
                                 Joseph Lightfoot

A quorum was declared present.

**Closed Session**

At 6:31 p.m., motion was made by Shea, seconded by Gathing, to adjourn to the Teachers' Lounge for closed session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Gathing, Shea, Wells, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The closed session was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

At 7:02 p.m. the regular session was reconvened.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President, Karen Johnston.

Meeting with the Board were:

Dr. Geneva A. Walters, Superintendent  
Robert Grossi, Assistant Superintendent  
Felice Hybert, Assistant Superintendent  
Dr. Kathleen O'Connor, Assistant Superintendent  
Vicki Scott, Recording Secretary

Present from The Daily Journal was reporter John Dykstra.

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Walters reported the following information:

- The District is applying for the i3 Innovations Federal Grant. Dr. Walters said we applied last year and did not receive it, but we received comments back with concerns on the evaluation of the professional development piece and we have strengthened that portion of the grant. There is a component of the grant which is called scale up so we are calling it the Kankakee/South Cook County College Career Academy Initiative. The schools that will be involved are Kankakee High School, Momence, possibly St. Anne, and Rich School District #227. This grant focuses on restructuring high schools. The District is excited because we feel we have a very strong grant this year.

Roll  
Call

Closed  
Session

Reconvene

Pledge

Superintendent's  
Report

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**Consent Agenda**

The following items were presented:

- The following Board of Education minutes were presented for approval:
  - **June 27, 2016 (Regular & Closed Session Minutes)**
- The **Regular Bills** were presented for approval. (See Insert A.)
- The **Payroll and Related Bills** were presented for approval. (See Insert B.)
- The Resolution for the **Release of Executive Session Minutes and Destruction of Recordings** was presented for approval. (See Insert C.)
- The **Lincoln Cultural Center Classroom Renovation Bid** was presented for approval.
- The **Lobbyist Agreement with Alfred G. Ronan, Ltd.** for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 was presented for approval.
- The following **personnel** items were presented for approval:

Staff Member	Position	Effective Date
<b>Appointments (Certified Personnel)</b>		
Stephanie Chaplinski	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade CCA Teacher at King	August 18, 2016
Katrina Maher	Physical Education Teacher at KHS	August 18, 2016
Catherine Bonzani	Business Education Teacher at KHS	August 18, 2016
Elizabeth Gerdez	Special Education Co-teacher at Taft	August 18, 2016
Gene Harris	CIP/IMPACT Teacher at KHS	August 18, 2016
Kari Alderson	Social Worker (Part-time) at Avis Huff	August 18, 2016
Amanda Sansone	Special Education Teacher at Edison	August 18, 2016
Adam Ekhoff	CIPS/IMPACT Teacher at KHS	August 18, 2016
Amanda Thrun	Speech/Language pathologist at Avis Huff	August 18, 2016
Katelynn Walsh	English Teacher at KHS	August 18, 2016
Jacob Salmich	Social Studies Teacher at KHS	August 18, 2016
Beth Kirkman	English Teacher at KHS	August 18, 2016
<b>Appointments (Support Personnel)</b>		
Sarah Vinardi	Secretary at Kennedy	August 1, 2016
Tamika McCalleb	Freshmen Academy Secretary at KHS	July 1, 2016
<b>Salary Adjustment (Administrative Personnel)</b>		
Kellie English	Assistant Principal at KHS	July 1, 2016

President Johnston asked if there were any questions on the Consent Agenda items. Hearing none, President Johnston asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

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

**Old Business**

There was no old business.

**Information and Proposals**

1. The following personnel transfers were reported:

Staff Member	Transferred To	Effective Date
<b>Certified Personnel</b>		
Kendra Sykes	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Computer Magnet Teacher at Edison	August 18, 2016
Linda Stevenson	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Fine Arts Magnet Teacher at Montessori	August 18, 2016
Rosemary Sexton	Guidance Counselor – 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade at KHS	August 18, 2016

2. Change of the PTO Parent Council Meetings to Parent/Community Council Meetings
3. Budget Update
4. State & Federal Revenue Report

At 7:08 p.m. motion was made by Shea, seconded by Wells, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

Public Comments

Consent Agenda

Board Minutes

Bills

Minutes

Bid

Lobbyist Agreement

Personnel

Appointments

Salary Adjustment

Old Business

Information

Transfers  
Parent/Community Council  
Budget Update  
Financial

Adjourn

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Karen Johnston, President

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Barbara A. Wells, Secretary

vs

**Approved: August 8, 2016**