

**KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES  
March 7, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 5:45 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room at Proegler School, 710 North Chicago Avenue, Kankakee, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Members present:        John Coghlan  
                                  Amelia Davis  
                                  Jess Gathing, Jr.  
                                  Karen Johnston, President  
                                  Joseph Lightfoot  
                                  Angela Shea  
                                  Barbara Wells

Members absent:        none

A quorum was declared present.

**Board Secretary**

A motion was made by Shea, seconded by Coghlan to reappoint Barbara Wells as Board Secretary. ROLL CALL VOTE—Ayes: Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, Lightfoot, Shea, Wells, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Closed Session**

At 5:49 p.m., motion was made by Lightfoot, seconded by Gathing, to adjourn to Room 104 for closed session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, Lightfoot, Shea, Wells, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The closed session was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

At 7:22 p.m. the regular session was reconvened.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Proegler students from Mrs. Bean's class. The students then performed "A Soup Opera" directed by Mrs. DaSilva. After the performance, Proegler honored Mrs. McBroom with a plant and a gift from all the staff for her retirement at the end of this school year. Mrs. McBroom became the Director of Head Start in 1988 and she was the first and only director. They thanked her for her hard work and dedication to all the students and families in Kankakee County.

Meeting with the Board were:

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

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

**Superintendent's Report – Dr. Genevra A. Walters**

➤ Good News

Roll  
Call

Board  
Secretary

Closed  
Session

Reconvene

Pledge

Superintendent's  
Report

School	Position/Name	Event
All District Schools	Valentines for Veterans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Representative Lindsay Parkhurst, invited District #111 students to participate in “Valentines for Veterans” by sending handmade greetings and well wishes to those who have served their country with pride. All ages were invited to create a card or drawing. The District is proud to say that every school participated. The valentines were picked up and delivered to Representative Parkhurst’s office. Representative Parkhurst delivered the valentines to the Veteran’s Home in Manteno. Thank you to all who participated!</li> </ul>
Kennedy	Locker Rooms  Olivet Nazarene University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Kennedy locker rooms are being beautifully rehabbed by the district carpenters and painters! The old lockers that date back well into the 60’s have been replaced by more functional, opened wooden lockers that give the appearance of a college-level locker room. Please stop by Kennedy to view their craftsmanship.</li> <li>Kennedy is partnering with Olivet Nazarene University’s Interior Design Department. Dr. Diane Richardson’s seniors will develop designs for Kennedy’s library and collaboration room rehabs as their final project of the year. Mrs. Lynda Cohagan and Mrs. Veronda shared their vision, the color scheme, and ideas; the students will provide two or three different designs for their consideration. Mrs. Cohagan and Mrs. Veronda will invite you to the presentations later in May. Kennedy Middle School is grateful for their skills and this strengthened partnership with Olivet.</li> </ul>

Good News

**Director’s Report**

Mrs. McBroom, Director of Head Start, began her presentation with the introduction of the staff members present. Mrs. McBroom reported that the District’s goals become the Head Start goals. She reviewed the following: The ACT – “Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007”; The Regulations – Performance Standards, the Management Systems, the Education System & Child Development Framework; Head Start Assessments; 2016 Fall Kindergarten Scores; the Family & Community Engagement System; the Positive Family Solutions; the Health Systems; Multi-tiered Systems of Support (MTSS); Financial Systems; and District #111 Preschool Programs which service 638 students.

Director’s Report

Mrs. McBroom distributed the Head Start annual report to the public, to the Board of Education members, and to Superintendent Walters.

Dr. Walters commented that she has always admired Becky McBroom for being a fabulous leader. Dr. Walters said her first professional job in Kankakee was at the Head Start Program. The District will be hiring a Director of Preschool and she hopes that Mrs. McBroom will continue to work with the district during the transition period and for many years to come.

**Public Comments**

No public comments were made:

Public Comments

**Amendment to the Agenda**

Mr. Coghlan requested to amend the agenda to remove Item G.10. and vote on it separately.

Amendment to Agenda

Motion was made by Coghlan, seconded by Davis, to amend the agenda to remove item G.10. and vote on it separately. ROLL CALL VOTE—Ayes: Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, Lightfoot, Shea, Wells, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Consent Agenda**

The following items were presented:

1. The following Board minutes were presented for approval:
  - **February 13, 2017-Regular Meeting (Regular & Executive Session Minutes)**
2. The **Regular Bills** were presented for approval. (See Insert A.)
3. The **Payroll and Related Bills** were presented for approval. (See Insert B.)
4. The **Board Policy Manual** changes were presented for approval.
5. The **Board Member** reimbursement was presented for approval.
6. The **Head Start Policy Council** documents were presented for approval.
  - January 23, 2017 Policy Council Minutes
  - Status and Procurement Reports
  - Self-Assessment Committee Recommendations
7. The following **personnel items** were presented for approval:

Name	Position	Effective Date
<b>Resignations-Licensed Educational Professionals</b>		
Linda Campbell	Permanent Substitute/Traveling	End of 2016-17 School Year
Nancy DeLuca	Math Teacher at KHS	End of 2016-17 School Year
John Devine	Special Ed Co-Teacher at Mark Twain	End of 2016-17 School Year
Steven Feyerer	Math Teacher at KHS	End of 2016-17 School Year
Paul Galassi	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Kennedy	End of 2016-17 School Year
Michelle King	Special Ed Co-Teacher at King	End of 2016-17 School Year
Beth Kirkman	English Teacher at KHS	End of 2016-17 School Year
Carole Kuta	Special Ed Co-Teacher at Kennedy	End of 2016-17 School Year
Katrina Maher	Physical Ed Teacher at KHS	End of 2016-17 School Year
Bethany Rodrigues	Spanish Teacher at KHS	End of 2016-17 School Year
Regina Salinas	5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Kennedy	End of 2016-17 School Year
Rebecca Schumacher	Science Teacher at KJHS	End of 2016-17 School Year
Jason Volkman	Social Studies Teacher at KHS	End of 2016-17 School Year
<b>Appointments-Support Personnel</b>		
Mary Melvin	FT Paraprofessional at Edison	March 8, 2017
<b>Appointments-Extra-Duty Assignments</b>		
Oletha Grant	Girls Track Asst. Coach at KHS	March 7, 2017
Koshaun Mosley	Baseball Asst. Coach at KHS	March 7, 2017

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

**Action Items:**

**1. Artificial Turf Purchase and Installation**

The proposed artificial turf purchase was presented for approval.

Motion was made by Coghlan, seconded by Gathing, to approve the artificial turf purchase as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE—Ayes: Lightfoot, Shea, Wells, Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**2. Termination of Intergovernmental Agreement for Use of KASEC Property**

The termination of the Intergovernmental Agreement for Use of Kankakee Area Special Education Cooperative Property was presented for approval. President Johnston asked for a motion to move that the

Consent Agenda

Board Minutes

Bills

Policy Changes

Reimbursement

Head Start

Personnel Items

Resignations

Appointments

Artificial Turf

KASEC Property

Board of Education find that the School District no longer has a need to use the property located at 1 Stuart Drive and direct the Board President to prepare, sign, and deliver notice to the Kankakee Area Special Education Cooperative and the Iroquois-Kankakee Regional Office of Education of the School District's termination of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement dated May 16, 2002 between the parties regarding facilities construction and use of the 1 Stuart Drive property.

Motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Wells, to approve the termination of the Intergovernmental Agreement for Use of Kankakee Area Special Education Cooperative Property as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE—Ayes: Shea, Wells, Davis, Gathing, Lightfoot, and Johnston. Abstained: Coghlan. Nays: none. Motion carried.

- 3. Resolution authorizing and providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of paying the cost of purchasing real or personal property, or both, in and for the Kankakee School District, No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, and for the issue of not to exceed \$20,000,000 Debt Certificates, Series 2017, 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.**

Motion was made by Coghlan, seconded by Gathing, to approve the Resolution authorizing and providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE—Ayes: Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, Lightfoot, Shea, Wells, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

There was no old business discussed.

**Information and Proposals**

The following items were provided for information:

- Personnel Transfer
- Policy Manual Changes (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)
- Head Start Policy Council Information
- Budget Update
- State & Federal Revenue Report
- Staff Absence Report
- February Suspension Data

Name	Transferred To	Effective Date
<b>Support Personnel</b>		
Irene Dowdy	Full-Time Paraprofessional/Floating	March 8, 2017

**Closed Session**

At 8:24 p.m. motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Wells, to adjourn to closed session in Room 104 to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Gathing, Lightfoot, Shea, Wells, Coghlan, Davis, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The closed session was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

At 8:52 p.m. the regular session was reconvened.

Certificates

Old Business

Information

Personnel Transfer  
Policy Changes  
Head Start  
Financial  
Staff Absence  
Suspension Data

Closed Session

ROLL CALL

Members present: John Coghlan  
Amelia Davis  
Jess Gathing, Jr.  
Karen Johnston, President  
Angela Shea

Members absent: Joseph Lightfoot (\*entered at 8:53 PM)  
Barbara Wells, Secretary (\*entered at 8:53 PM)

**Termination**

Motion was made by Coghlan, seconded by Gathing, to remove Item G.10. from the agenda, have the Superintendent perform further investigation and bring a recommendation to the March 20<sup>th</sup> Board of Education Meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Lightfoot, Shea, Wells, Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Termination

At 8:54 p.m. motion was made by Shea, seconded by Davis, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

Adjourn

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

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

Vs

**Approved: March 20, 2017**