

**KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
May 26, 2016**

A special meeting of the Board of Education of Kankakee School District No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois, was held at 6:00 p.m. in Room 217 at Lincoln Cultural Center, 240 Warren Avenue, Kankakee, Illinois.

Special Meeting

ROLL CALL

Roll Call

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

Members absent: Barbara Wells

A quorum was declared present.

Meeting with the Board was:

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

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

President Johnston asked for a motion to appoint Angela Shea as temporary treasurer in Mrs. Wells absence.

Motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Coghlan, to approve the appointment of Angela Shea as temporary secretary as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

Public Hearing

Public Hearing

At 6:02 p.m. a motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Coghlan, to adjourn for a public hearing declaring the intention to issue \$10,200,000 bonds for the purpose of paying claims against the Kankakee School District, No. 111, Kankakee County, Illinois.

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

Board President, Karen Johnston, opened the discussion and explained that the reasons for the proposed issuance of the Bonds were to increase the Capital Projects Fund with Qualified School Construction Bonds proceeds. She then asked the Board for any further comments. Mrs. Davis asked why we are borrowing the money. Dr. Walters responded that the Qualified School Construction Bond program, that we are a part of, allows us to borrow \$29 million, \$10,200,000 which will be used on projects throughout the district at different schools. Eventually the District will redo the King gym and update the Media Center at Kennedy. The interest comes back to us from the Federal Government. The rest of the money will be used to redo the high school. President Johnston then asked the public for any written comments. Receiving no written comments, President Johnston asked the public for oral comments. There were no oral comments. The President then announced that all persons desiring to be heard had been given an opportunity to present oral and written testimony with respect to the proposed issuance of the Bonds.

At 6:04 p.m., motion was made by Shea, seconded by Gathing, to close the public hearing. ROLL CALL VOTE—Ayes: Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, Lightfoot, Shea, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Adjourn
Public Hearing

At 6:04 p.m., motion was made by Gathing, seconded by Coghlan, to reconvene regular session. ROLL CALL VOTE—Ayes: Shea, Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, Lightfoot and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Reconvene

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

Pledge

Public Comments

There were no public comments made.

Public
Comments

Consent Agenda

The following items were presented:

1. The **KHS Overnight Trip Request** was presented for approval.
2. The following **personnel items** were presented for approval:

Consent
Agenda

Overnight Trip

Name	Position	Effective Date
Resignation (Certified Personnel)		
Tamara Springer	Special Education Teacher at Kennedy	May 31, 2016
Appointments (Certified Personnel)		
Latrice Grant	Learning Partner, Student Support Services	August 18, 2016
Kim Starkey	Learning Partner, Student Support Services	August 18, 2016
Elizabeth Gibson	Learning Partner, Student Support Services	August 18, 2016

Personnel

Resignation

Appointments

President Johnston asked if there was any discussion needed on any of the consent agenda items and Mr. Coghlan inquired about the hiring of the Learning Partners. Dr. Walters said that Latrice Grant is being assigned to the junior high and will be working on assessment and instruction. Kim Starkey will probably be assigned to Edison where there is a 3rd grade College and Career Academy and will work on PARCC. Elizabeth Gibson will be assigned to King and work with King on their progress monitoring. This year Learning Partners will be assigned to buildings. President Johnston asked if there were any other questions and hearing none, she 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—Aye: Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, Lightfoot, Shea, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Action Items

Bonds

1. **Consideration and Action on a Resolution Declaring the Intent of the District to Issue \$10,200,000 Funding Bonds for the Purpose of Paying Outstanding Claims Against the District**

President Johnston asked if there were any questions; hearing none, she asked for a motion.

Motion was made by Coghlan, seconded by Gathing, to approve the Resolution as presented. ROLL CALL Vote--Ayes: Gathing, Lightfoot, Shea, Coghlan, Davis, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

2. **Comprehensive Insurance Renewal**

Insurance
Renewal

President Johnston asked if there were any questions; hearing none, she asked for a motion.

Motion was made by Shea, seconded by Gathing, to approve the Comprehensive Insurance Renewal as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE--Ayes: Gathing, Lightfoot, Shea, Coghlan, Davis, and Johnston. Nays: none. Motion carried.

3. Contract to Lease Aroma Park Primary School to the Garden of Prayer Youth Center

Aroma Park
Lease

Mr. Lightfoot asked what they will be doing at the building. Mr. Mahoney was present from the Garden of Prayer Youth Center and responded that they will use the building for a center for early childhood education and after school programs. The early childhood program will serve approximately 60 children up to age three. The other programs they will offer will serve both older children and parents. He said that the Garden of Prayer Youth Center has locations in Kankakee, Momence, and Hopkins Park.

Motion was made by Shea, seconded by Lightfoot, to approve the contract to lease Aroma Park Primary School to the Garden of Prayer Youth Center as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE—Ayes: Lightfoot, Shea, Coghlan, Davis, Gathing, and Johnston.

At 6:12 p.m., motion was made by Coghlan and seconded by Gathing to adjourn to Closed Session. All ayes; motion carried.

Adjourn

At 6:28 p.m., motion was made by Gathing, and seconded by Coghlan, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; motion carried.

SIGNED: _____
Karen Johnston, President

ATTEST: _____
Angela Shea, Acting Secretary

vs

Approved: June 13, 2016