



Kenowa Hills Public Schools
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Preliminary Minutes
Monday, April 15, 2024 at 6:30 pm
Administration Building
2325 4 Mile Rd NW, Grand Rapids MI 49544

I. Routine and Organizational Business

- A. President LaBotz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building at 2325 4 Mile Rd NW, Grand Rapids, MI. 49544
- B. President LaBotz opened the meeting with a moment of silence.
- D. Members Present: Courtade, Hart, LaBotz, Robinson, and Turner are present. Superintendent Hopkins, Assistant Superintendent Dinkelman, and Director of Finance Gilchrist, along with student representatives, Ronan Jameyson and Jake Jonker, are present. Member Gustinis arrived at 7:20. Member Roberts is absent.
- E. Motion by Member Turner supported by Member Hart to approve the agenda. **Motion carried 5-0.**

II. Hearings and Correspondence

- A. Correspondence
- B. Board Communication - Members reported on various district events in which they participated.

III. Information Items

- A. Student Representative Reports - Jake Jonker and Ronan Jameyson showed appreciation for the enrichment activity options provided during State testing.
- B. Superintendent Report - Superintendent Hopkins discussed the student loan repayment program for educators and shared a schedule of upcoming bond informational meetings.
- C. Office of Teaching and Learning
 - 1. Middle College Grading Scale Clarification - Assistant Superintendent Dinkelman provided an overview of how it determined whether a weighted grading scale is applied to Middle College classes and steps for communicating this information to high school students and their families.
- D. Finance
 - 1. March 2024 Check Register
 - 2. Bond Funds Investment Income
 - 3. Investment Holdings
 - 4. Condensed Fund Statement
 - 5. Middle School Cafeteria Furniture Purchase
 - 6. Middle School STEM Equipment
 - 7. Custodial RFP
- E. KIASB Board of Director Elections - Superintendent Hopkins reviewed the timeline associated with filling the KIASB Board of Director vacancies. The board members attending the April 25 KIASB dinner meeting will submit one ballot for our district.

CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVE AGENDA

CORRESPONDENCE

BOE COMMUNICATION

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

OFFICE OF TEACHING & LEARNING

FINANCE

KIASB BOARD OF DIRECTOR ELECTIONS

IV. Public Comment: No comments were made

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct Board of Education business. There will typically be no attempt to comment or give answers at this meeting. Audience members who wish to make comments are invited to complete the appropriate form located at the entrance. Each speaker has a maximum of three (3) minutes to address the board. Inquiries requiring a response will be referred to the superintendent in the cases where contact information is provided. We ask all individuals making public comments to follow our board policy.

V. Action Items

A. Consent Agenda

1. March 25, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. March 2024 General Fund Expenditures of \$967,579.17 in checks 82198 through 82355; School Lunch Fund Expenditures of \$52,961.47 in checks 11114 through 11127; 2018 Series II Debt Fund Expenditures of \$500 on check #1; 2022 Building and Site Series Expenditures of \$285,364.34 in checks 28 through 31; Student Activity Expenditures of \$15,418.11 in checks 97128 through 97154.
3. Staff Appreciation Day Resolution: WHEREAS, Kenowa Hills Public Schools employees are devoted professionally and personally to the field of education; and WHEREAS, Kenowa Hills Public Schools employees are dedicated to providing the best education for all Kenowa Hills students; and WHEREAS, Kenowa Hills Public Schools employees participate in the life of their communities; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kenowa Hills Board of Education name Tuesday, May 7, 2024 as Staff Appreciation Day—a day for all citizens to recognize our outstanding and dedicated staff members.

CONSENT AGENDA

STAFF APPRECIATION
RESOLUTION

Motion by Member Hart, support by Member Courtade to approve the consent agenda. **Motion carries 6-0.**

VII. Future Items for Consideration

A. Future Meetings

1. 04/25/2024 6:00 pm - KIASB Dinner Meeting - Kent ISD Building
2. 05/06/2024 6:30 pm Committee of the Whole Meeting - Administration Building
3. 05/20/2024 6:00 pm Retirement Reception and Regular Board Meeting - High School Commons
4. 06/10/2024 6:30 PM Budget Hearing, followed by Committee of the Whole Meeting - Administration Building
5. 06/24/24 6:30 pm Regular Board of Education Meeting - Administration Building

FUTURE MEETINGS

- B. Go Around:** the quote for new windows in Pahtways classrooms was discussed.

GO AROUND

VIII. Adjournment

- A.** Seeing no additional agenda items, President LaBotz adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Courtade, Secretary