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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Preliminary Minutes
Monday, October 28, 2024 at 6:30 pm
Kenowa Hills High School
3825 Hendershot NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49544

I. Routine and Organizational Business

- A. President LaBotz called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the High School Media Center, 3825 Hendershot NW, Grand Rapids, MI, 49544.
- B. President LaBotz opened the meeting with a moment of silence.
- C. Members Present: Courtade, Gustinis, Hart, LaBotz, Roberts, Robinson, and Turner are present. Superintendent Hopkins, Assistant Superintendent Dinkelmann, Director of Finance Gilchrist and Student Representative Chay'ce Smith are also present.
- D. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member Turner to approve the agenda. **Motion carries 7-0.**

CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF
SILENCE
ROLL CALL

APPROVE AGENDA

II. Recognition and Correspondence

- A. Recognition - Principal Robrahn recognized a Commended Merit Scholar and the members of the Equestrian Team for advancing to State Finals.
- B. Correspondence - there was none
- C. Board Communication - Members reported on various district events in which they participated.

CORRESPONDENCE

BOE
COMMUNICATION

III. Discussion/Information Items

- A. High School Spotlight - Principal Robrahn highlighted the ways the high school works to enrich connections between staff and students, increase athletic participation, and increase the number of clubs and other co-curricular opportunities we can provide. Common questions that students are asked are "Who is your person? What is your thing?" to demonstrate the importance of having an adult at the high school they feel comfortable speaking with and at least one co-curricular offering the student participates.
- B. Student Representative Reports - Chay'ce shared his excitement about football success, college week events, opportunities with Kent County Leadership, the Mayor's Youth Council, and the enrichment days. He is also enthusiastic about the club offerings at the High School.
- C. MASB Annual Leadership Conference Recap - Four board members attended the MASB ALC, and all reported some of their key take aways, and their gratitude for the support to send them to the conference.

PRINCIPAL ROBRAHN

STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVES

MASB ALC RECAP

IV. Public Comment: One audience member(s) addressed the Board.

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.

PUBLIC COMMENT

V. Action Items

- A. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Roberts to approve the Consent Agenda.
Motion carries 7-0.
 - 1. October 14, 2024 Committee of the Whole Minutes

CONSENT AGENDA

- B. Motion by Member Robinson support by Member Turner to approve the 2024-2025 Administrator Salary Schedules as outlined in Report #24-055. Discussion ensued. **Motion by Turner and supported by Gustinis to amend the motion to note on the salary schedules that compensation this year was also based on a 4% cost of living increase. Motion to amend motion carries 7-0. Member Turner seeks motion to approve 2024-2025 Administrator Salary Schedules with aforementioned notation on the salary schedules. Motion supported by Member Gustinis. Motion carries 5-2.**

	Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A	
Courtade		N			Hart	Y			Roberts	Y			Turner	Y		
Gustinis	Y				LaBotz	Y			Robinson		N					

- C. Motion by Member Courtade support by Member Hart to adopt the resolution for the Kenowa Hills Public School District to join in the insulin lawsuit as outlined in Report #24-056. Discussion ensued regarding timeline for seeking comittment to join in lawsuit. **Motion carries 7-0.**

VI. Future Items for Consideration

A. Future Meetings

- 11/11/24 6:30 pm Committee of the Whole Workshop - Administration Building
- 11/25/24 6:30 pm Regular Board Meeting - Pathways High School
- 12/11/24 6:00 pm (Wednesday) Special Meeting - Superintendent Evaluation - Administration Building
- 12/16/24 6:30 pm Regular Board Meeting - Zinser Elementary
- 01/13/25 6:00 pm Organizational Meeting @ Administration Building

- B. Go Around - Special Meeting to review board self-evaluation is set for November 6th, 6:00 PM at the Kent ISD Educational Services Building.

VII. Adjournment

- A. Seeing no additional agenda items, President LaBotz adjourned the meeting at 8:24 pm

Respectfully submitted,

_____, Secretary

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FUTURE MEETINGS

GO AROUND

ADJOURNMENT