

At the January 10, 2017 meeting held at Holden Elementary, the Kent City Schools Board of Education took the following action:

COFFEE TALK:

- Heard presentations from **Amy Hopkins, Kelli Kunkle, Kim Metz and Suzanne Stronz** about incorporating Holden's focus on the inquiry method of teaching into the first and second grades.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:

- As part of the usual January organizational meeting, the Board elected **Brian Boykin** as president and **Pamela Ferguson** as vice-president and set meeting dates and times. The March BOE meeting has been moved to Monday, March 13, at Stanton Middle School.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Recognized and thanked Board members as part of School Board Recognition Month, as well as presented certificates from OSBA.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Recognized professors **Kathryn Knapp** and **Bridget Mulvey** of the Kent State University Department of Teaching, Learning and Curriculum Studies as the Collaborative Organization for their consulting with Holden teachers.
- Recognized retiree **Barb Vasbinder** for her volunteer work with physical education and gardening projects at Holden.
- Adopted an alternative tax budget for the fiscal year 2017-2018.
- Authorized Treasurer to make short-term investments in depository banks; request tax advances from County Auditor; pay bills; make intrafund transfers; pay expenses incurred for school-related activities; retain legal services; established a service fund for Board expenses; appoint Assistant Superintendent as Board designee for suspension appeal hearings and authorized Superintendent to appoint personnel for up to 45 days before Board action.
- Appointed **Pamela Freeman** as Legislative Liaison representative and **Brian Boykin** as Student Achievement Liaison with OSBA.
- Approved proclamation for National CTE Month.
- Approved summer school program, extended year program and coordinator salaries.
- Approved bids for summer roofing projects at Roosevelt and Stanton.
- Reviewed math textbook adoption for Stanton Middle School.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

- Approved the retirement of **Nanette Zawistowski**, preschool secretary, on April 1, 2017.
- Approved the resignations, leaves of absence and appointments of classified, substitutes, tutors and aides.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Approved donations totaling \$970.