At the January 12, 2016 meeting held at Holden Elementary, the Kent City Schools Board of Education took the following action:

COFFEE TALK:

 Heard a presentation from Susan Louis about Holden's focus on the inquiry method of teaching.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:

As part of the usual January organizational meeting, the Board elected Dr.
 Marlene Dorsey as president and Brian Boykin as vice-president and set meeting dates and times.

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 Mike Awad of Laziza Restaurant as a Friend of Kent Schools for his support and leadership of a "Very Merry Dinner" to give Kent families a holiday dinner and gifts at the Overlook.
- Recognized Jim Palmer of Kent Lanes as the Collaborative Organization for his after-school bowling program.
- Adopted an alternative tax budget for the fiscal year 2016-2017.
- 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 Treasurer to take public records training.
- Approved resolution to advertise for bids for Capital Improvement Projects.
- Approved purchase for Career Technical equipment.
- Approved proclamation for National CTE Month.
- Approved summer school program, extended year program and coordinator salaries.
- Approved payment in lieu of transportation.
- · Approved OSBA policies.

PERSONNEL ISSUES:

 Approved the resignations, leaves of absence and appointments of classified, substitutes, tutors and aides.

MISCELLANEOUS

Approved donations totaling \$2,342.80.