

At the January 13, 2015 meeting held at Holden Elementary, the Kent City Schools Board of Education took the following action:

**COFFEE TALK:**

- Heard a presentation from **Cindy Thompson**, school psychologist, and **Rachel Yohn**, Title I teacher, about Holden's Response to Intervention initiative.

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:**

- As part of the usual January organizational meeting, the Board elected **Ryan Ferrara** as president and **Dr. Marlene Dorsey** 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 Kent Displays, Inc. as the Friend of Kent Schools for its donation of 300 Boogie Boards for Holden students. **Dr. Asad Khan**, Chief Technical Officer, accepted the award for the company, which has also donated Boards to other Kent schools.
- Recognized the Kent Rotary Foundation as the Collaborative Organization of the month for its support of projects in the schools, including a grant for Holden.
- Adopted an alternative tax budget for the fiscal year 2015-2016.
- 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 polling location agreement with Portage County Board of Elections.
- Approved resolution to advertise for bids for Capital Improvement Projects.
- Approved agreement with Hiram Farm Living and Learning Community.
- Approved 2015-2016 School Calendar.
- Approved proclamation for National CTE Month.
- Approved OSBA policies.

**PERSONNEL ISSUES:**

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

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- Approved donations totaling \$7, 204.93, including a \$6,000 in-kind donation from Kent Displays, Inc.