

**Frankfort Community Unit School District #168**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**

**Tuesday, August 30, 2022 – 6:00 pm**

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The Board of Education of Frankfort Community Unit School District #168 held a Special Board Meeting on Monday August 1, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Central Junior High School Library, 1600 East Ninth Street, West Frankfort, Illinois.

**A. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of Quorum:** President Keith Griffith called the Special Meeting of the Frankfort Community Unit School District #168 to order with the following members present: Jon Alexander, Dawn Browning, Larry Burns, Rick Conner, Keith Griffith, Clint Hawkins, and Kevin Toney. The purpose of the Special Meeting was to hold hearings regarding student disciplinary cases, consider Memorandums of Agreement, and to address personnel issue.

Twelve other people were present including the Superintendent, the Assistant Superintendent, a building administrator, two students, and seven members of the public.

**B. Hearing of Delegates or Visitors and Public Comments:** There was none.

**C. New Business:**

**A. Appointment of Hearing Officer** – Mr. Hawkins made a Motion to Appoint as Hearing Officer for the Disciplinary Hearings to be held that evening, Mr. Keith Griffith. Mr. Alexander seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.

**B. Closed Session** – The Board voted to Convene in Closed Session **four** times during the meeting to hold hearings regarding student disciplinary cases, as set forth in 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(9).

1. Mr. Alexander made a Motion to Convene in the **first** Closed Session. Mr. Hawkins seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0. The Board was in Closed Session from 6:02 p.m. until 6:35 p.m.

Mr. Alexander made a Motion to Re-Convene in Open Session. Mr. Toney seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.

2. Mr. Burns made a Motion to Convene in the **second** Closed Session. Mr. Hawkins seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0. The board was in Closed Session from 6:37 p.m. to 7:02 p.m.

Mr. Griffith made a Motion to Re-Convene in Open Session. Mr. Hawkins seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.

3. Mr. Alexander made a Motion to Convene in the **third** Closed Session. Mr. Burns seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0. The Board was in Closed Session from 7:04 p.m. until 7:36 p.m.

Mr. Alexander made a Motion to Re-Convene in Open Session. Mrs. Browning seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.

4. Mrs. Browning made a Motion to Convene in the **fourth** Closed Session. Mr. Toney seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0. The board was in Closed Session from 7:37 p.m. to 8:04 p.m.

Mr. Alexander made a Motion to Re-Convene in Open Session. Mr. Toney seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.

**C. Possible Action on Student Disciplinary Hearings** – the Board entertained **four** Motions regarding action on student disciplinary hearings during Open Session during the meeting.

1. After the **first** Closed Session, Mr. Griffith made a Motion that Student #2022-0819-01 be found to have violated school rules by committing prohibited student conduct as described in Closed Session Minutes which was deemed to be gross disobedience and misconduct and that the student's continuing presence constituted a threat to safety and would substantially disrupt, impede, or interfere with the operation of the school. Mrs. Browning seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.
2. After the **second** Closed Session, in regards to Student #2022-0819-01, Mr. Griffith made a Motion that the suspension of 10 days be upheld and that the student be expelled from Frankfort CUSD #168 for a period through the end of the 2022-2023 school year with the opportunity to attend the STAR Quest Academy Regional Safe School Program of Regional Office of Education #21 and hereby directed the Superintendent to issue a written decision consistent with the Board's decision within 7 business days. Mr. Toney seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.
3. After the **third** Closed Session, Mr. Griffith made a Motion that Student #2022-0819-02 be found to have violated school rules by committing prohibited student conduct as described in Closed Session Minutes which was deemed to be gross disobedience and misconduct and that the student's continuing presence would constitute a threat to safety and would substantially disrupt, impede, or interfere with the operation of the school. Mr. Alexander seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.
4. After the **fourth** Closed Session, in regards to Student #2022-0819-02, Mr. Griffith made a motion that the suspension of 10 days be upheld and that the student be expelled from Frankfort CUSD #168 for a period through the end of the current 2022-2023 school year with the opportunity to attend the STAR Quest Academy Regional Safe School Program of Regional Office of Education #21 and hereby directed the Superintendent to issue a written decision consistent with the Board's decision within 7 business days. Mr. Burns seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.

**D. Business and Operations Proposals and Agreements:**

1. **Consideration of Joint Dual Credit Agreement for the 2022-2023 School Year Between Rend Lake College and Frankfort CUSD #168** – Mr. Alexander Made a Motion to Ratify the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2022-2023 School Year Between Rend Lake College and Frankfort CUSD #168. Mr. Hawkins seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.
2. **Consideration of Memorandum of Agreement for the 2022-2023 School Year Between KHjorth Mobility LLC and Frankfort CUSD #168 RE: Orientation and Mobility Training for Students with Visual Impairments** – Mr. Toney Made a Motion to Approve the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2022-2023 School Year Between KHjorth Mobility

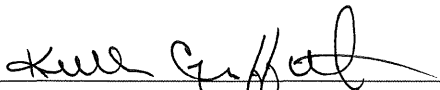
College and Frankfort CUSD #168. Mr. Hawkins seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.


2. **Consideration of Memorandum of Agreement for the 2022-2023 School Year Between KHjorth Mobility LLC and Frankfort CUSD #168 RE: Orientation and Mobility Training for Students with Visual Impairments** – Mr. Toney Made a Motion to Approve the Memorandum of Agreement for the 2022-2023 School Year Between KHjorth Mobility LLC and Frankfort CUSD #168 RE: Orientation and Mobility Training for Students with Visual Impairments. Mr. Alexander seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.

**E. Personnel:**

1. **Acceptance of Letter(s) of Retirement / Resignation / Leave** – Mrs. Browning Made a Motion to Accept the Letters of Resignation from Mrs. Lori Ray, Chaperone at Central Junior High School, and Ms. Jamie Pruett, Chaperone at Denning Elementary School. Mr. Alexander seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0.

- IV. Adjourn:** Mr. Alexander made a Motion to Adjourn the meeting. Mr. Griffith seconded the Motion. The Motion carried 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

  
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President, Keith Griffith

  
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Secretary, Dawn Browning