

REGULAR MEETING OF THE KICKAPOO AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was held in the Library of the Kickapoo Area School District

EXPENSE REVIEW COMMITTEE: 6:30 P.M. (E. Wallace, Matthes, Jaynes)

No member of the public requested to speak either in person or remotely under Audience to Visitors

Public access was available to view the meeting live by visiting www.kickapoo.k12.wi.us 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the meeting for the YouTube live feed link

1. Roll Call

Upon roll call, all board members were present, with Rich Jaynes attending via Zoom. Also in attendance: Douglas Olsen, Aaron Mithum, Kim Johnson, Kristi Deaver, Melissa Wickert, and Beau Schroeder.

2. Affirmation of the Proof of Publication of the Agenda

Superintendent Douglas Olsen read the affirmation of the proof of publication of the agenda.

3. Approve Agenda

To approve the agenda as published and posted.

Motion to approve: Earl Wallace; 2nd: Isaac Wallace. Motion carried with all ayes.

4. Appointment of Board Member(s) to District #1

Beau Schroeder applied for one of the vacancies in District 1 and attended the meeting. Earl Wallace moved to appoint Beau to the board, with a 2nd by Scott Walter. Roll call vote carried with all ayes. Beau took the oath of office and was immediately seated.

5. Audience to Visitors/Board Members

Isaac Wallace shared that he recently rented the pool for a birthday party and said that while it was a great time for the kids, there was no seating available for adults. Superintendent Olsen explained that seating was being looked into, but the seating needs to be rust resistant due to the humidity of the pool. Also, the flooring in the multi-purpose room needs to be taken into consideration as well; chairs need to be constructed to make sure they don't damage the floor. Mr. Olsen and DJ McNamer will continue to look for seating and tables to keep the board informed.

6. Expense Vouchers/Receipts

To approve expense vouchers numbered 97841 through 97933 totaling \$500,336.14, P Card charges totaling \$52,444.44, and receipts totaling \$262,837.00.

Motion to approve: Scott Walter; 2nd: Earl Wallace. Roll call vote carried with all ayes.

7. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes from November 9, 2022 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Donation to School
- c. Letter of Resignation - Amy White-Math Teacher

To approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion to approve: Isaac Wallace; 2nd: Earl Wallace. Motion carried with all ayes.

8. Action Agenda

- a. Youth Basketball Coordinators and Volunteer Coaches

To approve the youth basketball coordinators and volunteer coaches as presented.

Motion to approve: Earl Wallace; 2nd: Scott Walter. Roll call vote carried with all ayes.

9. Informational Agenda

- a. Discussion Items
 - 1) School Report Card

Principals Aaron Mithum and Kim Johnson reviewed the 2021-22 school report cards with the board.

- 2) 2021-22 Audit Report

Superintendent Douglas Olsen and Bookkeeper Melissa Wickert reviewed the 2021-22 audit report with the board.

b. Schedule of Meetings

A Buildings/Grounds/Transportation Committee meeting will need to be scheduled prior to the January 11, 2023 board meeting.

10. Superintendent's Report

- Superintendent Olsen has been working with PMA to ladder short term borrowing for better interest rates on district CD's.
- The bidding process for the removal of asbestos under the gym floor will begin in the next week or two
- CESA 3 hosted a gathering for state legislators and a group of superintendents from CESA 3 to discuss school funding, staffing, and other challenges that districts are facing, Mr. Olsen participated in explaining the financial squeeze that high inflation has had on schools.
- Tile installation, and polishing of the pool floor to address staining of the plasters on the pool steps are scheduled for December 20 & 21, along with repairs to some valves and piping in the pool area to be handled soon.

11. Principals' Reports

Kim Johnson, Elementary

- A theater presentation of Grandpa and Lucy was recently held in the auditorium. Students learned about people with dementia; this presentation was provided by Teresa Gander, who works for Vernon County in the Aging and Disability dept.
- Elementary students will be going to the movies again for the first time since the pandemic on Wednesday, December 21st
- Mrs. Johnson has been attending SID - School Improvement Division and Leadership (Power of Positive Leadership) sessions at CESA 3
- The elementary Christmas Program was held this afternoon, with great performances by the students

Aaron Mithum, Middle/High School

- Mr. Smith and Mrs. Miller did a phenomenal job leading elementary students to a great performance at their concert today
- The donations made to the school in the past month are greatly appreciated
- Amy White, who recently resigned as math teacher, was acknowledged for her four years of service to the district
- The Sources of Strength program implemented by Mrs. Egge has been providing students with some great opportunities and activities for learning about kindness and acceptance of each other
- Middle School students are making Christmas cards for nursing home residents this year
- A huge thank you to Ellyn Leicht for stepping up, yet again, to fill in for a vacancy ~ she has agreed to be a long term substitute until semester for the math position that Amy White resigned from.
- A classroom hold drill was held earlier this week
- Juniors put forth good effort on their pre ACT test, ; blocks of time will be scheduled after Christmas break to engage in ACT review with students prior to taking the actual test in the spring
- Early graduation exit interviews will be held prior to the end of the semester
- Kathy Bresnahan, retired volleyball coach for the Iowa City West High School, spoke to students regarding the sudden death of their team's heart and leader and how they worked through the loss to win the championship in 2011.

12. Convene to Closed Session Wisconsin State Statute 19.85 (1) (c)

(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

PURPOSE: Custodial Position; Volunteer Wrestling Coaches; 2023-24 Principals' Contracts; Professional Development Agreement with Elementary Principal; 2023-24 District Administrator Contract; Math Position

To convene to closed session at 8:05 P.M.

Motion: Earl Wallace; 2nd: Isaac Wallace. Roll call vote carried with all ayes.

13. Reconvene to Open Session

To reconvene to open session.

Motion: Earl Wallace; 2nd: Isaac Wallace. Motion carried with all ayes.

14. Motions Made Following Closed Session Discussion

To approve Shaun Sherman as custodian for the district.

Motion to approve: Earl Wallace; 2nd: Isaac Wallace. Roll call vote carried with all ayes.

To approve Aaron Townsend and Gary Gutknecht as volunteer wrestling coaches.
Motion to approve: Earl Wallace; 2nd: Isaac Wallace. Roll call vote carried with all ayes.
15. Adjourn Meeting
To adjourn the meeting at 9:06 P.M.
Motion to adjourn: Isaac Wallace; 2nd: Scott Walter. Motion carried with all ayes.

Minutes submitted by Kristi Deaver, Board Secretary.

Attested By:

Board President

Board Clerk