A special board meeting of the School Board of said district was held in the Administrative Offices on the above date. The meeting was called to order by President Bajema at 5:58 p.m.

Members Present: Bajema, Grifhorst, Haidle, Joseph and Thorne
Member Absent:

Kent ISD Staff Present: Recording Secretary Conners, Allison Kaufman, Rebecca McIntyre, Joan Meyer, James Peterson, Robert Rouse, Laurie VanderPloeg

Guests: Leslie Martin, Consultant Mike Washburn

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President Bajema welcomed all guests. Consultant Washburn outlined the interview process and said there would be an opportunity for audience questions after the board interviews.

The board conducted an interview with Mr. Tom Martin, candidate for Kent ISD Superintendent. Mr. Martin answered questions from the board and from the audience.

The board took a ten minute break at 7:10 p.m. The board reconvened at 7:20 p.m.

Upon motion of Member Haidle, supported by member Thorne, it was resolved to adopt a resolution in support of Proposal 1 – Additional Funding for Michigan Schools and Protections of the School Aid Fund.

Ayes: Members Grifhorst, Haidle, Joseph, Thorne and Bajema
Nays: None
***Motion declared to have carried.***

The board reviewed and discussed all four candidates that interviewed for the Kent ISD superintendent position. Upon motion of Member Thorne, supported by Member Haidle, it was resolved to call the candidates listed below as finalists to be invited for a second interview with the Kent ISD Board of Education on March 31.

Ronald Caniff

Thomas Martin

Ayes: Members Haidle, Joseph, Thorne, Grifhorst and Bajema
Nays: None
***Motion declared to have carried.***

The board reviewed next steps and decided not to schedule site visits at this time. Recording Secretary Conners will schedule visits with the candidates and various stakeholder groups for input. President Bajema asked Recording Secretary Conners to notify the KISA Superintendents' Association and all Kent ISD staff of the finalists chosen for this position. Assistant Superintendent Koehler will craft a news release regarding the finalists.

The meeting was adjourned by President Bajema at 8:55 p.m.

Minutes Approved: April 20, 2015

Andrea Haidle, Secretary

Claudia Bajema, President

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