A regular 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 6:00 p.m.

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

Kent ISD Staff Present: Superintendent Konarska, Assistant Superintendents Hagerty, Koehler, Smith, Sullivan and Recording Secretary Conners; Directors Finkel, Ghareeb, Grandy, Kaufman, Peraino, VanderJagt, VanderPloeg and Weese; Principals Kimber and Kraus.

Guests: Todd Olson, Cynthia Grapczynski, Russ Wallsteadt

President Bajema opened the meeting and welcomed the guests in attendance.

Upon motion of Member Haidle supported by Member Thorne, it was resolved to approve the minutes of the regular school board meeting of March 9, 2015 and Special Board Meetings held March 9, 16, 18, 19, 31 and April 1, 2015. Also approve the minutes from the closed board meeting of March 9, 2015.

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

Upon motion of Member Haidle, supported by Member Thorne, it was resolved that the bills from March 1, 2015 through March 31, 2015 be allowed and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the amount summarized in the accounts payable report:

a.	General Education	$ 6,101,460.32
b.	Special Education	5,433,412.47
c.	Career Technical Education	504,327.03
d.	Cooperative Education	199,162.73
e.	Capital Projects:	
	1) General Education	1,360.00
	2) Special Education	354,897.84
	3) Career Technical Education	0.00
f.	Skutt Scholarship Fund	0.00
g.	Trust & Agency	23,180.05
h.	Internal Service Fund	8,880.73
	TOTAL	$ 12,626,681.17

Assistant Superintendent Hagerty reported that this total was similar to last month and included GSRP flow-through funds and IDEA Special Education federal dollars.

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

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Grifhorst, it was resolved to combine and approve the personnel recommendation action items F.1.a – F.1.c.

It was resolved to approve the personnel recommendations regarding resignations and terminations, appointments, new assignments and/or contract adjustments, leaves of absence, and temporary contract employees. A copy of the recommendations is included with the legal minutes of this meeting.

It was resolved to approve the Summer Calendar Recommendation. Assistant Superintendent Sullivan stated that this calendar recommendation is similar to what we have followed the past two years and allows for energy savings and for the maintenance staff to do more extensive summer cleaning on the scheduled days that the building is closed.

It was resolved to approve the hiring of one Great Start to Quality Kent Resource Center Quality Improvement Specialist. Assistant Superintendent Sullivan explained that this grant supported position is recommended as one full-time position in place of two temporary positions that previously supported this work.

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

Upon motion of Member Thorne, supported by Member Haidle, it was resolved to combine and approve all amendments to the 2014-15 General Education, Special Education, Career Technical Education, Cooperative Education, General Education Capital Projects, Special Education Capital Projects and Career Technical Education Capital Projects budgets. Assistant Superintendent Hagerty reported that this is the second budget amendment cycle of the school year. The final budget amendments are due in May.

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

Upon motion of Member Haidle, supported by Member Grifhorst, it was resolved to approve the payment of Act 18 funds to local districts in the amount of $18,079,607. Assistant Superintendent Hagerty reported that this has increased due to the increase in taxable value, and should continue to improve next year. This money is a great benefit to local districts.

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

Upon motion of Member Haidle, supported by Member Grifhorst, it was resolved to approve the Budget Hearing for May 18, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. and the "Notice of Public Hearing" to be published in the Grand Rapids Press.

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

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Grifhorst, it was resolved to adopt a resolution certifying that Kent ISD has met the requirements of best practice. Assistant Superintendent Hagerty stated that this resolution certifies that we have met all the requirements in order to receive the best practice incentive funds.

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

Upon motion of Member Haidle, supported by Member Joseph, it was resolved to award the project to redevelop a statewide technology readiness assessment application to Open Systems Technologies (OST) in the amount of $442,114.40 contingent upon successful contract negotiations. Assistant Superintendent Hagerty stated that this is part of the MTRAx/TRIG contract funds from the state grant that flow through Kent ISD. Plante Moran has helped review this work and recommend the vendor. Member Haidle stated that Plante Moran had done due diligence regarding this contract and asked about the administration of these spring assessments. Director Finkel said that the testing started on Monday and will be ongoing for the next two months. He reported that the technical aspect has gone smoothly. It will be some time before we receive data back from these assessments.

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

Upon motion of Member Grifhorst, supported by Member Haidle, it was resolved to approve the purchase of the FANUC education package for the Mechatronics Program through Integrated Systems Technologies in the amount of $42,904. Assistant Superintendent Hagerty reported that this educational pricing is a good buy for our program.

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

Upon motion of Member Haidle, supported by Member Thorne, it was resolved to approve the bid from Carrier Corporation in the amount of $25,837 for the replacement of unit ventilator equipment at the Kent Career Technical Center.

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

Upon motion of Member Haidle, supported by Member Joseph, it was resolved to approve the request for twenty (20) KCTC and KIH students to participate in an overnight trip to Fort Wayne, Indiana to continue the Historical Fort Project. Principal Kraus reported that this is a collaborative project that has been ongoing for the past 2 ½ years. The students are scheduled to wrap up the project this year and will have created a 3-D visualization field trip experience for students not able to travel to the historical fort.

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

Upon motion of Member Grifhorst, supported by Member Thorne, it was resolved to approve the request for four KCTC students to participate in the Michigan Industrial and Technology Education Society (MITES) State Competition May 14-15, 2015 in Canton, Michigan. Principal Kraus said that many students are currently involved in industry competitions this time of year. The MITES program is for the auto mechanics area. It is a competition for our students that one of the newer auto instructors has helped the students become involved in.

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

Upon motion of Member Haidle, supported by Member Thorne, it was resolved to appoint Recording Secretary, Cindy Conners, to act on behalf of Andrea Haidle, Secretary of the Kent Intermediate School Board, on all matters concerning the School Board election scheduled for June1, 2015.

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

Director Jarrad Grandy introduced Todd Olson (Aviation Mechanics Instructor), Russ Wallsteadt (Health Careers Instructor) and Cynthia Grapzcynski to provide an overview about some of the STEM programs available at Kent ISD and the research and innovative partnerships we are involved in.

Todd Olson provided a presentation on the STEM components of the aviation program. He said that this is an application rich environment and touches on 25 of the 48 different STEM disciplines. The aviation program works closely with the Kent ISD STEM consultants. They also collaborate with many programs including the Calvin College Engineering department and the local LEAs. They work with students that do not directly attend KCTC such as the Forest Hills Northern School Advanced Physics class. He brought in an unmanned aerial system that students have used to inspect the wind turbine propeller blades on campus. He stated that the precision metal forming program was highlighted at the Governor's Education Summit.

Instructor Russ Wallsteadt presented an overview of biomedical technology in the Health Science Early College Academy. They have three student team concepts which include future research scientists, future biomedical engineers, and future research medical professionals. He reviewed how this program ties in with the STEM programming and highlighted the many partners we work with on the medical mile.

Cynthia Grapzczynski from Grand Valley State University presented an overview entitled "A Dialogal Investigation of Becoming an IPE Facilitator". IPE stands for "inter-professional education" facilitator. This work is helping colleges prepare for new incoming students that have

completed the High School Common Core requirements, which is a different way of learning based on work from the Harvard Model. She reviewed their work involving students from several different majors as they overlap in the same class. Members Bajema and Haidle had questions on the cost effectiveness for universities and how this could be implemented in larger 100 level classes offered at the college level. Grand Valley State University currently does not use teaching assistants, but does have laboratory assistants and adjunct faculty to assist students.

Member Haidle stated that there is a meeting being held tomorrow in Sparta to review Proposal 1 and she thanked the Friends of Kent County Schools and Kent ISD staff for helping put together this informational meeting. She reported that Lieutenant Governor Calley's presentation on Proposal 1 at last week's KIASB awards dinner was very good.

Superintendent Konarska thanked Director Grandy and his staff for their presentation on the Kent ISD programs and STEM. He reported that the spring retreat with KISA superintendents will be held this Thursday and Friday in Big Rapids. They continue to focus on the four goals agreed upon which include:

Every child prepared for kindergarten
Every student reading at grade level in 3rd grade
Every student performing at grade level in math at 8th grade
Every student college and career ready

Superintendent Konarska congratulated the KCTC culinary program on winning the Education Excellence Award from MASB. KCTC students are also doing very well in the HOSA and SkillsUSA competitions that are currently happening at the regional, state and national levels. Superintendent Konarska congratulated the following Kent ISD staff for awards they have recently received:

Brandy Lovelady-Mitchell (HBCUTE Elite Educationalist Award)
Andrew Steinman (MACUL Outstanding Technology-Using Educator)
Laurie VanderPloeg (Harrie M. Selznick CASE Distinguished Service Award – National)

Superintendent Konarska thanked the board for their dedication and many hours of meetings last month as they named the incoming Kent ISD superintendent and helped Kent ISD achieve AdvancED accreditation.

The meeting was adjourned by President Bajema at 6:57 p.m.

Minutes Approved: May 11, 2015

Andrea Haidle
Andrea Haidle, Secretary

Claudia Bajema
Claudia Bajema, President

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