May 20, 2019 KENT ISD SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

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 Haidle at 6:02 p.m.

Members Present: Drake, Haidle, Joseph and Rettig
Member Absent: Bajema

Kent ISD Staff Present: Superintendent Caniff, Assistant Superintendents Hagerty, Smith, Sullivan and Recording Secretary Conners; Directors Baine, Brockway-Campbell, Dymowski, Finkel, Myers, Peraino and Stamas; Principals Bush, Graham and Kiley

Guests: Jordan Coleman, Capalene House, Nancy Misner, Shannon Spettel, Deb VanDyke

President Haidle welcomed all visitors and provided an opportunity for public comment.

Assistant Superintendent Sullivan presented the revised board policies for first reading. She reviewed the recommended changes. These policy updates will be brought to the board at the June meeting for second reading and approval.

Upon motion of Member Drake, supported by Member Joseph, it was resolved to approve the minutes from the Board Work Session of April 15, 2019 and the Regular School Board Meeting of April 15, 2019.

Ayes: All present
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Drake, it was resolved that the bills from April 1, 2019 through April 30, 2019 be allowed and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the amount summarized in the accounts payable report:

a. General Education $ 5,909,001.81 
b. Special Education 25,356,279.33 
c. Community Service 61,096.07 
d. Career Technical Education 887,368.00 
e. Cooperative Education 39,853.58 
f. Capital Projects:
   1) General Education 14,435.46 
   2) Special Education 12,318.37 
   3) Career Technical Education 34,216.57 
g. Skutt Scholarship Fund 0.00 
h. Trust & Agency 6,877.30 
i. Internal Service Fund 0.00 
TOTAL $ 32,321,446.49
Assistant Superintendent Hagerty stated that the final Act 18 payout to local districts are reflected in this month’s payments.

Ayes: Members Drake, Joseph, Rettig and Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Rettig, supported by Member Joseph, 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. Assistant Superintendent Sullivan reminded board members of the retirement celebration next week. HR is busy filling 70 Center Program vacancies, hiring replacement staff for retirees and holding new staff orientations to onboard all the new Center Program staff.

Ayes: Members Joseph, Rettig, Drake and Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Rettig, it was resolved to approve the creation of five new facility staff positions to support the operations at the Center Program buildings as of July 1, 2019. Director Peraino outlined the staffing model recommended which models the current staffing model at Pine Grove.

Ayes: Members Rettig, Drake, Joseph and Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Drake, supported by Member Joseph, it was resolved to approve the creation of a new position for a Web Compliance and Communications Assistant. Superintendent Caniff stated that this position is the result of an OCR complaint received last year that our website is not compliant with ADA accessibility requirements. This new position will oversee and update the web pages edited by many staff and will monitor web pages and control quality. Assistant Superintendent Sullivan stated that this is a reflection of our increasing internet presence.

Ayes: Members Drake, Joseph, Rettig and Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Rettig, it was resolved to approve the creation of a new Social Studies Teacher position for KEC Beltline. Director Dymowski stated that we currently have 7-8 students at KEC Beltline that are on a diploma track. This hire would provide a teacher for each of the four core subject areas and provide all courses necessary to earn a diploma.

Ayes: Members Joseph, Rettig, Drake and Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried.
Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Drake, it was resolved to approve the KCTC, KTC, KIH, MySchool@Kent, GSRP and Center Program calendars for the 2019-2020 school year. Assistant Superintendent Sullivan thanked the many groups that worked collaboratively to complete these many calendars.

Ayes: Members Rettig, Drake, Joseph and Haidle
Nays: None

Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Rettig, it was resolved to approve the collection of summer taxes from local cities and townships per existing agreements.

Ayes: Members Drake, Joseph, Rettig and Haidle
Nays: None

Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Rettig, supported by Member Joseph, it was resolved to approve the collection of summer taxes per new agreements with Algoma Township and Lowell Charter Township.

Ayes: Members Joseph, Rettig, Drake and Haidle
Nays: None

Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Rettig, it was resolved to approve the recommended 2019-20 tax levies:

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Ayes: Members Rettig, Drake, Joseph and Haidle
Nays: None

Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Drake, it was resolved to approve the low bid from Vector Group in the amount of $290,910.00 for the purchase and installation of replacement network equipment at Kent ISD’s Center Program locations. Director Finkle explained that these would replace all wireless access points. The current equipment is the property of Grand Rapids Public Schools and the switches need to be upgraded to a common standard. These expenses are covered from the Special Education and Center Program Capital Project funds.

Ayes: Members Drake, Joseph, Rettig and Haidle
Nays: None

Motion declared to have carried.
Upon motion of Member Drake, supported by Member Rettig, it was resolved to approve Enviro-Clean Services, Inc. as the custodial contractor for Lincoln Campus, to include Lincoln Developmental Center, Lincoln School, and the KVO Building. This company has the contract for Pine Grove and is familiar with Kent ISD programs.

Ayes: Members Joseph, Rettig, Drake and Haidle
Nays: None

*Motion declared to have carried.*

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Drake, it was resolved to approve Progressive AE as the design-build firm to perform summer renovations for KCTC’s Health Careers program and Design Lab, and KTC’s Early Childhood/GSRP Classroom at a cost of $290,151.48.

Ayes: Members Rettig, Drake, Joseph and Haidle
Nays: None

*Motion declared to have carried.*

Upon motion of Member Rettig, supported by Member Drake, it was resolved to approve the purchase of additional furniture for the KVO Building on the Lincoln Campus at a cost not to exceed $90,000.

Ayes: Members Drake, Joseph, Rettig and Haidle
Nays: None

*Motion declared to have carried.*

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Drake, it was resolved to approve the purchase of three vehicles under capital outlay at a total cost of $75,601. These include:

- Utility Van: Gorno Ford $24,052.00
- Passenger Van: Gorno Ford $27,254.00
- ¾ Ton Utility Van: Todd Wenzel GMC Buick $24,295.00

The original vehicles will be held for potential use between campuses.

Ayes: Members Joseph, Rettig, Drake and Haidle
Nays: None

*Motion declared to have carried.*

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Rettig, it was resolved to approve Integrity Business Solutions for the purchase and installation of capital outlay furniture for KCTC Administration offices and Career Navigation & Enrollment offices in the amount of $40,220 and $27,130.40 respectively. Director Peraino stated that these items were reviewed through the capital outlay process. The goal is to have this furniture installed before the start of the 2019-20 school year.

Ayes: Members Rettig, Drake, Joseph and Haidle
Nays: None

*Motion declared to have carried.*
Upon motion of Member Drake, supported by Member Rettig it was resolved to approve the disposition of surplus equipment.

Ayes: Members Drake, Joseph, Rettig and Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Joseph, supported by Member Drake, it was resolved to approve the request for five (5) Kent Career Technical Center students and two (2) Kent Career Technical Center advisors/chaperones to participate in a trip to Louisville, Kentucky on June 24-29, 2019 to compete in the SkillsUSA 2019 National Competition.

Ayes: Members Joseph, Rettig, Drake and Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Drake, supported by Member Joseph, it was resolved to adopt a resolution in support of adequately funding Michigan schools with the resources recommended in the School Finance Research Collaborative adequacy study. Superintendent Caniff reviewed the current legislative climate and the importance of this work that shows the true cost to educate all children equitably. The resolution will show Kent ISD’s formal support for the findings in this study.

Ayes: Members Rettig, Drake, Joseph and Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried.

Upon motion of Member Rettig, supported by Member Joseph, it was resolved to approve the sale of 1425 Fuller Avenue NE to Allen & Jennifer Halla and the sale of 1431 Fuller Avenue NE to Jacqueline Waalkes per the terms in the purchase agreements; and authorize the Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services to execute any documents necessary to conclude the sale of these homes. Assistant Superintendent Hagerty stated that due to the strong market both homes had multiple offers and sold in three days.

Ayes: Members Drake, Joseph, Rettig and Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried.

Member Drake shared about the Godfrey-Lee School Senior Capstone projects. These included a KIHS student and a student in the current Kent ISD welding program. He informed the board that the welding student had been offered full-time employment with many benefits upon graduation.

President Haidle reported on the GED graduation ceremony she attended this past week. She offered condolences to the family of Mark McKulsky, the MASB president who died unexpectedly this past week. She reported on a current KIASB board member recently diagnosed with a serious illness. She reminded board members of the August 14 opening day activities with a 9:00 a.m. kickoff at Calvary Church.
Superintendent Caniff congratulated Principal Graham and two current and one past KCTC student who earned the 2019 Breaking Traditions award from MDE’s Office of Career and Technical Education. He congratulated Principal Kiley on the partnership with Michigan Rehabilitation Services that is helping 33 KTC students get their first job this summer. Superintendent Caniff reviewed the Fiber WAN project. Three districts in Region 1 are now live, with four more in the process of hooking up. So far everything has worked well. Construction is starting on phase 2 to provide the fiber network to Regions III/IV.

Principal Bush reported on the KIH Senior walk and graduation ceremony. Superintendent Caniff reported that 43 students have graduated from their local districts with the assistance of the MySchool@Kent program this school year.

The meeting was adjourned by President Haidle at 6:47 p.m.

Minutes Approved: June 17, 2019

Andrea Haidle, President

Claudia Bajema, Secretary