The Kent ISD Biennial School Board Election meeting was opened at 6:00 p.m. by President Andrea Haidle.

Members Present: President Haidle, Superintendent Caniff, Recording Secretary Conners

Representatives Present: Yvonne Boucher, Byron Center; Marcy White, Caledonia; Matt Block, Cedar Springs; Ted Spangenberg, Comstock Park; Shelly Schram, East Grand Rapids; Suzanne Callahan, Forest Hills; Julie Anderson, Grand Rapids; Bob Wondergem, Grandville; Marie Groters, Kelloggsville; Mary Crawley, Kenowa Hills; Dan Winell, Kent City; Mimi Madden, Kentwood; Pat Nugent, Lowell; Liz Ensing, Northview; Lisa Kreager, Rockford; Amanda VanStrein, Sparta; Kristen Cove, Thornapple Kellogg; Craig Popma, Wyoming

Guests: Sabrina D., Samantha Neddo, Graduate students of GVSU Social Work program

President Haidle thanked everyone for taking time from their busy schedules to support Kent ISD in this election process. She provided opportunity for public comment. Introductions were made around the room.

There are two openings for a six year term beginning July 1, 2019. President Haidle reviewed the candidates – David Drake and Bill J. Joseph.

There is one opening for a partial term from July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2021. President Haidle reviewed the candidates: Matthew Rettig and Eric-John Szczepaniak.

President Haidle appointed Mimi Madden (Kentwood Public Schools) and Amanda VanStrein (Sparta Area Schools) as tellers. Recording Secretary Conners distributed the ballots. Completed ballots were folded and inserted in a ballot box by each voting member. The tellers counted the ballots and submitted the results to President Haidle.

Votes tallied were unanimously in support of electing David Drake and Bill J. Joseph to a six-year term (2019-2025) on the Kent ISD School Board. Matthew Rettig was elected by a 16-2 vote for a partial term (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2021) to serve the remainder of the term vacated by Frederick Thorne on the Kent ISD School Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Approved: June 17, 2019

Claudia Bajema, Secretary