

KENT INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT ESC Bldg. Grand Room Kent County, Michigan August 15, 2022

A regular meeting of the School Board of said district was held at the administrative offices on the above date. The meeting was called to order by President Haidle at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Bajema, Featherston, Rettig, Drake, Haidle

Members Absent:

Kent ISD Staff Present: Superintendent Koehler, Assistant Superintendents Gardner, Philipps, Rodgers, Finkel, Myers, Glass; Directors; Karsten, Peraino, Lamar; Principals; Verwey, Lienesch and Recording Secretary Lovell.

Guests: Erin Zacek, Deb VanDyke

President Haidle welcomed visitors and turned the meeting to Director Tim Peraino for a facilities presentation. Director Peraino shared an overview of the major facilities projects that took place over the summer including roofing, road repairs and several other building improvements. The work will continue at KCTC as they build capacity for the culinary and marketing programs to return from the Downtown Market. The facilities team continues to work on their equity vision by collaborating with administrators to ensure an equitable environment for all students. President Haidle thanked Director Peraino for his work coordinating the move from the Downtown Market, which will greatly reduce student transportation time and increase time on task in the classroom.

Upon motion of Member Drake, supported by Member Bajema, it was resolved to approve the consent agenda action items a-c.

Ayes: Drake, Featherston, Rettig, Bajema, Haidle

Nays: None

Motion declared to have carried.

Approve the minutes from the Regular School Board Meeting of June 20, 2022 and Regular/Organizational School Board meeting of July 18, 2022.

Approve the bills from July 1, 2022 through July 30, 2022 be allowed and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the amount summarized in the accounts payable report.

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.

Approve the addition of one (1.0) FTE LPN for Center Programs Lincoln Developmental Center.

Approve the purchase of furniture for the ESC Superintendent's Office from Custer Office Environments in the amount of \$49,895.44.



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Approve the Launch U 2022-23 Student Handbook.

Approve the MySchool@Kent course offerings provided by EDynamic and Apex.

Approve the MySchool@Kent 2022-2023 Student Handbook

Approve the Kent Innovation High 2022-2023 Student Handbook.

Approve the Kent Career Tech Center 2022-2023 Student Handbook.

Approve the Kent Transition Center 2022-2023 Student Handbook.

Upon motion of Member Featherston, supported by Member Drake, it was resolved to approve the purchase of 25 welding booths in the amount of \$355,000 from RoboVent Solutions Group. Assistant Superintendent Philipps noted these booths will duplicate the product currently installed at KTC and will be purchased outside of the OMINA cooperative agreement using CTE Capital Project Funds.

Ayes: Featherston, Rettig, Bajema, Drake, Haidle

Nays: None

Motion declared to have carried

Upon motion of Member Rettig, supported by Member Bajema, it was resolved to approve the recommendation to repeal the existing NEOLA Board Policies and adopt Thurn Law Board Policies with the exception NEOLA board policy 0144 and Thurn Law anti-bullying policy 5207 that requires a public hearing.

Ayes: Rettig, Bajema, Drake, Featherston, Haidle

Navs: None

Motion declared to have carried

Assistant Superintendent Finkel shared an overview of the Envisio software that was purchased to assist with the execution of the Kent ISD strategic plan. The software will track the progress on each goal and objective and features a robust reporting tool.

Member Bajema noted she has joined *Together West Michigan*. This comprehensive grass roots organization began a few years ago to identify the needs throughout West Michigan. Member Bajema has volunteered to sit on a childcare subcommittee and will keep the board informed.

President Haidle shared that MASB's 2022 Delegate Assembly will begin Thursday, October 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the Grand Traverse Resort and encouraged board members to attend.

Superintendent Koehler shared that MASB's Legislative Policy Agenda meeting will be held on October 26 from 7:00-8:30pm at the Kent ISD Educational Service Center. Assistant



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Superintendent Glass will provide board members with the Education Advocates of West Michigan's top legislative priorities prior to this meeting.

At the July Board Meeting, board members agreed to vote on any purchases \$99,999 or over as a separate action from the consent agenda. After consideration, new purchases that are not routine in nature, will also will be separate action items on the school board meeting agenda moving forward.

The Michigan Health Endowment granted Kent ISD \$500,000 to support the statewide consortium for the student perception survey. Last year, 14 districts outside of Kent ISD participated in administering the survey. This grant will provide us the opportunity to build capacity within our statewide consortium and continue our outreach efforts. This longitudinal data will be shared with legislators and serve as an additional measure for student success.

Superintendent Koehler welcomed board members to join us for the Kent ISD Kick Off on Thursday, August 18, 2022 from 1:30-3:30pm in front of KEC Beltline.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:37p.m.

Minutes Approved: September 19, 2022

Andrea Haidle, President

Claudia Bajema, Secretary

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