



Kenowa Hills Public Schools

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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Committee of the Whole Preliminary Minutes
Monday, August 12, 2024 at 6:30 pm
Kenowa Hills Administration Building
2325 4 Mile Road NW, Grand Rapids MI 49544

I. Routine and Organizational Business

- A. President LaBotz called the Committee of the Whole Workshop to order at 6:31 p.m. at the Administration Building, 2325 4 Mile Road NW, Grand Rapids, MI. 49544.
- B. President LaBotz opened the meeting with a moment of silence.
- D. Members Present: Gustinis, Hart, LaBotz, Roberts, Robinson, and Turner are present. Member Courtade arrived at 7:18 p.m.; Superintendent Hopkins, Assistant Superintendent Dinkelman, and Director of Finance Gilchrist are also present. President LaBotz appointed Member Roberts to serve as the Temporary Secretary until Treasurer Courtade arrives.
- E. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Gustins to approve the agenda. **Motion passes 6-0.**

CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVE AGENDA

II. Hearings and Correspondence

- A. Recognition and Correspondence
 - 1. Contributions to the District - Superintendent Hopkins acknowledged with appreciation the individuals and businesses who made a donation to the District.
- B. Correspondence - None
- C. Board Communication - Members reported on various district events in which they participated.

CORRESPONDENCE

BOE
COMMUNICATION

III. Discussion/Information Items

- A. Strategic Plan School Level Goals - Building administrators presented their learning community's SMART goals.
- B. Finance
 - 1. June 2024 Check Register
 - 2. July 2024 Check Register
 - 3. Condensed Fund Statement
 - 4. Investment Incomes
 - 5. FY2025 Budget Update
 - 6. Grounds and Snow Removal Contract
- C. Superintendent's Report
 - 1. Bond Construction Update - Progress at the Middle School remains on schedule although all areas of the school will not be accessible for secondary registration during the week of August 19. Contractors are hoping to have the all areas accessible in time for the Open House on August 27.
 - 2. Therapy Dog Addition - Superintendent Hopkins noted a teacher at Zinser Elementary has expressed interest in being a thereapy dog handler. Board members discussed the merits of expanding the therapy dog pilot. More information will be obtained before any action is considered.

Strategic Plan School
Level Goals

- D. Recommended Policy Additions/Revisions (First Reading) - Superintendent Hopkins noted these policies revisions are required due to the new Title IX regulations, which became effective August 1, 2024.
1. Policy 2264 - Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities (New)
 2. Policy 2266 - Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities (Revised)

IV. **Public Comment:** One person addressed the Board.

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct Board of Education business. There will typically be no attempt to comment or give answers at this meeting. Audience members who wish to make comments are invited to complete the appropriate form located at the entrance. Each speaker has a maximum of three (3) minutes to address the board. Inquiries requiring a response will be referred to the superintendent in the cases where contact information is provided. We ask all individuals making public comments to follow our board policy.

V. **Action Items**

- A. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member Turner to approve the Consent Agenda. **Motion passes 7-0.**

CONSENT AGENDA

1. June 24, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. June 2024 Check Register: General Fund Expenditures of \$1,424,816.51 using checks #83194 through 83273; School Lunch Fund expenditures of \$36,213.82 using checks #11148 through 11154; 2022 Building and Site Series expenditures of \$282,877.61 using checks #39- 42; 2024 Athletic Bond Series expenditures of \$131,338.02 using checks #1-8; Student Activity expenditures of \$14,025.62 accounting for checks #97198 through 97220: Total expenditures for the month total \$1,889,271.58.

JUNE 2024 CHECK
 REGISTER

3. July 2024 Check Register: General Fund expenditures of \$1,029,818.33 using checks #83274 through 83374; School Lunch Fund Expenditures of \$37,613.75 using checks #11155 through 11161; 2016 Bond expenditures of \$500 on check #1; 2020 Bond expenditures of \$500 on checks #1-2; Capitol Project expenditures of \$19,748.00 using checks #10-11; 2022 Building and Site Series expenditures of \$739,403.93 using checks #43-46; 2024 Athletic Bond expenditures of \$2,235.43 using checks #9; Student Activity expenditures of \$17,333.70 using checks #97221 through 97226. Total expenditures of \$1,847,653.14 for the month of July.

JULY 2024 CHECK
 REGISTER

- 4 Certified Staff Personnel Report

- B. Motion by Member Gustinis supported by Member Turner to approve the Tentative Agreement with the Kenowa Hills Transportation Association as delineated in **Report #24-048**. Secretary Courtade took a roll call vote. **Motion passes 7-0.**

TRANSPORTATION
 AGREEMENT REPORT
 #24-048

- C. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member Turner to approve the Tentative Agreement with the Kenowa Hills Education Association as delineated in Report #24-049. Treasurer Hart abstained from discussion and voting on this item due to a conflict of interest. Secretary Courtade took a roll call vote. **Motion passes 6-0.**

KHEA AGREEMENT
 REPORT #24-049

	Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A
Courtade	Y	___	___	Hart	___	___	A	Roberts	Y	___	___
Gustinis	Y	___	___	LaBotz	Y	___	___	Robinson	Y	___	___
								Turner	Y	___	___

- D. Motion by Member Hart supported by Member Courtade to approve the Tentative Agreement with the Kenowa Hills Support Staff Association as delineated in **Report #24-050**. Trustee Robinson abstained from discussion and voting on this item due to a conflict of interest. Secretary Courtade took a roll call vote. **Motion passes 6-0.**

KHSSA AGREEMENT
 REPORT #24-050

	Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A
Courtade	Y	___	___	Hart	Y	___	___	Roberts	Y	___	___
Gustinis	Y	___	___	LaBotz	Y	___	___	Robinson	___	A	___
								Turner	Y	___	___

- E. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member Hart approve the Kenowa Hills Central Office Support Staff cost of living and longevity increases and the Administrator increases as delineated in **Report #24-051**. Secretary Courtade took a roll call vote. **Motion passes 7-0.**

	Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A
Courtade	Y	__	__	Hart	Y	__	__	Roberts	Y	__	__	Turner	Y	__	__
Gustinis	Y	__	__	LaBotz	Y	__	__	Robinson	Y	__	__				

VII. Future Items for Consideration

- A. Future Meetings
- 08/26/24 6:30 pm Regular Board of Education Meeting - Administration Building
 - 09/09/24 6:30 pm Committee of the Whole Meeting - Administration Building
 - 09/23/24 6:30 pm Regular Board of Education Meeting - Middle School
 - 10/14/24 6:30 pm Committee of the Whole Workshop - Administration Building
 - 10/28/24 6:30 pm Regular Board Meeting - High School
- B. Go Around

VIII. Adjournment

- A. Seeing no additional agenda items, President LaBotz adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm

Respectfully submitted,

_____, Secretary

CENTRAL OFFICE
SUPPORT STAFF AND
ADMINISTRATIVE
CONTRACTS
REPORT #24-051

FUTURE MEETINGS

GO AROUND

ADJOURNMENT