



**Kenowa Hills Public Schools
Education inspired.**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special Meeting Preliminary Minutes
Kenowa Hills Central Elementary
4252 Three Mile Road NW, Grand Rapids MI
Monday, September 28, 2020 at 6:00 pm**

I. Routine Business

- A. A special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 pm at Central Elementary, 4252 Three Mile Road NW, Grand Rapids, MI.
- B. President Gustinis opened the meeting with a moment of silence.
- C. Members Present: Courtade, Gustinis, Hart, Rettig, Storey, Szczepaniak, Truskoski; Superintendent Hopkins and Assistant Superintendent Burde were also present. Director Gilchrist arrived at 6:37 PM
- D. Motion by Member Truskoski supported by Member Storey to approve the agenda. Motion Approved 7 - 0.

CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVE AGENDA

II. Hearings and Correspondence

- A. Correspondence - None.
- B. Board Communication - Members reported on various events in which they participated during the past couple of weeks.
- C. Community/Board Dialogue (Comments Specific to Board Agenda Items) - No comments from the public.

CORRESPONDENCE

BOE COMMUNICATION

COMMUNITY DIALOGUE

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct Board of Education business. President Gustinis reminded attendees that all public comments are limited to five (5) minutes and that there will typically be no attempt to comment or give answers at this meeting. Inquiries will be referred to the superintendent for response at a later time. President Gustinis asked there was anybody in-person who wished to make comment.

III. Information Item

- A. Superintendent Report
 - 1. Extended Continuity of Learning (ECOL) Plan
 - a. Superintendent Hopkins shared details regarding requirements for reviewing our Extended Continuity of Learning (ECOL) Plan. This will be a standing item on the agenda this year to allow us to check and adjust on a monthly basis.
 - b. Superintendent Hopkins shared the number of quarantine and positive cases at Kenowa Hills. This information is being provided to parents weekly. Although we experienced positive cases that have resulted in students and staff having to quarantine, most of the cases have occurred outside the school setting with exposure limited in large part due to our many safety protocols.
 - c. Superintendent Hopkins provided information about the Kent ISD dashboard that has been created to provide data on COVID 19 cases throughout the county. The data is provided by the Kent County Health Department.
 - d. Assistant Superintendent Burde provided highlights of the ECOL Plan. It is important to note that our state funding is tied to passing a plan before October 1. There are 9 assurances that must be included in the plan. Kenowa Hills had all 9 assurances included in our original plan and has been following these since originally implemented. Choice is provided for instructional delivery to families which is a component of our plan. Canvas is an important tool that we are utilizing to help us pivot from face-to-face to virtual, if needed. Our optional considerations have included details about services provided to our English Language Learners, special education students and at risk students.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- e. Assistant Superintendent Burde explained our first round of NWEA testing has begun and will be complete by the end next. Testing results will be used to determine baseline data for the goals that are established within the ECOL.
 - f. Superintendent Hopkins provided details about attendance and how this is measured differently at the secondary level now that they have 3.25 blocks (half days). This will be similar to an elementary attendance record of morning and afternoon.
 - g. Profile of a Graduate is still a focus to our district. Mr. Bill Dinkelman is working on generating themes and lessons based on the profile that can be shared with students in the spring. 21st Century report cards are also being reviewed to determine how we can incorporate this information on student transcripts. Michigan Competency Consortium schools are working on this at about 15 schools statewide.
2. Enrollment Update
- a. Our enrollment is continuing upward week-to-week based on information collected from building secretaries every Friday through Count Day. We are about 30 students down from what we have budgeted; however, there was much uncertainty coming into the school year given the pandemic.

IV. Action Items

- A. Motion by Member Truskoski supported by Member Storey to approve the consent agenda. Motion Approved 7-0.
 - 1. September 14, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes.
- C. Motion by Member Storey supported by Member Truskoski to adjourn to closed session to receive legal counsel per MCL 15.268(h). Report #20-075. Secretary Storey took a roll-call vote. Motion Approved 7 - 0.

	Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A
Courtade	X			Hart	X			Storey	X			Truskoski	X		
Gustinis	X			Rettig	X			Szczepaniak	X						

The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 6:40 p.m.
 The meeting adjourned to Open Session at 6:55 p.m.

V. Future Items for Consideration

- A. Public Comment (Nonagenda Items) - No comments from the public.
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- B. Future Meetings
 - 1. 10/05/20 6:30 p.m. Policy Committee
 - 2. 10/05/20 7:30 p.m. Finance Committee
 - 3. 10/12/20 7:00 p.m. Board of Education Meeting, Middle School
- C. Go-Around - Those at the board table shared final remarks and reminders.

VI. Adjournment

- A. Motion by Member Storey supported by Member Truskoski to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. Motion Approved 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Storey, Secretary

ACTION ITEMS

09/14/20 MEETING MINUTES
 ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION
 Report #20-075

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT

FUTURE MEETINGS

ADJOURNMENT