

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 4:00 p.m.

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

Kent ISD Staff Present: Superintendent Koehler, Assistant Superintendents Philipps, Gorman, Rodgers, Glass, Gardner, Myers and Finkel; Recording Secretary Lovell; Directors, Karsten, Lamar, Peraino, Dymowski, Store, Hendry; Principals Verwey, Lienesch; Staff members: Katie McClintic, Kathryn O'Hara Wallis, Julie Guenther, Marlene Raffler, Cassandra Gober

Guests: Effie Guenther, David Allen Schutte, John Merrill

President Haidle welcomed visitors and turned the meeting over to Director Hendry to present the Leading Learning awards. The Leading Learning awards were presented to Olivia Niemiec, Cassandra Gober and Marlene Raffler. Supervisors and colleagues were given the opportunity to share words of appreciation on behalf of the recipients.

Assistant Superintendent Sue Gardner shared a presentation on the CareerPrep 2030 Initiative. The goal is to prepare and train students for careers in West Michigan and attract businesses to develop and grow in our community. Workgroups will convene throughout the summer to discuss strategies and a clear vision that they can be brought to the full workgroup this Fall.

Upon motion of Member Rettig, supported by Member Bajema, it was resolved to approve the consent agenda items outlined below.

Ayes: Bajema, Drake, Rettig, Haidle
Nays: None

Motion declared to have carried

Approve the minutes of the May 15, 2023 Regular School Board Meeting and School Board Budget Meeting.

Approve the bills from May 1, 2023 through May 31, 2023 be allowed and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the amount summarized in the accounts payable report.

a. General Education	15,179,701.45
b. Special Education – Center Programs	290,035.54
c. Special Education	8,937,636.23
d. Community Service (Enhancement Millage)	65.73
e. Career Technical Education	536,630.61
f. Cooperative Education	51,4367.34
g. Student/School Activity Fund	3,974.16
h. Capital Projects:	

1) General Education	9,266.50
2) Special Education	148,152.70
3) Career Technical Education	591,206.21
i. Internal Service Fund	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$25,748,136.47

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 two KIEA teacher layoffs as outlined in the board packet.

Approve the two tentative agreements for the GSRP Lead Teachers and GSRP Associate Teachers.

Approve the addition of a Director of Teacher Development for Instructional Services.

Approve the multiple position changes in the Information and technology and Data Services Department.

Approve the addition of one (1.0) School Psychologist for the *Early On* Program.

Approve the addition of two (1.0) Board Certified Behavior Analysts to implement Skill Based Treatment for Region II.

Approve the addition of one (1.0) Adult & Educational Interpreter for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing-Total Communications Program.

Approve to reinstate the Director of Communications position.

Approve the donations received from various donors for the 22-23 school year.

Approve the GSRP and Center Programs 23-24 Handbook.

Approve the application maintenance package contract from Bulb Digital in the amount of \$35,000 for the implementation of Single Sign On for Our School Data.

Approve the application maintenance package contract from Bulb Digital in the amount of \$30,000 for the continued support of Our School Data and MiCIP integration applications.

Approve the purchase from GameTime/Sinclair Recreation in the amount of \$55,909.50 for the repair and replacement of playgrounds at various Center Program sites.

Approve the reclassification of the Safety and Security Coordinator to the Director of Safety and Security.

Upon motion of Member Bajema, supported by Member Rettig, it was resolved to approve the committed funds designation for June 30, 2023.

Ayes: Bajema, Rettig, Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried

Upon motion of Member Bajema, supported by Member Rettig, it was resolved to approve the Goalbook Toolkit subscription for our local districts' special education teachers and staff.

Ayes: Rettig, Bajema, Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried

Upon motion of Member Rettig, supported by Member Bajema, it was resolved to approve the purchase of furniture for the Mechatronics Program in the KTC building from Custer Office Environments in the amount of \$160,938.39.

Ayes: Bajema, Rettig, Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried

Upon motion of Member Bajema, supported by Member Rettig, it was resolved to approve the final amendments for the 22-23 budget.

Ayes: Rettig, Bajema, Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried

Upon motion of Member Rettig, supported by Member Bajema, it was resolved to approve the resolution to adopt the 23-24 budget. Assistant Superintendent Kevin Philipps shared that all 20 districts passed their resolution to support the Kent ISD 23-24 proposed budget.

Ayes: Bajema, Rettig, Haidle
Nays: None
Motion declared to have carried

President Haidle provided the opportunity for public comment. Daniel Schutte shared his views on the changes he would like made in public education. John Merrill also provided public comment sharing his experience in GSRP and the importance of inclusivity throughout the program. President Haidle thanked them for their comments and shared that it is our goal to help each child achieve their fullest potential.

Member Bajema thanked the leadership team for their extraordinary work during her 18 years serving on the Kent School Board. Superintendent Koehler and Board members thanked Member

Bajema for her service and commended her on the many students that she has impacted over the years.

Superintendent Koehler shared that our expanded leadership team met today for an annual retreat that focused on strategies to better serve our students. Understanding our student voice helps us to meet students where they are to provide better outcomes and close achievement gaps. The MI Student Voice Perception Survey is one example of how we are able to identify these needs and engage students at a deeper level. This year's survey was conducted by 58 districts with over 30,000 student responses statewide focusing on three domains including social emotional learning, student engagement and belonging.


CareerPrep 2030 is another example of our work to provide better opportunities for our students. Kent ISD has been budgeting additional Career Tech Ed funds for several years to allow for this work to become a reality. Our committee of business leaders and community partners will begin strategizing over the Summer to provide a clear vision of CTE programming later this Fall.

The meeting was adjourned by President Haidle at 4:35 p.m.

Minutes Approved: July 24, 2023



Andrea Haidle, President



Matt Rettig, Vice President