



Kenowa Hills Public Schools
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Preliminary Minutes
Monday, February 28, 2022 at 7:00 PM
Alpine Elementary, 4730 Baumhoff NW, Comstock Park MI

I. Routine Business

- A. A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:01 p.m. at Kenowa Hills Alpine Elementary, 4730 Baumhoff NW, Comstock Park, MI.
- B. President Hart opened the meeting with a moment of silence.
- C. Members Present: Courtade, Gustinis, Hart, LaBotz, Roberts, Szczepaniak, Truskoski; Superintendent Hopkins, Assistant Superintendent Dinkelman and Director Gilchrist are also present along with Student Representatives Elise Zahrt and Alex Cappendyk.
- D. Motion by Courtade supported by Labotz to approve the agenda. **Motion approved 7 - 0.**

CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

II. Public Comment - four attendees provided comments.

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. Any person in violation of the policy for disruptive conduct will be asked to leave. Any threats or suggestions of violence will be turned over to law enforcement.

III. Hearings and Correspondence

- A. Recognition
 - 1. Introduction of Student Representative Alex Cappendyk.
 - 2. Introduction of Deputy Emily Bishop, Kenowa Hills School Liaison Officer with the Kent County Sheriff's Department.
 - 3. Donations of winter apparel were made to Alpine Elementary by members of the Women's Tennis Group, Trinity Congregational Church and Ada Congregational Church. A list of contributors is available upon request.
 - 4. Donations of winter apparel and \$500 for Central Elementary by Grand Rapids Area Realtors.
 - 5. Donations of winter apparel were made to Zinser Elementary by members of Remembrance Church. A list of contributors is available upon request.
- C. Board Communication - Members reported on various events in which they participated during the past couple of weeks.

RECOGNITION

BOE COMMUNICATION

IV. Discussion/Information Item

A. Alpine Elementary Spotlight, Mr. Jason Snyder

1. Mr. Snyder shared information about Alpine's partnership with Grand Valley State University to assign teacher assistants and student teachers to Alpine Elementary in the last year of their undergraduate program.

ALPINE SPOTLIGHT

B. Superintendent Hopkins' Report

SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT

1. LiveStream Board Meetings

- a. Superintendent Hopkins shared details about the options presented to livestream meetings in the future. The pros and cons of each option were discussed. The costs for the third option are not firm as we are still waiting for quotes due to this being a custom setup.
- b. This topic will be reviewed during the budget process to help prioritize this expense.

2. Goal Areas/Goals

- a. Superintendent Hopkins reviewed the goal areas that were discussed at the Regular Meeting. The areas included Student Voice, Mental Health, Educational Development Plan/Exploring Career Pathways, and Family Engagement. The board discussed their thoughts and suggestions for the goals they would like to see Superintendent Hopkins focus on this year.
- b. Superintendent Hopkins will draft goals to be discussed at the upcoming Committee of the Whole Work Session.

3. COVID Update

- a. Superintendent Hopkins provided information about the number of district positive cases, quarantines and individuals being monitored on the watch list.
- b. Information was shared about the public health policies that have been rescinded due to the rapid decline in positive cases.
- c. The federal mandate for wearing masks on school buses has been rescinded and masks are no longer required on the bus.

C. Board Workshops (Self-Evaluation/Norms/Professional Learning/Retreat)

1. The board is requesting a self-evaluation workshop that will include updating norms. Superintendent Hopkins will contact MASB to schedule this workshop.

V. Action Items

ACTION ITEMS

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

CONSENT AGENDA

1. February 14, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
2. Striking of Delinquent Taxes - Alpine Township
3. Striking of Delinquent Taxes - City of Walker

- B. Motion by Member Truskoski supported by Member Courtade to approve the recommended policy change to po0167.3 - Public Participation. Report #22-021. Roll call taken by Secretary Szczepaniak. **Motion rejected 0-7.**

	Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A
Courtade	—	X	—	Hart	—	X	—	Roberts	—	X	—	Truskoski	—	X	—
Gustinis	—	X	—	LaBotz	—	X	—	Szczepaniak	—	X	—				

Motion by Member Szczepaniak supported by Member Roberts to approve the recommended policy change to po9130 - Public Complaints. Report #22-021. **Motion approved 7-0.**

- C. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member LaBotz to approve the resolution to Opt Out of State Schools of Choice Section 105 Program for the 2022-23 school year. Report #22-022. **Motion approved 7-0.**
- D. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member LaBotz to approve the resolution to Opt In to State Schools of Choice Program Section 105c for the 2022-23 school year. Report #22-023. **Motion approved 7-0.**
- E. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member Szczepaniak to approve a resolution to participate in the Kent ISD Collaborative Schools of Choice Program for the 2022-23 school year. Report #22-024. **Motion approve 7 - 0.**
- F. Motion by Member Szczepaniak supported by Member Courtade to take action on the proposed high school course proposals for the 2022-2023 school year - 1) Knight Life II; 2) Project Lead the Way-Engineering, Design and Development; and 3) a name change from P.E.A.K. Legacy to Sports Administration. Report #22-025. **Motion approved 7 - 0.**
- G. Motion by Member LaBotz supported by Member Courtade to take action on the proposed middle school course proposals for the 2022-2023 school year - 1) Practical Skills & Healthy Living or Family & Consumer Sceince; 2) The Heart of Rock and Roll; and 3) a name change from Computer Science to Computer Programming. Report #22-026. **Motion approved 7 - 0.**
- H. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member Roberts to approve the Kenowa Hills Middle School Bond Construction Bid Awards. Report #22-027. **Motion approved 7 - 0.**
- I. Motion by Member Gustinis supported by Member Courtade to take action on the proposed athletic turf/track replacement using unspent funds from the 2016 bond proposal and up to \$500,000 from the Capital Projects Fund. Report #22-028. **Motion approved 7 - 0.**

V. Future Items for Consideration

A. Future Meetings

1. 03/14/22 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole Meeting - Administration Building
2. 03/28/22 7:00 pm Regular Board of Education Meeting - Central Elementary
3. 04/13/22 6:00 pm Committee of Whole Meeting - Administration Building
4. 04/25/22 7:00 pm Regular Board of Education Meeting - Early Childhood Ctr

POLICY UPDATE po0167.3 Report #22-021

POLICY UPDATE po9130 Report #22-021

OPT OUT OF SOC 105 Report #22-022

OPT IN SOC 105C Report #22-023

OPT IN KISD SOC Report #22-024

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE PROPOSALS Report #22-025

MIDDLE SCHOOL COURSE PROPOSALS Report #22-026

MIDDLE SCHOOL BOND CONSTRUCTION BIDS Report #22-027

TURF/TRACK REPLACEMENT Report #22-028

FUTURE MEETINGS

B. Go-Around

VI. Adjournment

- A. Seeing no additional agenda items, President Hart adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Eric-John Szczepaniak, Secretary