



BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Monday, November 11th, 2024 – 6:30 PM
Kentwood Public Schools
5820 Eastern Ave SE
Kentwood, MI 49508

The regular meeting of the Kentwood Board of Education was held on Monday, November 11th, 2024. The regular meeting was called to order by Board President Mimi Madden at 6:30 P.M.

Present Mimi Madden, President
 Sylvia James, Vice President
 Allen Young, Secretary
 Pete Battey, Treasurer
 Tanya Powell-May, Trustee
 Kim Taboada-Arzate, Trustee
 Marlon Brown, Trustee
 Kevin Polston, Superintendent
 Jamie Gordon, Executive Director
 Todd Bell, Executive Director
 Sunil Joy, Executive Director
 Carrie Tellerico, Executive Director
 Bre Bartels, Executive Director
 Veronica Lake, Executive Director
 Carrie Tellerico, Executive Director
 Sydney Hanlon, Recorder

Absent: None.

Mrs. Madden explained the procedure for the audience participation portion of the agenda. She asked all persons wishing to address the Board to sign the participation card prior to that item of business (Bylaw 9115 and PA 267, Sec. 3(5)).

AUDIENCE
PARTICIPATION
PROCEDURE

The superintendent's report included the following:

SUPT'S REPORT

Congrats to our 4 board members who were re-elected! Thank you to our board members for donating to the united way for the KPS KIDS program! Veterans Day- list of staff members who are veterans. Board Policies coming - we will send them to the policy

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committee this week to review. If the policy committee would like to convene we can prior to the board meeting in December, as well as in between first and second reading.

Motion by Mr. Battee, supported by Ms. James, to approve Kentwood Public Schools' participation in a national lawsuit against insulin manufacturers and pharmacy benefit managers. This recommendation also includes authorizing the Superintendent, or their designee, to sign the necessary agreement with the Frantz Law Group, with legal guidance from Thrun Law Firm, to represent Kentwood Public Schools in this case.

NATIONAL
LAWSUIT
PARTICIPATION

Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Powell-May, supported by Ms. Taboada-Arzate, to approve the employment of the attached list.

NEW HIRES

Motion carried

Motion by Mr. Brown, supported by Mr. Young, to approve the disbursement summary for October 2024.

DISBURSEMENT
SUMMARY

Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Taboada-Arzate, supported by Mr. Young, to go into closed session for the purpose of 3 student reinstatements (in accordance with Policy 0160 and PA 267 of 1976, section 8.b.)

CLOSED SESSION

Motion carried. Roll Call vote.

OPEN SESSION at
7:05pm

Motion by Mr. Battey, supported by Mr. Young, to approve the reinstatement of Student A.

STUDENT
REINSTATEMENT -
STUDENT A

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Battey, supported by Mr. Brown, to approve the reinstatement of Student B.

STUDENT
REINSTATEMENT -
STUDENT B

Motion carried.

Motion by Ms. Taboada-Arzate, supported by Ms. Powell-May, to approve the reinstatement of Student C.

STUDENT
REINSTATEMENT -
STUDENT C

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Young, supported by Mr. Brown, to go into closed session for the purpose of superintendent evaluation

CLOSED SESSION
- SUPT EVAL

Motion carried. Roll Call vote.

OPEN SESSION at
7:58pm

Motion by Ms. Taboada-Arzate, supported by Mr. Brown, to approve the superintendent evaluation rating as effective.

SUPT EVALUATION

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Battey, supported by Ms. James, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

The board meeting adjourned at 8:00P.M.

Allen Young, Secretary