

KELLOGGSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Regular Meeting – October 23, 2023  
Report No. 23-37

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES OF MEETING

Regular Meeting – October 09, 2023

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Groters, Mrs. Reidzans, Ms. Rocha, Ms. Sellers, Mrs. Tanis and Ms. Townsend

Absent: Mrs. Ward

Also present: Jim Alston, Superintendent

Jeff Owen, Director of Instruction

Eric Alcorn, Assistant Superintendent

Terri Ricketson, Chief Financial Officer

Ngoc Dinh, Student Board Representative

Myrece Moore, Student Board Representative

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

President Tanis called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board and Visitors recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled board meetings will be held:

October 23, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center

November 13, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center

November 27, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center

December 11, 2023 @ 5:30 p.m. Board of Education Center

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter of appreciation was shared for the Board's expression of sympathy in the loss of Tammy & Dave Skinner's mother/mother-in-law.

VISITORS

President Tanis welcomed visitors.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mrs. Reidzans, seconded by Ms. Townsend, to remove Consent Agenda Item #23-30 [Approval of Personnel Report], to be voted on separately.

Yeas: 6

Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Mrs. Reidzans, seconded by Ms. Sellers, to approve Consent Agenda items 23-29 and 23-31.

23-29 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from 09/25/23

22-31 Approval of Teacher Tenure List

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Yeas: 6      Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

It was moved by Ms. Rocha, seconded by Mrs. Reidzans, to approve Consent Agenda item 23-30 [Personnel Report].

Yeas: 5      Nays: 0      Abstain: 1 [Sellers]

MOTION CARRIED

#### ACTION

##### A. Approval: 2022-23 Audit

It was moved by Mrs. Tanis, seconded by Mrs. Reidzans, to approve the 2022-23 Audit as presented.

Yeas: 6      Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

#### PROPOSAL - None

#### INFORMATION & REPORTS

##### A. Student Count

Mr. Alston shared the results from the 2023 Fall Student Count, which was on Wednesday, October 04, 2023. The district count was 2242 and 98% of those were captured as of 10/09/23, which is very close to the projected enrollment of 2238, which was reflected in the budget. He compared those numbers to 2254 from the 2022 Fall Student Count, adding that the numbers indicate steady enrollment figures.

##### B. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp

Mr. Morrow reported on the successful camping experience 6<sup>th</sup> grade students had at Camp Manitou-Lin on September 27, 28, & 29. This is the second year that the students only attend camp during school hours, no overnight stay. 152 campers had the opportunity to experience a variety of camping activities, including canoeing, which was made available to students by attending earlier in the season than usual. He shared a brief video with board members, of students and the activities they participated in, adding that students were very engaged and excited to have this opportunity.

##### C. Board Goal Committee – Section B

The Board of Education Goal – Section B Committee (Owen – Chair, C. Groters, Roscoe, Mallett, Fountaine, Gentile, Lanser, Muhammad, Rocha, and Ward), shared an update on their goal progress:

##### Board Goal #2

*Monitor the data of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion programs across all curriculum areas and buildings throughout the district to ensure that we are meeting the needs of our students both academically and culturally.*

*Desired Results: Provide a district where students and adults are welcomed and supported; where their faces, voices and experiences are reflected in our curriculum and valued so the uniqueness of everyone is honored.*

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Instruction Goal #2

*Provide all students with equitable access to grade level content, with a specific focus on reading.*

*Desired Results: Reduce the achievement gaps that currently exist with our African-American, Multilingual Learners and students with I.E.P.s.*

Instruction Goal #7

*Evaluate the effectiveness of the service delivery model used by the resource rooms in the district.*

*Desired Results: Improve the academic performance of special education students at all levels.*

Community Goal #8

*Establish ways to share the accomplishments of our senior class with our community through the website and social media.*

*Desired Results: Showcase the capabilities of our students beyond the classroom and what they can achieve.*

Mr. Owen highlighted previous work that committees have accomplished for BOE Goal #2 that include; 2021-22 - Overview of DEI, Implicit Bias, Culturally Appropriate Schools, Staff/Student Panels and in 2022-23 – Staff/Student Panels, Equitably Support Students for Academic Success PD and DEI Committees. For the 2023-24 school year, the DEI Committee will continue review of the DEI surveys taken at the end of the 2022 and 2023 school years, looking for indicators of improvement. They plan to bring in an expert DEI Consultant from Kent ISD to the district’s DEI committee meetings and will work to update the pictures in the MS Cafeteria to better represent our student population. In addition, student focus groups will be formed at KHS from the MI Student Voice and Perception Survey that was given to students last year. For Instruction Goal #2, the committee will focus on working with Leading Educators to help build culturally responsive instructional practices throughout the district. Also, as part of this goal, the Special Education Department will be looking at ways to increase inclusion for students with IEPs by looking to leverage the supplemental aids and services to provide accommodations and modifications in general education to increase the amount of time students are able to access the general education classroom. For Instruction Goal #7, the committee will review curricular materials currently used in the classrooms, conduct meetings with each level of special education to identify strengths and areas of focus. They will identify other approaches when working with students with IEPs and have a goal that 80% of students with IEPs will receive 80% of their instruction in general education classrooms. Lastly, for Community Goal #8, the committee will continue to brainstorm ways to add what is currently being done in the area of sharing the accomplishments of our senior class through various social media platforms and will look to use the new digital signs as a way to share student success to our entire school community.

D. 2023 M-Step Update

Mr. Owen shared an update on how the district scored on the 2023 M-Step vs. the results from 2022 M-Step. He reviewed data by building grade level and KVS as compared to the averages of the District, ISD, and State. Many parts of the data show

growth and that scores are moving in the right direction, but he shared that we are still not where we want to be and that our staff and administrators will continue to work hard to improve student assessment scores.

OTHER MATTERS - None

STUDENT COMMENTS

- Ngoc Dinh – shared that Homecoming week went well, there was a lot of school spirit and the week ended with a very successful Homecoming dance;
- Myrece Moore – shared that the football team plays Pennfield this Friday. He also added that the Juniors beat the Seniors in tug-of-war during spirit week;

INTRODUCTION OF MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

- Ms. Sellers – expressed appreciation to Mrs. Ricketson for her hard work on the audit. She thanked the committees for the work they will put in to the goals this year and thanked staff for their hard work in our students’ test scores. She is also grateful that we are able to provide camp experiences for our 6<sup>th</sup> grade students;
- Mrs. Groters – nothing;
- Ms. Townsend – echoed Ms. Sellers’ comments;
- Mrs. Reidzans – enjoyed listening to the financial report and thanked Mrs. Ricketson for explaining it in simple terms. She also thanked her for all of her hard work in keeping the district in good shape. She shared that she was able to attend the Homecoming game last Friday and enjoyed it despite the cold and rain;
- Ms. Rocha – nothing;
- Mrs. Tanis – shared appreciation to Mrs. Ricketson for her hard work on the audit. She also enjoyed seeing the 6<sup>th</sup> graders having fun and bonding with other each other at camp and is appreciative of the work put in to making these experiences fun for our students;

ADJOURNMENT

President Tanis adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

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Marie Groters, Secretary  
Kelloggsville Board of Education

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Beth A. Postma  
Recorder

VISITORS: Keith Caterino, Chad Morrow, and Sue Lathrop