

KELLOGGSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting – March 10, 2025
Report No. 24-111

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES OF MEETING

Regular Meeting – February 24, 2025

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Reidzans, Ms. Townsend, Mrs. Ward,
Mrs. Tanis, Mrs. Groters, Mr. Flores-Garcia and Ms. Rocha
Also present: Jim Alston, Superintendent
Jeff Owen, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction
Holly Kleyn, Assistant Superintendent of Finance
Serena Preciado, Student Board Representative

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

President Ward 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:

- March 10, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center
- March 24, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center
- April 21, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center
- May 05, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center

COMMUNICATIONS - None

President Ward welcomed visitors.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mrs. Reidzans, seconded by Ms. Rocha, to approve Consent Agenda items 24-101, 24-102, 24-103, 24-104.

24-101	Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from 02/10/25		
24-102	Approval of Personnel Report		
24-103	Approval of 2026 and 2027 Graduation Dates for KHS/54 th St. Academy		
24-104	Approval of Expenditure Report		
	General Fund:	\$578,017.91	Food Service: \$14,579.14
	Child Care:	\$0.00	Capital Projects: \$0.00

Mrs. Kleyn reviewed the expenditures from the General Fund

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

ACTION

A. Approval: 2024-25 Budget Amendments

It was moved by Mrs. Tanis, seconded by Ms. Townsend, to approve the 2024-25 Budget Amendments as presented.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

PROPOSAL

A. 2025-26 Board of Education Meeting Dates

Mr. Alston proposed a board meeting schedule for 2025-26 based on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month, except for April and May 2026. The months of December and April will only have one (1) meeting scheduled due to school vacation breaks. Meeting times will be 5:30 p.m. when school is not in session and 6:00 p.m. when school is in session, this follows the same schedule as prior years. This proposal will be placed on the 03/10/25 agenda as a consent item.

B. Proposal: Community Celebration Date

Mr. Owen and Mr. Roscoe recommend the Community Celebration be held on Friday, September 12, 2025, followed by a football game against Fruitport. This timing is ideal, as the weather conditions are generally more favorable compared to later in the month. This proposal will be placed on the 03/10/25 agenda as a consent item.

C. Proposal: 2025 6th Grade Camp Dates

Mrs. Lanser presented new dates for the 6th grade camp in the fall of 2025. The first dates that were presented fell on student count day. The new dates selected are September 16-18. By moving the dates up, it should provide better weather conditions, which will allow more opportunities for student participation. This proposal will be placed on the 03/10/25 agenda as a consent item.

D. Proposal: Non-Homestead Millage

Mr. Alcorn shared an update with the Board on the District's upcoming Non-Homestead Election, which is scheduled to appear on the May 06, 2025 ballot. The update included a timeline outlining the various communication strategies that will be utilized to inform our voting community, following the same approach as in previous elections. As the election date approaches, communication efforts will be intensified. This proposal is a renewal of a millage that will expire with the 2025 tax levy. It is important to note that principal residences are excepted from this millage.

INFORMATION & REPORTS –

A. Report: Board Goals Committee – Section “C”

The Board Goals Committee – Section “C” (Owen - Chair, Ward, Tanis, Patin, Palmitier, Sherman, Schilthuis, Sellers, C. Groters), shared an update on their goal progress:

Board Goals #3

Engage parents and community stakeholders to invest, support, and improve the educational process.

Desired Results: Increase family and community engagement, create avenues for them to be involved, and potentially create a parent advisory committee.

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Instruction Goal #6

Increase parental involvement by including parents and community members in instructional committees such as curriculum review and district school improvement.

Desired Results: Ensure the district's goals and activities reflect our community's needs.

Human Resource Goal #3

Develop an election schedule for a non-homestead millage renewal for the district.

Desired Results: Market and pass millage proposal using the schedule for the spring 2025 election.

Community Goal #1

Research new ways for the district to reach out to the community.

Desired Results: Continue to engage community members effectively through our various platforms and how the district can benefit from those new platforms.

Community Goal #6

Organize a back-to-school communications plan that incorporates communication across the district.

Desired Results: Provide a balanced plan to share information with the community about the first day of school, busing, athletics, open houses, etc., that can be utilized on an annual basis.

Operations Goal #2

Monitor the implementation of Synergy, including Online Registration, Learning Management System (including LessonVue), Analytics, and Emergency Response.

Desired Results: Gain a better understanding of how staff, students, and parents use Synergy to chart a course for other implementations.

For Board Goal #3, Mr. Owen shared that a parent dinner was hosted on October 21st at the high school, with a strong turnout of parents who expressed interest in joining various parent committees. Additionally, Coffee Chats were held at each school building during the fall, and we are planning on holding them again in spring. We are also in the process of organizing a Curriculum Night at the high school, tentatively scheduled for April. This event will highlight the K-12 curriculum as well as the new STEM addition. We are making good progress on Instruction Goal #6, as we've had eight (8) parents sign up for the Reproductive Health Committee and we have a list of around 25 more parents that we are trying to get more involved. We will seek three to four more for our District School Improvement Committee. Mr. Alcorn shared the timeline update as to Human Resource Goal # 3. For Community Goal #1, we are hosting Community Coalition Meetings and expanding our outreach through various social media platforms. In addition, we are working to enhance the visibility and functionality of our website, which is frequently used by parents to access their ParentVUE accounts. We are also in the process of developing a KV Network document to facilitate internal sharing and communication. Mr. Owen also shared that for Community Goal #6, they are developing a comprehensive document to streamline our back-to-school

communications. Currently the document focuses on Rocket Registration, Online Registration, and School of Choice. This resource will be accessible for sharing, and we will include open house information once it becomes available. For Operations Goal #2, over 90% of our students have enrolled online. We now have access to analytics in Synergy, which provides us with detailed attendance, discipline and grade data for each building. Additionally, we are beginning to explore the assessment module to evaluate its potential benefits and capabilities for our needs.

OTHER MATTERS –

Mr. Alston expressed his gratitude to Mrs. Sleeman and Mrs. Bradley for their years of exceptional service and dedication to the district. They will be greatly missed.

STUDENT COMMENTS

- Serena – shared that the band received an offer to play with Calvin University, which they really enjoyed. She also qualified for state for a trumpet solo.

INTRODUCTION OF MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

- Mrs. Tanis – thanked Mrs. Kleyn for all of her hard work and for being so detailed and thorough with her reports;
- Mrs. Reidzans – expressed her enthusiasm about the band’s invitation to perform with Calvin University, highlighting the significance of such a wonderful opportunity. She also extended her congratulations to Serena for qualifying for state. Additionally, she expressed her sincere gratitude to the retirees for their many years of dedicated service;
- Ms. Townsend – thanked Mrs. Kleyn for everything she does, she also expressed her appreciation to everyone on the committees and to the retirees;
- Ms. Rocha – thanked the retirees for their years of service and dedication to the district. She also congratulated Serena and wished her luck at state;
- Mrs. Groters – congratulated the boys bowling team and the wrestler that qualified for state, what a wonderful opportunity for them;
- Mr. Flores-Garcia – thanked Mrs. Kleyn for all of her hard work and likes the analytics that we are now able to pull from Synergy on demand, it should be very helpful to staff. He also wished Serena luck on her trumpet solo at state;
- Mrs. Ward – Wished Serena good luck at state and thanked the retirees for their many years of service and expressed they will be greatly missed.

ADJOURNMENT

President Ward adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

VISITORS: Cassie Groters, Marissa Lanser, Serena Preciado, Angela Aguilar, Kelly Farkas,
Sue Lathrop.