

KELLOGGSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting – May 05, 2025
Report No. 24-141

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES OF
MEETING

Regular Meeting – April 21, 2025

ROLL CALL

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

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

President Ward called the meeting to order at 5:58 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:

May 05, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center

May 19, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center

June 09, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m. Board of Education Center

June 23, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m. Board of Education Center

COMMUNICATIONS – NONE

VISITORS

President Ward welcomed visitors.

- Ms. Lakesha Gibbs addressed the board regarding concerns with the educational process regarding her son.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mrs. Reidzans, seconded by Ms. Townsend, to approve Consent Agenda items 24-132, 24-133, 24-134, 24-135, 24-136.

24-132 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from 03/24/25

24-133 Approval of Personnel Report

24-134 Approval of Expenditure Report

General Fund:	\$598,278.91	Food Service:	\$11,837.06
Child Care:	\$0.00	Capital Projects:	\$14,861.00

Mrs. Scott reviewed the expenditures from the General Fund

24-135 Approval of Budget Hearing – 09 June 2025

24-136 Approval of Staff Appreciation Day – 06 May 2025

Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

ACTION

A. Approval: KIASB Election

It was moved by Mr. Flores-Garcia, seconded by Mrs. Tanis, to approve the KIASB Election as presented.

Yeas: 6 Nays: 0

MOTION CARRIED

PROPOSAL

NONE

INFORMATION & REPORTS

A. Report: Summer School

Mr. Owen presented an overview of the upcoming summer school program for K-12 students, which will largely follow the structure of previous years. The program has been shortened by one week this year due to the timing of the last day of school and the July 4th holiday. The elementary program will be held at Central Elementary from June 9 – June 26 (Monday-Thursday) with a focus on Reading and Math instruction. The program will go from 7:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. which includes on-site breakfast and lunch, and transportation for eligible students. KMS will host its program at the High School again this year, from June 9 – June 26 (Monday-Thursday), providing teacher led instruction in Math, English, Science and Social Studies. Details on the KHS and 54th Street's program will include instruction in four (4) core areas, using the APEX program. Students may make-up up to one credit (2 classes), for a \$50 tuition charge, refundable upon class completion. Students will attend June 9 – June 26 (Monday-Thursday) from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

B. Report: 2025-26 Staffing Overview

Mr. Alston provided an update on the staffing plan for the 2025-26 school year, highlighting key priorities such as maintaining student and academic supports, minimal changes to building assignment, avoiding layoffs and upholding fiscally responsibility. Thanks to the collaborative efforts of Mr. Alcorn and Mr. Owen, who have worked closely with building principals over the past three years to align staff placements with both effectiveness and job satisfaction, there have been very few staff-initiated transfer requests. Our counseling services and Mental Health Clinicians will remain fully staffed from last year and the English Learner (EL) levels will be reassessed in the fall to determine needs based on enrollment and budget considerations. Support staff will remain at their current level of hours. Most notably, for the third consecutive year, the district has achieved zero staff layoffs.

C. Report: Board Goals Committee – Section C

The Board Goals Committee – Section C (Owen – Chair, Ward, Tanis, Sellers, Patin, Palmitier, Sherman, Schilthuis, 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.

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.

Mr. Owen shared that for Board Goal # 3 and Instruction Goal # 6, a parent dinner in October, and Coffee Chats took place in the fall and in the spring. Due to a low turnout in the spring, future efforts will focus more heavily on fall engagement. One April 23, we will host our first Curriculum Night "Travel through Kelloggsville," where families can visit various locations, collect stamps, and enter to win prizes. A complimentary dinner will be provided. Eight (8) parents currently service on the Health Committee, which will remain a focus next year. For Human Resource Goal # 6, Mr. Owen reviewed the communication timeline for the upcoming Non-Homestead Millage Election on May 6. In support of Community Goal # 1, we are continuing to grow our KV Network, which documents our community partnerships. A new "Thank You" tab is being developed to collect

acknowledgments district-wide, to be shared in a special newsletter feature, and will be distributed to our community partners. In regards to Community Goal # 6, we are building a comprehensive back-to-school communications plan. A living document currently includes details on Rocket Registration, Online Enrollment, and Schools of Choice. Planning is underway for the 2025-26 school year, including potential implementation of new bus routing software. Lastly, for Operations Goal # 2, over 90% of families completed online enrollment last year. This year, enrollment opened on May 14th for new students and will open on May 19th for returning students. We've also begun using Synergy analytics and digital hall passes. Staff will receive Synergy Assessment training during our PD Day before school starts to help streamline the assessment process.

OTHER MATTERS –

Mr. Alston shared that only one staff member asked to be moved for next school year. They shared that they love what they are currently doing, but asked to keep them in mind if something opened up. We will also be looking at EL levels in the fall to see what our needs are. We have zero building moves for next year, one was scheduled but they retired. This is also the third year in a row with having zero layoffs. He also reminded everyone that our curriculum night is on April 23 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Mr. Alston also wished Mrs. Tanis a Happy Birthday.

STUDENT COMMENTS

NONE

INTRODUCTION OF MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

- Mrs. Tanis – thanked our administrators for working so hard on staffing for next year and is grateful we don't have any layoffs again;
- Ms. Townsend – thanked Mrs. Ormes for her many years of service to the district and to our students and to the administrators for continuing to get the best resources we need for our students. She also wished Mrs. Tanis a Happy Birthday and thanked our visitor who came and shared her concerns with the Board;
- Ms. Reidzans – welcomed everyone back from spring break and thanked Ms. Ormes for her dedication to the district;
- Mrs. Groters – congratulated the Rocket Recognition winners and expressed how so many of our staff go above and beyond. She also congratulated Cyrus Armstrong on winning the Boys & Girls Club Youth of the Year, which is a nationwide celebration recognizing outstanding young individuals and congratulated the robotics team on winning their first ever district event. Mrs. Groters also thanked Mrs. Benavitez for her work with Be SMART, stating that it's a great program;
- Mr. Flores-Garcia – expressed that he thinks the new parking lot at Southeast is a great addition, he knows how busy it gets in the morning and he loves the Be SMART program and everything they're doing and is looking forward to hearing more on security updates;
- Mrs. Ward – Dittoed what everyone else shared. She also expressed it's great to hear about all of the wonderful things happening in the buildings and around the

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district. She also shared that with all of the new executive orders, it could be a hit for public education. Mrs. Ward ended with wishing everyone a restful spring break.

ADJOURNMENT

President Ward adjourned the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

Marie Groters, Secretary
Kelloggsville Board of Education

Tammy S. Skinner
Recorder

VISITORS: Ericka Scott, Sue Lathrop, Lakesha Gibbs.