

KELLOGGSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting – September 25, 2023
Report No. 23-23

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES OF
MEETING

Regular Meeting – September 11, 2023

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Groters, Mrs. Reidzans, Ms. Rocha, Ms. Sellers,
Mrs. Tanis, Ms. Townsend and 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 6:02 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:

September 25, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center
October 09, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center
October 23, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center
November 13, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. Board of Education Center

COMMUNICATIONS - None

VISITORS

President Tanis welcomed visitors.

- Cassandra Duursma – KHS Parent/Community Member; shared her concern on the crosswalk at Division Ave/48th Street and the danger it presents to students/pedestrians trying to cross there. She referenced the KHS student recently struck by a car during the daytime while crossing and that other incidents have occurred as a result of the unsafe intersection. She shared that she has been in contact with the City of Kentwood/Wyoming to encourage them to conduct a traffic study and she is here tonight to share her concern with the Board in hopes that together, they can proactively advocate for a safer crossing for the protection of everyone. Mr. Alston shared that the District has been working collaboratively with the City of Kentwood on a grant they've received in hopes to design a new crosswalk at the end of the Middle School driveway. As this work progresses, the City of Wyoming will be included and all stakeholders will have input and share feedback on a safer solution.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Townsend, seconded by Mrs. Ward, to approve Consent Agenda items 23-16 and 23-17.

23-16 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from 08/28/23

23-17 Approval of Personnel Report

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 MOTION CARRIED

ACTION

A. Approval: 2023-24 KPS Goals

It was moved by Mrs. Ward, seconded by Ms. Sellers, to approve the 2023-24 KPS Goals as presented.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 MOTION CARRIED

B. Approval: 2023-24 Goal Committees

It was moved by Mrs. Ward, seconded by Mrs. Groters, to approve the 2023-24 Goal Committees as presented.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 MOTION CARRIED

C. Approval: MASB Delegates

It was moved by Mrs. Tanis, seconded by Ms. Sellers, to appoint/verify Mrs. Marie Groters as voting delegate for the MASB Assembly.

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0 MOTION CARRIED

PROPOSAL

A. District Field Trip Plan

KMS Assistant Principal, Mrs. Lanser, presented a comprehensive list of the field trips that our students will experience throughout the 2023-24 school year. Besides the list including overnight and trips outside the 50-mile radius, it also listed local trips that students will take part in as an extension of their classroom learning experience. This proposal will be placed on the 09/25/23 agenda as a consent item.

INFORMATION & REPORTS

A. Community Celebration

Mr. Owen shared plans for the Kelloggsville Community Celebration, which will take place on Friday, September 15, 2023 from 4:30 PM – 7:00 PM in front of Kelloggsville Middle School. Final preparations are underway with approximately 25+ groups being represented, providing a fun variety of activities for all ages, featuring more activities for kids than ever before. The entire school community is invited to this event, which concludes with the Rockets hosting Sparta for a varsity football game following the celebration.

OTHER MATTERS

Mr. Alston welcomed the KHS Student/Board Representatives to tonight's meeting, extending appreciation for their attending board meetings throughout the 2023-24 school year. Ngoc Dinh will be returning as a Senior representative and Myrece Moore will serve as the Junior representative. The Board also shared their appreciation to the students and look forward to working together with them this year.

STUDENT COMMENTS

- Ngoc Dinh – nothing;
- Myrece Moore – is ready to take on Sparta for Friday night football;

INTRODUCTION OF MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

- Ms. Sellers – shared that she will be attending the MI Pupil Accounting/Reporting Conference and will be unable to attend the next board meeting on 09/25/23. She hopes that everyone had a great start to the school year and looks forward to the Community Celebration on Friday;
- Mrs. Groters – thanked Mrs. Duursma for bringing her concern over the unsafe intersection to the Board's attention and that she has supported her efforts by signing her petition and appreciates her getting the community involved in making the crosswalk safer for everyone;
- Ms. Townsend – welcomed the Student/BOE Representatives and thanked tonight's visitor, Ms. Duursma, for bringing her concerns to the Board's attention. She added that she is also looking forward to a great school year;
- Mrs. Reidzans – also welcomed the students as BOE Representatives and that it is a great opportunity to grow student leaders. She also shared that she is encouraged by the list of field trips that students will have the opportunity to participate in;
- Ms. Rocha – extended appreciation to Ngoc and Myrece for taking time out of their busy schedules as Juniors/Seniors to serve as Student/BOE Representatives. She thanked Ms. Duursma for her efforts in making a safer intersection and looking out for our students. She is also looking forward to the Community Celebration this Friday;
- Mrs. Ward – shared that she has signed up to attend MASB's Behind the Scenes at the Capitol event on Wednesday and will be sure to bring back information from our state legislators. She welcomed the Student/BOE Representatives and thanked Ms. Duursma for being a caring and concerned citizen in helping to create a safer crosswalk in our community;
- Mrs. Tanis – shared the sno cone schedule for Friday's Community Celebration, adding that it will be great to see the community come out to enjoy this event. She extended appreciation to Ms. Duursma for advocating what is dear to her heart and thanked her for coming to tonight's meeting to share her concerns. She also welcomed the Student/BOE Representatives and looks forward to hearing from them throughout the school year;

ADJOURNMENT

President Tanis adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

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Marie Groters, Secretary
Kelloggsville Board of Education

Beth A. Postma
Recorder

VISITORS: Keith Caterino, Marissa Lanser and Cassandra Duursma.