

REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE KENOSHA UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD  
HELD FEBRUARY 28, 2023

A regular meeting of the Kenosha Unified School Board was held virtually on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. via the Google Meet platform. Ms. Adams, President, presided.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 P.M. with the following Board members present: Mrs. Schmaling, Mr. Price, Mr. Meadows, Mr. Battle, Ms. Stevens, Mrs. Modder, and Ms. Adams. Dr. Weiss was also present.

Ms. Adams, President, opened the meeting by announcing that this was a regular meeting of the School Board of Kenosha Unified School District. Notice of this regular meeting was given to the public by forwarding the complete agenda to all requesting radio stations and newspapers. Copies of the complete agenda are available for inspection at all public schools

Mrs. Tanya Ruder, Chief Communications Officer, recognized the Tremper High School Theatre Arts Program Cast and Crew Earned Awards at the Wisconsin Interscholastic Speech and Dramatic Arts Association State Theatre Festival and the Tremper High School Theatre Arts Program Cast and Crew Were Recognized at the Educational Theatre Association Thespy Competition.

Mr. William Haithcock, Chief of School Leadership, introduced the student ambassador, Eden Murray from Reuther Central High School, and she made her comments.

There were no Administrative or Supervisory Appointments.

Dr. Weiss gave the

Mrs. Modder gave the legislative report.

Views and comments were made by the public.

Remarks by the President were made by Ms. Adams.

Board members considered

It is recommended that the January 2023 cash receipt deposits totaling \$112,448.28, and cash receipt wire transfers-in totaling \$37,262,654.24, be approved.

Check numbers 619249 through 620144 (net of voided batches) totaling \$4,935,020.34, and general operating wire transfers-out totaling \$4,015,716.08, are recommended for approval as the payments made are within budgeted allocations for the respective programs and projects.

It is recommended that the January 2023 net payroll and benefit EFT batches totaling \$14,699,463.70, and net payroll check batches totaling \$6,746.86, be approved.

Consent- Approve item X-D Policy 1600 Visitors and Policy 1610 Registered Sex Offenders submitted by Mr. Haithcock and Dr. Weiss, excerpts follow:

In an effort to better align with updated visitor protocols and new technology providing schools with the instant ability to identify registered sex offenders, administration has reviewed Policy 1600 - Visitors and Policy 1610 - Registered Sex offenders and has proposed updates to each.

In the Fall of 2022, KUSD implemented the district-wide use of the Raptor Visitor Management System. Raptor System protocols provide schools with the ability to immediately identify registered sex offenders. This new capability allows KUSD schools to more readily identify potentially dangerous individuals and significantly increase levels of safety for all

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moral imperative:

Option #1: ALL students will feel safe, cared for, and learn to high levels without exception.

Option #2: ALL students will have an equal opportunity to prepare for college and/or careers in a learning environment that is resource rich, safe, and welcoming.

Mr. Price moved to approve Optio the support of  
equal opportunity to prepare for college and/or careers with the support of highly qualified educators in a learning environment that is resource rich, safe, and welcoming. Mrs. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Mr. Hamdan presented the LakeView Technology Academy Lease submitted by Mr. Patrick Finnemore, Director of Facilities; Mr. Hamdan; and Dr. Weiss, excerpts follow:

At the regular meeting held on June 28, 2022, the Kenosha Unified School District (KUSD) Board of Education voted unanimously to approve the relocation of the Lakeview Technology Academy to the new Kenosha Innovation Neighborhood (KIN) located on the former Chrysler engine plant site. A full copy of that board report is included as Attachment A for reference.

The current building housing Lakeview Technology Academy is owned by the Kenosha Area Business Alliance Foundation (KABAF) and leased to KUSD. We share the building with Gateway Technical College (GTC) with whom we have a sublease covering 35% of the monthly lease payment. This arrangement will continue once the school is relocated to the new KIN site. As stated in the approved board report, the monthly lease payment is scheduled to initially double and include escalators in future years. Attachment B is a summary of the proposed payment schedule.

It was also stated in that June 2022 report (Attachment A) that the administration would bring back to the Board a lease agreement for approval, a draft of which is included as Attachment C. Legal teams representing KABAF, the City of Kenosha, and KUSD are working to finalize mutually agreed upon insurance language that is highlighted in the document. Once this step is complete, the lease agreement will be ready for execution.

The new sublease between KUSD and GTC will also come to the Board for approval after KABAF/KUSD lease agreement is fully executed.

The administration recommends that the Board of Education approve the terms of the attached lease agreement between the Kenosha Area Business Alliance Foundation and the Kenosha

Dr. Bethany Ormseth, Principal at LakeView Technology Academy gave a LakeView Technology Academy KUSD Pathways PowerPoint presentation which covered the following topics: Lakeview Technology Academy, current LakeView pathways, project-based learning, industry-grade equipment, LakeView points of pride, existing LakeView building, opportunities, local automated manufacturing needs, KUSD student enrollment, and next steps/timelines.

Mr. Hamdan presented the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) II Grant Update submitted by Mr. Robert Neu, Director of Title Programs; Mr. Finn



medical concerns that are not reported by families when they fill out registration information. The nurse will contact families and discuss these medical concerns and create medical plans

identified students were invited to participate in the six-week program. The student-to-teacher ratio for these programs was capped at 18 to 1 (15 to 1 in 2021 SY). We continued to utilize the Reading Instruction for Students to Excel (RISE) curriculum for all grade level reading intervention instruction. For whole group reading instruction the Summer Lit Camp program was again used. During Summer School math classes, students were able to continue their interaction with workplace activities and the Bridges Math Intervention program. Several elementary schools continued to use a regional site partner plan while others held programs at their respective buildings (Appendix A). Shuttle opportunities were used to transport students to their regional site from their neighborhood school. Summer School transportation was provided for students who qualified for transportation during the regular school year.

At the middle school level, identified students attended the six-week Summer School program for intensive reading and math instruction at their boundary middle schools. The Strategic Adolescent Reading Intervention (STARI) curriculum was purchased for use as the summer English Language Arts curriculum. Middle school students participated in a Mindset 88 Math Camp, which focused on students developing a positive attitude towards math and their individual math abilities. Both programs had an 18-to-1 student-to-teacher ratio (prior year was 15-to-1).

High school students were offered the following course options for summer 2022: credit recover, high school newcomer English language development, iowa assessments, jump start to high school, and physical education.

The Life, Learning, and Leisure program serves students with significant disabilities, in grades 1st through 12th. Students enrolled in this program take part in activities that support





Additionally, this report also examines the graduation rates in terms of progress made during the three years beyond a designated graduation year, that is, the five-year rate of the Graduation Class of 2021 and seven year rate of the Graduation Class of 2019. This process aligns to both the Wisconsin state statute for allowing for a free education until a student reaches age 20.

The number of students in the cohort group of SY 2018-19 was 1,605, including 171 students who transferred out during the period between 2018-19, and the graduating school

*of regular Board meetings. The schedule of regular meetings so made shall remain in effect until the fourth Monday in April of the following year, unless changed by a majority vote of the School Board during the year. The Board may also eliminate scheduled meetings as long as*

At the April 25, 2022, Organizational Meeting, the following motion was approved:

*Ms. Stevens moved that the School Board meetings continue to be held at 7:00 P.M. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Educational Support Center and school sites to be determined. Mr. Price seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.*

Administration recommends the following changes to the regular school board meeting schedule for 2023:

<u>Original Meeting Date</u>	<u>Proposed Meeting Date</u>	<u>Reason for Change</u>
November 28, 2023	November 14, 2023	Week prior to Thanksgiving recess; and
December 26, 2023	December 12, 2023	Two weeks earlier due to winter recess

Mrs. Modder moved to approve the changes to the regular school board meeting schedule for 2023 as presented. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Ms. Stevens presented the Donations to the District.

Ms. Stevens moved to approve the donations to the district as presented. Mr. Meadows seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Ms. Stevens moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Meadows seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 P.M.