

REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE KENOSHA UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD  
HELD APRIL 28, 2014

A regular meeting of the Kenosha Unified School Board was held on Monday, April 28, 2014, at 7:00 P.M. in the Board Room of the Educational Support Center. Mrs. Coleman, President, presided.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M. with the following Board members present: Mr. Kunich, Ms. Stevens, Mr. Flood, Mr. Bryan, Mrs. Snyder, Mr. Wade, and Mrs. Coleman. Dr. Mangi was also present.

Mrs. Coleman, 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 and at the Superintendent's office. Anyone desiring information as to forthcoming meetings should contact the Superintendent's office.

Mrs. Tanya Ruder, Executive Director of Community Partnerships and Media Relations, presented the Battle of the Books Awards, the Tremper Blood Drive Award, the Skills USA Gateway Regional Competition Awards, the Spelling Bee finalists Awards, and the Elementary Black History Bee Award.

There were no Administrative and/or Supervisory appointments.

A Student Ambassador was not present.

There was no Legislative Report.

There were views and comments by the public.

Board members made their responses and comments.

Mrs. Coleman made her Board President remarks.

Dr. Mangi presented the Superintendent's Report which included a short video pertaining to summer school.

The Board considered the following Consent-Approve items:

Consent-Approve item XI-A – Recommendations Concerning Appointments, Leaves of Absence, Retirements, and Resignations as contained in the agenda.

Consent-Approve item XI-B – Minutes of the 3/25/14 and 4/3/14 Special Meeting and Executive Sessions, 3/25/14 Regular Meeting, and the 4/8/14 Special Meeting.

Consent-Approve item XI-C – Summary of Receipts, Wire Transfers, and Check Registers submitted by Ms. Heather Kraeuter, Accounting & Payroll Manager; Mr. Hamdan, Interim Chief Financial Officer, and Dr. Joseph Mangi, excerpts follow:

“It is recommended that the March 2014 cash receipt deposits totaling \$1,104,553.69 and cash receipt wire transfers-in totaling \$43,424,967.00, be approved.

Check numbers 505569 through 506696 totaling \$8,966,122.56, and general operating wire transfers-out totaling \$339,679.86 are recommended for approval as the payments made are within budgeted allocations for the respective programs and projects.

It is recommended that the March 2014 net payroll and benefit EFT batches totaling \$11,723,607.77 and net payroll check batches totaling \$9,575.76 be approved.”

Mr. Bryan moved to approve the Consent Agenda as contained in the agenda. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Mr. Robert Hofer, Purchasing Agent, presented the Report of Contracts in Aggregate of \$25,000 submitted by Mr. Hofer, Mr. Hamdan, and Dr. Mangi, excerpts follow:

“School Board Policy 3420 requires that all contracts and renewals of contracts in aggregate of \$25,000 in a fiscal year shall be approved by the School Board except in the event of an emergency as determined and reported to the School Board monthly by the Purchasing Agent.

The following contracts/agreement has not been added to the Contract Management Database and is being presented to the Board at this time for Board Approval:

- Compass Learning – Odyssey High School Courses.”

Mrs. Snyder moved to approve the Report of Contracts in Aggregate of \$25,000. Mr. Bryan seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Mr. Kristopher Keckler, Executive Director of Information Systems, Data Management, and Evaluation, presented the Approval of the 2014-2015 School Days Calendar and Elementary Early Release submitted by Dr. Bethany Ormseth, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Secondary School Leadership; Dr. Floyd Williams, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary School Leadership; Mr. Keckler; and Dr. Mangi, excerpts follow:

"The KUSD School Days Calendar provides the designation of instructional and non-instructional days to staff and students. Each school, depending on grade level designation, historically had to meet a DPI required number of instructional days and hours/minutes for student instruction. Recently, the state of Wisconsin removed the 180-day requirement (Act 257), but retained the hours/minutes requirement. This updated law grants greater flexibility to school districts that have to adjust for unforeseen school closures.

The calendar days allow proper planning for other related district areas, such as professional development and support services. Attached to this cover report are the four (4)

specific KUSD school calendars: elementary schools, extended year elementary schools (Frank/Wilson), middle school, and the high school calendars. Certain alternative schools and charter schools have some liberties from the traditional instructional time requirements. Each of those schools will communicate a final calendar version prior to the start of the start of the 2014-15 school year.

Also provided with this calendar proposal is the continuance of the early release designated days for elementary schools. Currently, each Friday at the elementary schools allows for a student early release schedule, with staff remaining to benefit from a dedicated collaborative work period.

Administration recommends that the School Board approve the proposed 2014-15 KUSD School Days Calendar and the designation of the Friday early release days for the elementary schools.”

Mrs. Snyder moved to approve the 2014-2015 KUSD School Days Calendar as contained in the agenda. Mr. Kunich seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Kunich, Mr. Flood, Mrs. Snyder, Mr. Wade, and Mrs. Coleman. Noes: Ms. Stevens and Mr. Bryan. Motion passed.

Dr. Sue Savaglio-Jarvis, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, presented School Board Policy 6452 – Student Progress Reporting submitted by Mr. Keckler; Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis; and Dr. Mangi, excerpts follow:

“On April 16, 2014, Board President, Ms. Rebecca Stevens, requested that Policy 6452: Student Progress Reporting be brought forward to the full board for a first reading on April 28, 2014. Ms. Stevens indicated the policy was discussed in depth at the committee meeting and should be forwarded to the full board for an update to reflect the changes which have been in place for nearly a year.

Administration recommends that the board of education conduct a first reading on Policy 6452: Student Progress Reporting this evening and consider for approval as a second reading at the May 27, 2014, regular board meeting.”

Mrs. Snyder moved to approve Policy 6452 - Student Progress Reporting as a first reading. Mr. Bryan seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr. Flood dissenting.

Mrs. Snyder moved to table the Final Notice of Teacher Non-Renewals Pursuant to Section 118.22, Wisconsin Statutes until May 5, 2014. Mr. Flood seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Mr. Bryan presented the Donations to the District as contained in the agenda.

Mr. Bryan moved to approve the Donations to the District as presented. Mr. Flood seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 P.M.

Stacy Schroeder Busby  
School Board Secretary