

REGULAR MEETING OF
THE KENOSHA UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD
HELD DECEMBER 8, 2020

A regular meeting of the Kenosha Unified School Board was held on Tuesday, December 8, 2020, at 7:00 P.M. in the Board Room of the Educational Support Center. Mr. Duncan, President, presided.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the following Board members present: Mr. Battle, Ms. Stevens, Mrs. Modder, Mr. Garcia, Ms. Adams, Mr. Wade, and Mr. Duncan. Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis

"It is recommended that the November 2020 cash receipt deposits totaling \$200,129.15, and cash receipt wire transfers-in totaling \$3,237,238.20, be approved.

Check numbers 597461 through 598062 (net of voided batches) totaling \$3,770,500.78, and general operating wire transfers-out totaling \$3,649,920.72, are recommended for approval as the payments made are within budgeted allocations for the respective programs and projects.

It is recommended that the November 2020 net payroll and benefit EFT batches totaling \$13,606,349.68, and net payroll check batches totaling \$11,665.39, be approved."

Mr. Wade moved to approve the consent agenda. Ms. Stevens

if we are faced with a widespread loss of internet or if we are experiencing an extremely severe emergency/crisis.

Lastly, we have updated the title of the policy and rule to align with the learning shifts that may be implemented.

Administration recommends that the board approve revised Policy and Rule 3643 – Emergency School Closings and/or Learning Adjustments as a second reading on Dec. 8, 2020.”

Ms. Stevens moved to approve revised Policy and Rule 3643 – Emergency School Closings and/or Learning Adjustments as a second reading as presented. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Board members provided their views and comments on the Return 2020 Plan. No action was taken on this agenda item.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis presented the Head Start Federal Grant Funds Budget Revision Request submitted by Ms. Luanne Rohde, Director of Early Education; Mr. Martin Pitts, Regional Coordinator of Leadership and Learning; Ms. Susan Valeri, Chief of School Leadership; and Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“Approval from the Board of Education is requested for a budget revision to move funds in the Head Start Federal Grant. Approval is requested to move \$88,000 to the equipment budget line to provide funds for maintenance work on the heating units at Chavez Learning Station, a federally owned building.

According to federal law, the governing body is required to approve of budget revisions. Maintenance work is required to be done on the HVAC system at Chavez Learning Station. These funds will be used for providing and installing a new Trane RTU to replace an old, worn out unit and all of the peripheral work needed to install this unit. The cost for this work to be done is estimated to be between \$80,000 and \$88,000. Chavez Learning Station is a federally owned building that houses the head start program.

Administration recommends that the school board approve the request to make these budget revisions in the amount of \$88,000 in the Head Start Federal Grant for the 2020-2021 school year.”

Ms. Rhode (virtual) answered questions from board members.

Mrs. Modder moved to approve the request to make these budget revisions in the amount of \$88,000 in the Head Start Federal Grant for the 2020-2021 school year. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Dr. Savaglio-

Administration recommends that the Board of Education approve the purchase contract with BrightBytes to utilize their student data analytics program for the next three years.”

Mr. Wade moved to approve the three-year purchase contract in the amount of \$175,000 with BrightBytes to utilize their student data analytics program. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Mr. Hamdan and Mr. David Maccoux (virtually), Principal Auditor at CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, presented the Annual Financial Report which included the independent auditors’ report, management’s discussion and analysis, basic financial statements, district-wide financial statements, fund balance statements, required supplemental information, additional independent auditor’s report for basic financial statements, and federal and state awards.

Questions from board members were answered by Mr. Hamdan and Mr. Maccoux. No action was taken on this item as it was provided for informational purposes.

and \$25 for every additional 15 minutes after the first hour not to exceed \$300 per hearing.
Ms. Adams

2. In compliance with Wis. Stat. §§ 118.38(1) and (1m), and for the reasons set forth herein, the Board of Education hereby directs the District Administrator or her designee to apply, on behalf of the Board, to the Office of the Superintendent for Public Instruction (OSPI) for the waiver of the following:

a. Waiver of the requirements to complete an Educator Effectiveness Cycle for educators in their Supporting and Summary Year in 2020-21, including waivers of the requirements to meet PI 8.01 and Wis. Stat. §§ 115.415 and 121.02(1)(q) for the 2020-21 school year only due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that execution of this Resolution is conclusive evidence of the Board of Education’s approval of this action and of the authority granted 42 herein at a duly-noticed meeting of the Board held on December 8, 2020.”

Mr. Battle moved to approve Resolution 371 – School Board Resolution for the Waiver of Certain School Board or School District Requirements Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Sections 118.38(1) and (1m). Mr. Garcia seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Ms. Valeri presented the 2021 WASB Proposed Resolutions submitted by Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“The Superintendent and Leadership Council reviewed the 2021 WASB proposed resolutions and make the following recommendations:

<u>Resolution</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
21-01	One-Cent Sales Tax for School Infrastructure, Technology and Tax Relief	Support
21-02	Broadband Access	Support
21-03	Enrollment Hold Harmless	Support
21-04	Instruction on Indigenous Tribes	Support
21-05	Special Education Flexibility to Address Emergencies	Support
21-06	Assessment and Report Card Waivers	Support
21-07	Rehiring Retired Teachers and Staff	Support
21-08	Superintendent Evaluations	Support
21-09	Comprehensive School Safety Legislation	Support
21-10	School District Mascots, Logos and Imagery	Support

It is recommended that the School Board provide direction to its delegate relative to the 2021 WASB proposed resolutions noted above and give the board delegate discretionary latitude to vote on amendments or other resolutions.”

Ms. Adams moved to approve administration’s recommendation to support the proposed 2021 WASB resolutions and give the board delegate discretionary latitude to vote on amendments or other resolutions. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Ms. Stevens presented Resolution 372 – National Mentoring Month, January 2021, which read as follows:

“WHEREAS, a number of organizations in the Kenosha community have partnered with the Kenosha Unified School District to offer a variety of mentoring programs that are designed to support student learning and success; and

WHEREAS, relationships that students build with caring mentors offer valuable support; and

WHEREAS, quality mentoring encourages positive choices, promotes self-esteem, supports academic achievement and introduces young people to new ideas; and

WHEREAS, mentoring provides the skills needed to build strong, positive relationships with family, friends and community members; and WHEREAS, mentoring programs have shown to be effective in combating school violence and discipline problems, substance abuse, incarceration and truancy.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that Kenosha Unified School District does hereby proclaim January 2021 as the annual observance of National Mentoring Month and recognizes those who volunteer their time to help in our mission of providing excellent, challenging learning opportunities and experiences that prepare each student for success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a true copy of this resolution be spread upon the official minutes of the Board of Education.”

Ms. Stevens moved to approve Resolution 372 – National Mentoring Month, January 2021. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Ms. Adams presented the Donations to the District.

Ms. Adams moved to approve acceptance of the gifts(s), grant(s) or bequest(s) as per Board Policy 1400, to authorize the establishment of appropriate accounts to monitor fiscal activity, to amend the budget to reflect this action and to publish the budget change per Wisconsin Statute 65.90 (5)(a). Ms. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 P.M.

Stacy Schroeder Busby
School Board Secretary