



BOARD OF EDUCATION
Committee of the Whole Work Session Preliminary Minutes
6:30 p.m., Monday, March 13, 2023
Kenowa Hills Administration Building
2325 Four Mile Road NW, Grand Rapids MI 49544

I. Routine Business

- A. A committee of the whole meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 pm at the Kenowa Hills Administration Building, 2325 Four Mile Road NW, Grand Rapids, MI.
- B. President Hart opened the meeting with a moment of silence.
- C. Members Present: Courtade, Gustinis, Hart, LaBotz, Roberts, Robinson and Turner; Superintendent Hopkins, Assistant Superintendent Dinkelman and Director John Gilchrist are also present along with Student Representative Zahrt.
- D. Motion by Member LaBotz supported by Member Courtade to approve the agenda.
Approved 7-0.

	Y N A		Y N A		Y N A		Y N A
Courtade	<u>X</u> _ _	Hart	<u>X</u> _ _	Roberts	<u>X</u> _ _	Turner	<u>X</u> _ _
Gustinis	<u>X</u> _ _	LaBotz	<u>X</u> _ _	Robinson	<u>X</u> _ _		

II. Hearings & Correspondence

- A. Correspondence - None
- B. Board Communication - Members reported on various district events in which they participated during the past couple of weeks.

III. Discussion/Information Item

- A. Strategic Plan Update - Assistant Superintendent Dinkelman provided an overview on the next steps associated with the development of the Strategic Plan. The steps were modified at the Board's request to preview the draft goals and objectives prior to getting feedback from stakeholder groups. The Board will preview the goals and objectives at the April 12 Committee of the Whole Meeting.
- B. Office of Teaching and Learning
 - 1. 98c Learning Loss Grant Update
 - i. Funds must be spent by September 30, 2023.
 - ii. KHPS Final Allocation = \$160,075
 - iii. KHPS is using funds to support mostly new programming or additional supports for identified students.
- C. Finance
 - 1. February 2023 Check Register
 - 2. Bond Investment Fund Update
 - i. Interest Income
 - ii. Investment Summary

CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVE AGENDA

CORRESPONDENCE

BOE COMMUNICATION

STRATEGIC PLAN

OFFICE OF TEACHING
& LEARNING

FINANCE

3. Condensed Fund Statement
4. Food Service Fund Balance - Director Gilchrist provided an overview of the purchases that will be made to spend down the fund balance as required by the Michigan Department of Education. Items to be purchased are as follows:
 - i. MS Food Service Equipment: \$570,925.60
 - ii. HS Freezer / Cooler Replacement: \$92,645.20
 - iii. Alpine external Freezer / Cooler: \$34,992.10
5. Middle Schools Science Stools Purchase
 - i. These are needed to match height of tables in new science rooms.
 - ii. The purchase would be for 192 chairs at a cost of \$169.80 per chair.
 - iii. Bond funds would be used for this purchase.
6. 2020 Series II Bond Sale
 - i. Resolution for the bond sale will be an action item at the next BOE meeting.
7. Athletic Enhancements Update - Director Gilchrist provided an overview of the recommended athletic improvements, outlining a three-year period in which this would be done. Projects outlined to be completed this fiscal year would need to be incorporated in the budget amendment.
 - i. HS Weight room update/upgrade
 - ii. Athletic Branding
 - iii. Field Maintenance - 6 Athletic Fields
 - iv. HS Athletic Locker Room updates
8. FY2023 March Budget Amendment
 - i. BOE will take action on a budget amendment at the next meeting.

D. Marketing

1. Report from Galapagos Marketing, LLC is included in the Board packet.

MARKETING

E. Therapy Dog Pilot Proposal

1. High School English teacher, Mrs. Allie Hughes presented a proposal regarding the purchase of a Paws for a Cause therapy dog.
2. The goal is to start with a dog at the high school funded by grants and donations.
3. The desire is to introduce more dogs in the district if this program is successful.

THERAPY DOG

F. Superintendent Goals

1. The Board reviewed 2023 Superintendent Goals.

SUPERINTENDENT GOALS

IV. Public Comment - 1 attendee provided comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct Board of Education business. There will typically be no attempt to comment or give answers at this meeting. Audience members who wish to make comments are invited to complete the appropriate form located at the entrance. Each speaker has a maximum of three (3) minutes to address the board. Inquiries requiring a response will be referred to the superintendent in the cases where contact information is provided. We ask all individuals making public comments to follow our board policy. Any person in violation of the policy for disruptive conduct will be asked to leave. Any threats or suggestions of violence will be turned over to law enforcement.

A. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member LaBotz to approve the Consent Agenda.
Approved 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. February 27, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. February 2023 General Fund expenditures of \$531,689.25 through and including checks #80128-80220 and payrolls of February 10 and 24, 2023; February School Lunch Fund expenditures of \$10,731.28 through and including checks #10923-10929; 2020 Building and Site Series expenditures of \$218,097.78 through and including checks #80173 & 80188; Activity Check Register expenditures of \$8,042.65 through and including checks #96909-96919.

	Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A
Courtade	X			Hart	X			Roberts	X			Turner	X		
Gustinis	X			LaBotz	X			Robinson	X						

B. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member Robinson to take action on the recommendation to publish **135** Kent ISD School of Choice openings and unlimited State of Michigan 105C School of Choice openings for the 2023-2024 school year. Report #23-022.
Approved 7-0.

SCHOOLS OF CHOICE
OPENINGS Report #23-022

	Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A		Y	N	A
Courtade	X			Hart	X			Roberts	X			Turner	X		
Gustinis	X			LaBotz	X			Robinson	X						

VI. Future Items for Consideration

A. Future Meetings

FUTURE MEETINGS

1. 03/27/23 6:30 pm Regular Board of Education Meeting - Alpine Elementary
2. 04/12/23 6:30 pm Committee of the Whole Meeting - Administration Building (Wednesday)
3. 04/24/23 6:30 pm Regular Board of Education Meeting - Administration Building
4. 05/08/23 6:30 pm Committee of the Whole Meeting - Administration Building
5. 05/22/23 6:00 pm Regular Board of Education Meeting - High School

B. Go-Around

VII. Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

- A. Seeing no additional agenda items, President Hart adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle M. S. Roberts, Secretary