

**KANKAKEE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD MINUTES
MARCH 15, 2021**

Board President, Mrs. Jill Duttlinger, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with all members present except Mr. Tim Helton.

Mrs. Katie Sampson read the Kankakee Valley School Corporation (KVSC) Mission Statement.

Mr. Stephen Eastridge recognized the Kankakee Valley High School (KVHS) Students of the Month:

Business	Taylor Schultz
Career and Technical Education/Human Services	Samantha Sullivan
Fine Arts	Wesley Miller
Foreign Language	Nicholas Miller
Language Arts	Jose Mancina
Mathematics	Danin Richardson
Physical Education/Health	Emma Bell
Science	Nathanial Boyd
Social Studies	Kirstin West
Technology	Mary Kathryn Shultz

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, names were only read.

Public Participation at Board Meetings

- Patrons must be recognized by the presiding officer and will be requested to preface their comments by an announcement of their name.
- Each statement will be limited to three (3) minutes in duration.
- All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members individually or speak about specific personnel.

Patrons

Mr. Brant Short, President of Wheatfield Little League, explained the League's request to construct a fence at Wheatfield Elementary School (WES). He added that he would appreciate their request for use of facilities being approved.

KVHS student and Junior Class President, Bella Cochran, requested that the Board allow an on-grounds prom at the school, and distributed a document explaining the proposal for both an indoor and outdoor prom, depending on the weather. Included in the document were survey results from students and parents.

Approved the minutes of the executive session and regular meeting on February 22, 2021, along with the special meeting on March 2, 2021.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen

Second: Mr. Bill Walther

Vote: 6-0

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Approved the Corporation Claims in the amount of \$2,200,699.92 and the Cafeteria Claims in the amount of \$65,063.15.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen

Second: Mrs. Katie Sampson

Vote: 6-0

Mr. Don Street, Superintendent, stated the KVSC 2020 School Corporation Annual Performance Report will be published in the KV Post News before the end of March, 2021. He further offered insight on how COVID-19 has affected our students' performance.

Jasper County continues with its Yellow COVID advisory status, reported Assistant Superintendent, Allisa Schnick. Seven (7) cases of the virus were reported within KVSC last week with zero (0) occurrences so far this week. As of today, teachers and support staff have become eligible for the vaccination.

Approved the following retirements:

1. KVHS Athletic Secretary, Donna Zuchowski, effective June 4, 2021.
2. Kankakee Valley Intermediate School (KVIS) Fourth Grade Teacher, Debra Kuhns, effective May 28, 2021.
3. Kankakee Valley Middle School (KVMS) Sixth Grade Social Studies Teacher, Suzanne Lovely, effective May 28, 2021.
4. KVMS Sixth Grade Language Arts Teacher, Doreen DeJong, effective May 28, 2021.
5. WES Principal, Cathy Vollmer, effective at the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion: Mrs. Katie Sampson

Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers

Vote: 6-0

Approved the following resignations:

1. KVMS Sweeper and Physical Education Aide, Amanda Scoleri, effective March 5, 2021.
2. KVSC Bus Mechanic, Jesse Oller, effective March 5, 2021.
3. KVSC Bus Aide, Adrianna Dolniak, effective March 12, 2021.

Motion: Mr. Bill Walther

Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers

Vote: 6-0

Approved the following leaves:

1. A maternity leave extension for WES Speech-Language Pathologist, Carly Dobin, effective March 29-April 30, 2021.
2. A reduction in contract for KVHS Learning Disabled Teacher, Hannah Morrow, effective May 5-7, 2021.

Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge

Second: Mr. Jeff Groen

Vote: 6-0

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Approved the following extracurricular recommendations:

1. The following KVHS extracurricular positions and coaching recommendations for the 2020-2021 school year:

Janna Witvoet	Dance Team - Coach
Robert McMillan	Golf - Volunteer Boys' Coach
Lisa Faletto	Musical - Music Director
Rita Elliott	Special Olympics - Coach
Garrett Brewster	Track - Volunteer Boys' Coach

2. Jovan Jeftich as Boys' Varsity Soccer Coach for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years.
3. Steve Ganzeveld as Girls' Tennis Coach for the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school years.
4. The following KVHS coaching recommendations for the 2021-2022 school year:

Ryan Armstrong	Football - Assistant Varsity Coach
Cody Scott	Football - Assistant Varsity Coach
Nicholas Pinn	Football - Freshmen Coach
Jeremy Rozhon	Football - Freshmen Coach
Mark Deardorff	Football - JV Coach
Justin Fuqua	Football - JV Coach
James Broyles	Football - Varsity Coach
Durrall Hale	Football - Volunteer Coach
Mike Stowers	Football - Volunteer Coach
Zach Prairie	Football - Volunteer Coach
Danny Jeftich	Soccer - Boys' Assistant Varsity Coach
Keith Luttell	Soccer - Boys' JV Coach
Mica Serdar	Soccer - Girls' Varsity Coach
David Walstra	Soccer - Girls' Assistant Varsity Coach
Bethany Clark	Soccer - Girls' JV Coach

5. The following KVMS coaching recommendations for the 2020-2021 school year:

David DeFries	Track - Boys' Coach
Katrina Vander Woude	Track - Girls' Coach

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Vote: 5-0-1
Mrs. Kristy Stowers abstained.

Approved the following certified recommendation:

1. Jessica Dutton as KVMS Seventh Grade Math Teacher on a temporary contract, effective March 1, 2021, for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year. Ms. Dutton is currently a substitute teacher and will be filling an opening due to a resignation.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

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Approved the following classified recommendations:

1. Daniel Donohoe as DeMotte Elementary School (DES) Head Custodian effective March 16, 2021. Mr. Donohoe is a current substitute athletic groundskeeper and will be filling an opening due to a retirement.
2. Jessica Jones as WES Sweeper, effective March 16, 2021, pending receipt of additional paperwork. Ms. Jones will be filling an opening due to a resignation.

Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Second: Mr. Bill Walther Vote: 6-0

Approved the agreement with Southlake Career Cooperative, as per attachment.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

Approved to grant permission for the Wheatfield Little League to install a fence, as presented.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Vote: 6-0

Approved labeling the non-working KVHS kiln as junk so that it can be disposed of.

Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

Approved to grant permission to advertise and sell the KVHS lathe due to under-use. If sold, any profit would go back into the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Performance money.

Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

Approved the purchase of a plasma cutter for the KVHS CTE program.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Bill Walther Vote: 6-0

Approved renewing a three (3) year contract with Communications Company for fire alarm inspections, fire extinguishers and kitchen hood suppression systems, and fire extinguishers for all KVSC buses and the Bus Garage.

Motion: Mrs. Katie Sampson Second: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Vote: 6-0

Approved using Aaron's Lawn Care for the 2021 mowing season.

Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Second: Mr. Bill Walther Vote: 6-0

Approved renewal of a three (3) year contract with Otis Elevator.

Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

Approved BR Bleachers to update the upper deck bleachers in the KVHS gym.

Motion: Mrs. Katie Sampson Second: Mr. Jeff Groen Vote: 6-0

Approved the revised KVSC 2021-2022 school year calendar, as attached.

Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

Approved the KVSC 2022-2023 school year calendar, as attached.

Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Second: Mr. Jeff Groen Vote: 6-0

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Approved the following Use of School Facilities:

1. Wheatfield Little League – Youth baseball and softball
WES – Baseball and softball fields
6:00 AM-10:00 PM; Sunday-Saturday; March 29-July 30, 2021
Brant Short, sponsor.
2. Wheatfield Alumni Association – Annual Alumni Banquet
HS Complex – Cafeteria
3-9:00 PM; Saturday; June 19, 2021
Eldon (Butch) Jeffries, sponsor.
3. Valley Community Players
HS Complex – Auditorium
Rehearsal –
7-9:00 PM; Tuesdays and Thursdays; June 15-July 20, 2021
Children’s Theater Performance –
10:00 AM-noon and 5-9:00 PM; Friday; June 25, 2021
Jill Steiner, sponsor.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Vote: 6-0


Communications

1. Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) Exemplary Behavior Report filed for KVHS Boys’ Varsity Basketball Team
2. KVHS awarded National Athletic Trainers’ Association Safe Sports School Award
3. KVHS Business Professionals of America State Leadership Conference
4. JCPL Community Connection – March/April 2021

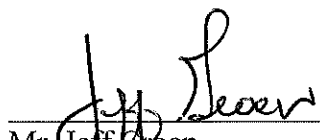
Adjournment: 6:13 PM
Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

Public Work Session immediately after the public meeting.

Executive Session followed the Public Work Session, beginning at 6:55 PM and ending at 7:35 PM.



Mrs. Jill Duttlinger
Board President



Mr. Jeff Groen
Secretary