

**KANKAKEE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD MINUTES
JULY 13, 2020**

Board President, Mrs. Jill Duttlinger, called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM with all members present.

Mr. Tim Helton read the Kankakee Valley School Corporation (KVSC) Mission Statement.

Patrons

Tom Sparks expressed his concern regarding face masks being optional rather than required for students and school personnel when classes resume. As a Kankakee Valley Middle School (KVMS) teacher with underlying health issues, he fears for his safety and feels that teachers have been 'left hanging.'

Approved the minutes of the executive session and regular meeting on June 15, 2020.

Motion: Dr. Edward Habrowski Second: Mr. Jeff Groen Vote: 7-0

Approved the Corporation Claims in the amount of \$6,014,239.72 and the Cafeteria Claims in the amount of \$54,407.92.

Motion: Mr. Jeff DeYoung Second: Ms. Lana Olson Vote: 7-0

Mike Spagna, Kankakee Valley High School (KVHS) Principal, would like the currently optional one semester course, Personal Finance, to be a graduation requirement starting with the 2021-2022 freshmen class.

Mr. Street presented the Kankakee Valley Return to School Plan. The document is a detailed plan for a safe return to school buildings on Wednesday, August 12, and will continue to evolve based on new COVID-19-related information. The plan is posted at <https://www.kv.k12.in.us/content/covid-19>. You can view it on the KVSC website as previously listed as well as an evolving Frequently Asked Questions document. These are the easiest ways to look at critical parts of the plan. Please remember that plans are subject to change based on guidance from state and local authorities. The Kankakee Valley's Return to School Plan provides a menu of instructional models and responses the district can adopt to ensure the continued success and safety of students and staff members. This would be guided by the Jasper County and Indiana State Health Departments. Highlights of the plan include social distancing to the maximum extent possible, strongly recommending face coverings for students and staff when distancing is not possible, required masking when group or lab work occurs, symptom-based screening and guidance for school attendance, policies for safer bus transportation, and procedures for enhanced sanitation procedures and handwashing/sanitizer use for students and staff. Parents with reservations about returning their child to traditional school should contact the child's building administrator on July 22 or July 23 to discuss optional programming for alternatives that meet the needs of the student.

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Approved the following retirements:

1. KVHS Math Teacher, Judy Roberts, effective at the end of the 2019-2020 school year.
2. Kankakee Valley Intermediate School (KVIS) Principal, John Shank, effective August 7, 2020.

Motion: Mr. Jeff DeYoung Second: Mr. Tim Helton Vote: 7-0

Approved the following resignations effective at the end of the 2019-2020 school year:

DeMotte Elementary School (DES)	Meghan Stalbaum	Mild Interventionist
KVHS	Lindsey Preston	Art Teacher
KVIS	Chase Estepp	Fourth Grade Teacher
KVIS	Mikinsey Pruim	Elementary Special Education Aide
KVIS	Greg Welch	Physical Education and Project Lead the Way Teacher
KVIS	Crystal Zeilmann	Elementary Art Teacher
Kankakee Valley Middle School (KVMS)	Christina Gulbrandsen	Sixth Grade Science Teacher
Wheatfield Elementary School (WES)	Jaimy Donahoe	Food Service Support Staff

KVSC Bus Aide, Kimberly Lock, effective November 26, 2019.

Motion: Mr. Jeff DeYoung Second: Mr. Jeff Groen Vote: 7-0

Approved a maternity leave for WES Third Grade Teacher, Stacey Walther, effective for the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion: Dr. Edward Habrowski Second: Ms. Lana Olson Vote: 7-0

Approved Lauren Stokes as Girls' Eighth Grade Basketball Coach for the 2020-2021 school year.
Note: Ms. Stokes was previously approved as the Girls' Seventh Grade Basketball Coach rather than Eighth Grade Coach.

Motion: Mr. Jeff DeYoung Second: Mr. Jeff Groen Vote: 7-0

Approved the following KVHS coaching resignations effective for the 2020-2021 school year:

Chase Estepp	Football – Junior Varsity Coach
Theresa Effinger	Tennis – Boys' Junior Varsity Coach

Motion: Mr. Tim Helton Second: Dr. Edward Habrowski Vote: 7-0

Approved the following KVHS coaching recommendations for the 2020-2021 school year:

Justin Fuqua	Football – Junior Varsity Coach
Thomas (Bud) Fuqua	Football – Volunteer Coach
David Walstra	Soccer – Girls' Varsity Assistant Coach

Motion: Mr. Jeff DeYoung Second: Mr. Jeff Groen Vote: 7-0

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Approved the following certified recommendations:

1. Holly Fischer KVMS Eighth Grade Math Teacher, beginning with the 2020-2021 school year and pending receipt of additional paperwork. Ms. Fischer will be filling a vacancy due to a retirement.
2. Dorothy Loslo as KVMS Mild/Intensive Interventionist, beginning with the 2020-2021 school year and pending receipt of additional paperwork. Ms. Loslo will be filling a vacancy due to a transfer.
3. Tracy Ribicki as DES Assistant Principal, effective beginning with the 2020-2021 school year. Ms. Ribicki is currently a Special Education Teacher and will be filling a vacancy due to a retirement.

Motion: Mr. Jeff DeYoung

Second: Mr. Jeff Groen

Vote: 7-0

Approved the following classified recommendations:

1. Krista O'Brien as Technology Department Secretary, beginning with the 2020-2021 school year and pending receipt of additional paperwork. Ms. O'Brien is filling a vacancy the result of a resignation.
2. Adrianna Dolniak as Bus Aide, beginning with the 2020-2021 school year. Ms. Dolniak is currently a substitute bus aide and is filling a vacancy the result of a resignation.
3. Kristi Leach as Bus Aide, beginning with the 2020-2021 school year. Ms. Leach is currently a substitute bus aide and is filling a vacancy the result of a transfer.
4. Tabitha Stanberry as Bus Driver, beginning with the 2020-2021 school year. Ms. Stanberry is currently a substitute bus driver and is filling a vacancy the result of a resignation.

Motion: Dr. Edward Habrowski

Second: Mr. Jeff Groen

Vote: 7-0

Approved Resolution #2020-7, the KVSC Reopening Plan.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen

Second: Ms. Lana Olson

Vote: 7-0

Approved Town and Country Paving for crack sealing, sealcoating, and re-striping the parking lots at DES this summer at a cost of seventeen thousand, nine hundred three dollars and one cent (\$17,903.01).

Motion: Mr. Jeff DeYoung

Second: Ms. Lana Olson

Vote: 7-0

Approved updates to the 2020-2021 Transportation Manual, as per attachment.

Motion: Dr. Edward Habrowski

Second: Mr. Jeff Groen

Vote: 7-0

Approved to acknowledge the loan of seven thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$7650.00) on June 26, 2020, from the Referendum Debt Fund to the Debt Service Fund to cover the deficit cash balance in the Debt Service Fund due to the COVID-19 related delay in the collection of property taxes. Also, to recommend approval of the repayment to the Referendum Debt Fund of said loan, per Indiana Code 36-1-8-4.

Motion: Ms. Lana Olson

Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers

Vote: 7-0

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Approved the 2020 Proposal for Summer Athletic Pay, as per attachment.

Motion: Mr. Jeff DeYoung Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 7-0

Approved Iran Floyd as a volunteer Assistant Principal at WES for the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 7-0

Approved Central Restaurant as supplier of the Refrigerated Deli Merchandiser to be utilized at the new Kougar Café in the KVHS Cafeteria.

Motion: Mr. Jeff DeYoung Second: Mr. Jeff Groen Vote: 7-0

Approved a three (3) year standard teacher contract for Don Street, KVSC Superintendent, along with the attached supplemental contract of employment effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023.

Motion: Dr. Edward Habrowski Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 7-0

Approved the following Use of School Facilities:

1. Back to School Fair/Grace Fellowship Church – Packing and distributing backpacks with school supplies
KVMS – Cafeteria, east drive, and parking lot
July 31, 2020; Friday; 8:00 AM-3:00 PM
August 1, 2020; Saturday; 8:00 AM-12:00 PM
Karen Hamstra, sponsor.

Motion: Ms. Lana Olson Second: Mr. Jeff Groen Vote: 7-0


Communications


The 2019-2020 Extracurricular Financial Reports from each school are available for review on the counter in the Board Room.

Adjournment: 5:40 PM

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Jeff DeYoung Vote: 7-0

Executive Session followed the Public Work Session, beginning at 6:00 PM and ending at 7:05 PM.


Mrs. Jill Duttlinger
Board President


Dr. Edward Habrowski
Secretary