

**KANKAKEE VALLEY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD MINUTES
JULY 12, 2021**

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

Mr. Jeff Groen read the Kankakee Valley School Corporation (KVSC) Mission Statement.

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.

Approved the minutes of the regular meeting on June 14, 2021.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen

Second: Mr. Bill Walther

Vote: 5-0-1

Abstained: Mrs. Jill Duttlinger.

Approved the Corporation Claims in the amount of \$5,528,132.49 and the Cafeteria Claims in the amount of \$12,178.21.

Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge

Second: Mr. Jeff Groen

Vote: 6-0

Assistant Superintendent, Allisa Schnick, summarized the Return to School Plan, emphasizing a change in the mask requirement which includes the option to be mandatory by building, not necessarily corporation wide. She also explained other items including student transportation, student school breakfasts, social distancing, and continued classroom disinfecting.

Approved the following resignations:

1. DeMotte Elementary School (DES) Second Grade Teacher, Angela Boezeman, effective June 22, 2021.
2. DES Second Grade Teacher, Jennifer Pulido, effective July 12, 2021.
3. DES Building Technician, Tyler Gideon, effective June 8, 2021.
4. Kankakee Valley High School (KVHS) Pre-School Education Aide, Amanda DeYoung, effective June 30, 2021.
5. KVHS Physical Education/Health Teacher, Doug Nelson, effective June 15, 2021.
6. Kankakee Valley Intermediate School (KVIS) Special Education – Life Skills Teacher, Dawn Danford, effective July 3, 2021.
7. KVIS Special Education – Mild Interventionist, Natalie Gouwens, effective July 7, 2021.
8. Kankakee Valley Middle School (KVMS) Eighth Grade Science Teacher, Erica Plotner, effective June 30, 2021.
9. KVMS Head Custodian, Saul Hernandez, effective June 16, 2021.
10. KVSC Food Service Director, Michelle Flick, effective July 23 2021.

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Resignations (CONT)

11. KVSC Summer Technology Helper, Reece Wangen, effective July 1, 2021. *Verbal resignation*

Motion: Mr. Tim Helton Second: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Vote: 6-0

Approved the following extracurricular recommendations:

1. Kimbra Johnson as KVHS Pool Director for the 2021-2022 school year.
2. Jennifer Hendon as KVMS Student Council Sponsor for the 2021-2022 school year.
3. The following KVIS sponsors/chairs for the 2021-2022 school year:

Robin Dietrich	Academic Team – Coordinator and Coach
Robin Dietrich	Coding Club Sponsor
Tanya Bessler-Roach and Barbara Law	Grade Level Co-Chairs – Grade 4 <i>Will split stipend 50/50</i>
Robin Briscuso and Lori Hamstra	Grade Level Co-Chairs – Grade 5 <i>Will split stipend 50/50</i>
Robin Dietrich	Robotics Team Sponsor

4. The following KVHS coaches for the 2021-2022 school year:

Jeff McMillan	Golf – Varsity Girls’ Golf Coach
Rob McMillan	Golf – Volunteer Assistant Girls’ Golf Coach
Ron Stanton	Golf – Volunteer Assistant Girls’ Golf Coach

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Tim Helton Vote: 5-0-1
Abstained: Mrs. Kristy Stowers

Approved the following extracurricular recommendations:

1. Tim Helton as KVMS Volunteer Football Coach for the 2021-2022 school year.
2. Tammi Helton as KVIS Yearbook Sponsor for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 5-0-1
Abstained: Mr. Tim Helton

Approved the following certified recommendations:

1. Victoria Dobrowski as a temporary substitute at DES effective August 9-October 14, 2021 pending receipt of additional paperwork. Ms. Dobrowski will be filling an opening due to a leave.
2. Mackenzie Keen as DES Second Grade Teacher beginning with the 2021-2022 school year and pending receipt of additional paperwork. Ms. Keen will be filling an opening due to a resignation.
3. Jessica McLean be employed to instruct KVIS 2021 Jump Start.
4. Holly Cooper as KVMS Sixth Grade Mathematics Teacher, beginning with the 2021-2022 school year and pending receipt of additional paperwork. Ms. Cooper will be filling a vacancy due to a transfer.
5. Samantha Buscemi as a temporary substitute at Wheatfield Elementary School (WES) effective August 9-October 14, 2021 pending receipt of additional paperwork. Ms. Buscemi will be filling an opening due to a leave.

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Certified (CONT)

6. Elizabeth Previs as WES Kindergarten Teacher beginning with the 2021-2022 school year. Ms. Previs is currently a Title I Aide and will be filling a new position due to an increase in students.

Motion: Mr. Bill Walther Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

Approved the following classified recommendations:

1. Rachel Caple as DES Title I Aide beginning with the 2021-2022 school year. Ms. Caple will be filling a new position based on student need.
2. Ruth Sharp as DES After-School Program Aide beginning with the 2021-2022 school year. Ms. Sharp will be filling a vacancy due to a resignation.
3. Brianagh Downey as KVMS Part-time Sweeper beginning July 13, 2021. Ms. Downey is currently a substitute sweeper and will be filling a vacancy due to a resignation.
4. Ciragh Downey as KVMS Part-time Sweeper beginning July 13, 2021. Ms. Downey is currently a substitute sweeper and will be filling a vacancy due to a resignation.
5. Scott Ganzeveld as KVMS Head Custodian beginning July 12, 2021. Mr. Ganzeveld will be filling a vacancy due to a resignation.
6. Tiffani Caldwell as WES Seven-hour Baker/Cook beginning with the 2021-2022 school year. Ms. Caldwell will be filling a vacancy due to a resignation.
7. Melissa Smith as KVSC Secretary beginning with the 2021-2022 school year. Ms. Smith will be filling a vacancy due to a retirement.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Tim Helton Vote: 6-0

The Board of Education of the Kankakee Valley School Corporation (KVSC) did conduct a public hearing on the 2021 KVSC Return to School Plan, and heard no patrons who objected to the proposed 2021 KVSC Return to School Plan.

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

Approved the KVSC Return to School Plan.

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

Authorized Mr. Don Street, Superintendent, and/or Mrs. Allisa Schnick to sign agreements for alternative and private residential school placements as the designee(s) for the President of the Board of Education.

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

Approved the following as KVHS Music Specialists for the 2021 calendar year.

Kyle Govert	Grace Stine
James Lowry	Morgen Tillema

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Tim Helton Vote: 6-0

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Approved the reconfiguration of work hours for the custodial staff at KVMS.
Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Second: Mr. Bill Walther Vote: 6-0

Approved a five-year agreement with Hobson, INC, to continue the Naviance Platform at a cost of \$15,000 per year/\$75,000 total. The first four years of the agreement will be paid through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) III grant funds and the final year will be funded through local funds.
Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Vote: 6-0

Approved the purchase of the corporation-wide door access system upgrade from Vermillion Systems, INC, at a cost of \$90,433.67 and will be paid through ESSER grant funds.
Motion: Mr. Bill Walther Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

Approved the purchase of the security camera storage system from HypertecDirect at a cost of \$40,053.66 and will be paid through ESSER grant funds.
Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

Approved an additional Response to Intervention Aide position at KVIS. This is due to an increase in student need and will be paid through ESSER III.
Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Bill Walther Vote: 6-0

Approved the remodeling of the WES Teachers' Staff Lounge at a total cost of \$11,053.97.
Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

Approved the KVSC Annual Financial Report, as submitted.
Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen Second: Mr. Bill Walther Vote: 6-0

Approved an additional Kindergarten teaching position at WES. This is due to an increase in kindergarten enrollment.
Motion: Mr. Stephen Eastridge Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

Approved the following Use of School Facilities:

1. Wheatfield Little League – Little League Fall Ball
WES – Baseball and softball fields
8:00 AM-10:00 PM; Monday-Saturday; August 1-November 1, 2021
Lisa Kamano, sponsor.

Motion: Mr. Bill Walther Second: Mrs. Kristy Stowers Vote: 6-0

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Use of Facilities (CONT)

Approved the following Professional Leaves:

1. Susan Kwiatkowski
Indiana New Administrators Leadership Institute
Indianapolis, IN
July 19-20, 2021.
2. Rhonda Yates
School Transportation News/Student Transportation Association of Indiana Expo
Indianapolis, IN
October 1-5, 2021.

Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen

Second: Mr. Stephen Eastridge

Vote: 6-0

Transfers

1. KVHS English Teacher, Jennifer Gilger, to Instructional Coach, beginning with the 2021-2022 school year. Ms. Gilger is filling a vacancy due to a move within the district.
2. KVHS Part-time Sweeper, Cassie Guritz, as KVIS Sweeper beginning July 13, 2021. Ms. Guritz is filling a vacancy due to a change within the building.
3. KVMS Part-time Sweepers, Devin Paul and Amanda Peterson, as KVMS Full-time Sweepers beginning August 10, 2021. Both are increasing their hours from 5.8 to 8 per day due to a reconfiguration of the KVMS sweeper schedule.

Communications

1. The 2020-2021 Extra-Curricular accounts annual financial reports are available for review on the counter in the board room.
2. Jasper County Public Library Community Connection July/August 2021

Adjournment: 6:17PM

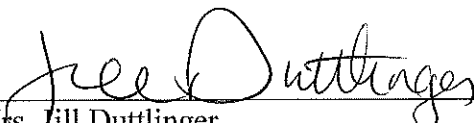
Motion: Mr. Jeff Groen

Second: Mr. Tim Helton

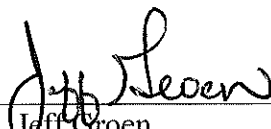
Vote: 6-0

The Public Work Session followed immediately after the meeting.

Executive Session followed the Public Work Session, beginning at 6:35 PM and ending at 6:44 PM CST.



Mrs. Jill Duttlinger
Board President



Mr. Jeff Groen
Secretary