



# Kenowa Hills Public Schools

## Education inspired.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Regular Meeting Preliminary Minutes**  
**Monday, August 22, 2022 at 7:00 pm**  
**Kenowa Hills Administration Building**  
**2325 Four Mile Road NW, Grand Rapids. MI. 49544**

**I. Routine Business**

- A. A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 pm at the Kenowa Hills Administration Building, 2325 Four Mile Rd NW, Grand Rapids, MI.
- B. President Hart opened the meeting with a moment of silence.
- C. Members Present: Courtade, Gustinis, Hart, LaBotz, Roberts, Szczepaniak and Truskoski; Superintendent Hopkins, Assistant Superintendent Dinkelmann and Director Gilchrist are also present along with student representative Elise Zahrt.
- D. Motion by Courtade supported by LaBotz to approve the agenda. **Motion approved 7 - 0.**

CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVE AGENDA

**II. Hearings and Correspondence**

- A. Recognition - Superintendent Hopkins recognizes all the staff involved with the hiring process that has been monumental this year.
- B. Correspondence - None
- C. Board Communication - Members reported on various district events in which they participated during the past couple of weeks.

RECOGNITION

CORRESPONDENCE

BOE COMMUNICATION

**III. Information Item**

- A. Superintendent Report
  - a. Staffing Update
    - 1. Superintendent Hopkins provided an update on new staff that have been hired as well as vacancies that are still pending.
    - 2. Director Gilchrist provided an update on support staff changes and pending vacancies.
  - b. Bond Construction Update
    - 1. All newly constructed spaces at the Early Childhood Center (ECC) have passed licensing inspections allowing the before and after programs to move back from Central Elementary.
    - 2. Middle School construction continues. MIOSHA was onsite today as part of their monitoring visits of construction projects.

SUPERINTENDENT  
REPORT

**IV. Public Comment - one 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.*

**V. Action Items**

- A. Motion by Courtade supported by Roberts to approve the August 8, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes. **Motion approved 7 - 0.**
- B. Motion by Szczepaniak supported by LaBotz to appoint Members Courtade, Hart and Szczepaniak to serve as the district's voting delegates and Members Truskoski, Roberts and LaBotz to serve as alternative voting delegates at the MASB 2022 Leadership Conference on Thursday, October 20 at 7:00 PM at the Grand Traverse Resort. Report #22-045. **Motion approved 7 - 0.**
- C. Motion by Truskoski supported by Roberts to approve the Underground Sprinkling Proposal from Splash Irrigation to install underground sprinkling for the identified High School Athletic Practice Fields at a cost of \$18,500 utilizing 2016 bond funds. Report #22-046. **Motion approved 7 - 0.**

**VI. Future Items for Consideration**

- A. Future Meetings
  - 1. 09/12/22 6:00 pm Committee of the Whole Meeting - Administration Building
  - 2. 09/26/22 7:00 pm Regular Board of Education Meeting - Administration Building
- B. Go-Around

**VII. Adjournment**

- A. Seeing no additional agenda items, President Hart adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Eric-John Szczepaniak, Secretary

ACTION ITEMS

08/08/22 MINUTES

DELEGATE ASSEMBLY  
Report #22-045

UNDERGROUND  
SPRINKLING FOR  
PRACTICE FIELDS  
Report #22-046

FUTURE MEETINGS

ADJOURNMENT