



# Kalkaska Public Schools

## Board of Education Regular Meeting – Minutes

Monday, February 15, 2021

Virtual ZOOM Meeting

Members Present: John Rogers, Mary Scobey, Regan Foerster, Richard Hodgman, Wendy Watson, Sarah Dudek and Rachael Birgy

Staff Present: Superintendent, Terry J. Starr, Director of Business Services, Jeffrey Scroggins, Administrators: Staci Short and Matt Rogers, Athletic Director, Martin Neuhoff and Executive Secretary, Cari Jo Roberts

<b>1. Call to Order</b>	
	The meeting was called to order by Rachael Birgy, at 4:31 p.m.
<b>2. Pledge of Allegiance</b>	
<b>3. Approval of/Amendment to the Agenda</b>	
	Motion by John S. Rogers, support by Regan Foerster, to approve the agenda as presented.  Motion Carried 6 to 0.
<b>4. Open Seat Board Member Interview(s)</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Brett Bontrager at 4:30 p.m.</li> <li>· Sarah Dudek at 5:00 p.m.</li> <li>· Sasha Miller at 5:25 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>5. Action Item</b>	
	Motion by Wendy Watson, support by Richard Hodgman, to approve the appointment of Sarah Dudek, to fill the remainder of a six-year term ending December 31, 2026. Member must run in the next general election to fulfill the term completely.  Motion Carried 6 to 0.  Ayes: Wendy Watson, Richard Hodgman, John Rogers, Regan Foerster, Mary Scobey and Rachael Birgy
<b>6. Approval of Minutes</b>	
	Motion by Mary Scobey, support by Regan Foerster, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 18, 2021, as presented.  Motion Carried 7 to 0.
<b>7. Discussion/Payment of Bills</b>	
	Motion by Mary Scobey, support by John Rogers, to approve the general and athletic fund bills in the amount of \$1,344,254.45.

	Motion Carried 7 to 0.  Ayes: Mary Scobey, John Rogers, Regan Foerster, Richard Hodgman, Wendy Watson, Sarah Dudek and Rachael Birgy
<b>8.</b>	<b>Public Communication- Persons Wishing to Address the Board (Agenda or COVID Items ONLY)</b>
	None.
<b>9.</b>	<b>Student / Staff Recognition</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· February presentation by High School Administrator, Staci Short and Athletic Director, Martin Neuhoff</li> </ul>
<b>10.</b>	<b>Report Items</b>
a.	Superintendent Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Bond Update</li> <li>· Board MASB Retreat</li> <li>· Data Presentation</li> <li>· Virtual Meetings Update</li> </ul>
b.	Committee Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Finance Operations and Policy, Chair, Mary Scobey</li> <li>· Total Compensation Committee, Jeff Scroggins</li> </ul>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Discussion Items</b>
a.	Sex Education Advisory Board Appointment – Ted Collins
b.	General Fund Budget Amendment – Jeff Scroggins
c.	Extended COVID-19 Plan Report/Approval – Matt Rogers
d.	Preparedness Plan Update Approval – Terry Starr
e.	Hiring of Staff – Martin Neuhoff and Staci Short
f.	Hiring of Administrator – Terry Starr
g.	Handbook Changes – Elementary Administrator
h.	Return to In-Person Board Meetings Resolution
<b>12.</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
a.	<i>Sex Education Advisory Board Appointment</i> Motion by Regan Foerster, support by Wendy Watson, that the Board appoints Ms. Deanna Hixson and Ms. Rebecca Hilmert as the two (2) co-chairs for the Sex Education Advisory Board.  Motion Carried 7 to 0.
b.	<i>2020-2021 General Fund Budget Amendments</i> Motion by Mary Scobey, support by Richard Hodgman, that the Board of Education approves the 2020-2021 General Fund Budget Amendment resolution, as presented, and thereby adopt the adjusted budget, reflecting \$16,868,000 of revenues and \$17,474,000 of expenditures which results in a \$606,000 reduction to the fund balance.  Motion Carried 7 to 0.

	<p>Ayes: Mary Scobey, Richard Hodgman, John Rogers, Regan Foerster, Wendy Watson, Sarah Dudek and Rachael Birgy</p>
c.	<p><i>Extended COVID-19 Plan Approval</i>  Motion by Richard Hodgman, support by Regan Foerster, that the Board of Education accepts the Kalkaska Public Schools COVID-19 Learning Plan, as previously presented.</p> <p>Motion Carried 7 to 0.</p>
d.	<p><i>Preparedness Plan Update Approval</i>  Motion by John Rogers, support by Richard Hodgman, that the Board of Education approves the KPS Preparedness Plan Update, as discussed and presented.</p> <p>Motion Carried 7 to 0.</p>
e.	<p><i>Hiring of Staff</i>  Motion by Richard Hodgman, support by Regan Foerster, that the Board approves the hiring of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Emilee Scott as the Varsity Girls’ Volleyball Head Coach and Program Leader</li> <li>· Amanda Hartzell as a 1:1 paraprofessional at the High School</li> </ul> <p>Motion Carried 7 to 0.</p> <p>Ayes: Richard Hodgman, Regan Foerster, John Rogers, Mary Scobey, Wendy Watson, Sarah Dudek and Rachael Birgy</p>
f.	<p><i>Hiring of Staff</i>  Motion by Regan Foerster, support by Mary Scobey, that the Board approves the hiring of Matt Rogers as a part-time administrator for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year, as discussed and presented.</p> <p>Motion Carried 7 to 0.</p> <p>Ayes: Regan Foerster, Mary Scobey, John Rogers, Richard Hodgman, Wendy Watson, Sarah Dudek and Rachael Birgy</p>
g.	<p><i>Elementary Handbook Changes</i>  Motion by Richard Hodgman, support by John Rogers, that the Board approves the Elementary Handbook changes, as presented.</p> <p>Motion Carried 7 to 0.</p>
h.	<p><i>Return to In-Person Board Meetings Resolution</i>  Motion by Mary Scobey, support by Regan Foerster, that the Board approves the Return to In-Person Board Meetings Resolution, as presented:</p> <p>Motion Carried 7 to 0.</p> <p>Ayes: Mary Scobey, Regan Foerster, Richard Hodgman, John Rogers, Wendy Watson, Sarah Dudek and Rachael Birgy</p>

<b>13.</b>	<b>Public Communication- Persons Wishing to Address the Board</b>
	· Josh England
<b>14.</b>	<b>Adjournment</b>
	Motion by Richard Hodgman, support by John Rogers, to adjourn. Motion Carried 7 to 0. Time adjourned: 7:25 p.m.