

REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE KENOSHA UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD  
HELD SEPTEMBER 3, 2020

A regular meeting of the Kenosha Unified School Board was held on Thursday, September 3, 2020, at 6:00 P.M. in the Board Room of the Educational Support Center. Mr. Duncan, President, presided.

The meeting was called to order at 6:23 P.M. with the following Board members present: Mr. Battle, Ms. Stevens, Mrs. Modder, Mr. Garcia, Ms. Adams, Mr. Wade (virtually), and Mr. Duncan. Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis was also present.

Mr. Duncan, President, opened the meeting by announcing that this was a regular meeting of the School Board of Kenosha Unified School District. Notice of this regular meeting was given to the public by forwarding the complete agenda to all requesting radio stations and newspapers. Copies of the complete agenda are available for inspection at all public schools and at the Superintendent's office. Anyone desiring information as to forthcoming meetings should contact the Superintendent's office.

There was not a student ambassador present.

There were no awards or recognitions.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis presented the following two Administrative Appointments: Mrs. Susan Mozinski as Principal at Bose Elementary School and Mr. Kevin Neir as the Interim Chief Human Resources Officer.

Mrs. Adams moved to approve the two Administrative Appointments as presented. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis gave the Superintendent's Report.

Mrs. Modder gave the legislative report.

Ms. Stevens moved to extend the timeframe allotted for views and comments beyond the 45 minutes. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Views and comments were made by the public.

Mrs. Modder noted the names of individuals who submitted views and comments electronically.

Board members recessed at 8:46 PM and reconvened at 8:52 P.M.

Remarks by the President were made by Mr. Duncan.

Board members considered the following Consent-Approve items:

Consent-Approve item X-A – Recommendations Concerning Appointments, Leaves of Absence, Retirements, Resignations and Separations.

Consent-Approve item X-B – Minutes of the 7/28/20 Special Meeting and Executive Session and 7/28/20 Regular Meeting.

Consent-Approve item X-C – Summary of Receipts, Wire Transfers, and Check Registers submitted by Mrs. Lisa Salo, Accounting Manager; Mr. Tarik Hamdan, Chief Financial Officer; and Dr. Sue Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“It is recommended that the July 2020 cash receipt deposits totaling \$212,573.65, and cash receipt wire transfers-in totaling \$4,998,155.43, be approved.

Check numbers 594573 through 595403 (net of voided batches) totaling \$9,483,517.84, and general operating wire transfers-out totaling \$6,753,751.07, are recommended for approval as the payments made are within budgeted allocations for the respective programs and projects.

It is recommended that the July 2020 net payroll and benefit EFT batches totaling \$18,776,470.97, and net payroll check batches totaling \$1,998.21, be approved.”

Consent-Approve item X-D – Revision of School Board Policy 1520 – Distribution of Marketing Materials to Students submitted by Mrs. Tanya Ruder, Chief Communications Officer, and Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“Policy 1520 was developed to give the superintendent or his/her designee guidance in approving materials that are distributed to students by schools from outside organizations. Currently, the policy requires review of the materials which, if approved, are then copied and delivered to schools by organizations where school administrative support professionals who then distribute to classroom staff who distribute to students via weekly folders.

To alleviate this unnecessary burden for our staff and community members, we would like to move to a virtual backpack system. This will allow organizations to submit fliers for review that, if approved, will be posted on the Community Connection portion of the website. Schools will then share a “Virtual Backpack” link in their weekly e-newsletters so families are aware of what is being offered by our community partners, organizations and others. Per policy, we will require organizations to provide fliers in English and Spanish, as well as to drop off at least 20 hard copies in both English and Spanish to have on hand in the school office for families that may not have access to technology.

In addition, schools should not have to run fliers through the district office for approval for events being held by their buildings (e.g. assembly, spirit week, etc.). As such, the internal request section has been removed so they may communicate with families as they see fit.

The overall goal for this change is to alleviate burden on our schools, streamline the process of approval to distribution for our community partners, and reduce the amount of paperwork parents/guardians receive through the use of technology.

Administration recommends that Board approve revised Policy and Rule 1520 as a second reading on Sept. 3, 2020.”

Ms. Adams moved to approve the consent agenda (Items X-A – A-D). Mr. Battle seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis introduced the Reconsideration/Discussion/Action – School 2020 Reopening Plan, Including Virtual and In-Person Instruction and Fall 2020 Return to WIAA Sports submitted by Mr. Hamdan; Mr. Kristopher Keckler, Chief Information Officer; Mrs. Ruder; Mrs. Julie Housaman; Chief Academic Officer; Ms. Susan Valeri, Chief of School Leadership; and Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“As the nation is responding to the unprecedented challenges brought upon us by the COVID-19 pandemic, thousands of schools were forced to shut down and create virtual learning experiences. Meeting these challenges requires leadership from all entities, including educators, medical professionals, parents, community members, boards of education and other vital stakeholders. Schools across the nation found themselves having to reinvent end-of-year learning and summer learning.

Many districts are realizing there is little reason to believe that a “normal” school year is within reach. In an effort to develop a plan for fall of 2020, the District created dedicated teams of experts to determine how to best educate students in the safest ways possible. The core work teams recognized that there is not a one-size-fits-all answer, and as such the Return 2020 plan was created. It took creativity and a great deal of planning to ensure the needs of all students could be met.

The RETURN 2020 core workgroups spent countless hours researching, meeting, writing, presenting, adjusting and finalizing this plan to get it to its current state. This was done in conjunction with staff, Board members, parents, students and others who provided feedback during reactor group meetings or listening sessions.

At its July 28, 2020, board meeting, the board considered the attached report (Attachment A). The following motions were voted on at the July 28, 2020, regular school board meeting:

Mr. Battle moved to approve the Return 2020 plan which gives the option of virtual or in person learning. Mr. Wade seconded the motion.

Roll call: Ayes: Mr. Battle and Mr. Wade. Noes: Ms. Stevens, Mrs. Modder, Mr. Garcia, Ms. Adams, and Mr. Duncan. Motion failed.

Ms. Adams moved to return to school as fully virtual for students with a return date for in person to be determined. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion.

Roll call: Ayes: Ms. Stevens, Mrs. Modder, Mr. Garcia, Ms. Adams, and Mr. Duncan. Noes: Mr. Battle and Mr. Wade. Motion carried.

The following motions were voted on at the August 18, 2020, special school board meeting:

Mrs. Modder moved to rescind the motion made at the July 28, 2020, meeting for students to return to school fully virtual with a return date for in person to be determined. Mr. Wade seconded.

Roll call: Ayes: Mr. Battle, Ms. Stevens, Mrs. Modder, Mr. Garcia, Ms. Adams, Mr. Wade and Mr. Duncan. Noes: None. Unanimously approved.

Ms. Adams moved to approve the original Return 2020 plan presented at the July 28, 2020 meeting which offers an in person or virtual learning option with a school start date to be moved to September 14, 2020, and also approve the WIAA's recommendation of a seasonal start date of August 24, 2020, for girls swimming and diving, boys and girls' cross country, girls golf and girls' tennis and a September 7, 2020, start date for football, boys' and girls' volleyball and boys' soccer. If a COVID surge outbreak shall occur, this issue should be revisited. Mr. Wade seconded the motion.

Roll call: Ayes: Mr. Battle, Ms. Stevens, Mrs. Modder, Mr. Garcia, Ms. Adams, Mr. Wade and Mr. Duncan. Noes: None. Unanimously approved.

August 21, 2020, the Wisconsin Education Association Council (WEAC) submitted a letter claiming that the notice for the August 18, 2020, School Board meeting did not provide notice "in such a form as is reasonably likely to apprise members of the public" of the subject matter of the meeting as required in Wis. Stat. 19.84(2). In order to comply with the requirements of state statute, the Return 2020 plan, which includes virtual and in-person learning, as well as a return to WIAA fall sports is being revisited to allow the board to reconsider the motions made at the August 18, 2020, special school board meeting and new motions to be made and voted upon.

Administration recommends that the Board of Education approve the School 2020 reopening plan, including virtual and in-person instruction as well as the fall 2020 return to WIAA sports as contained in the following links."

Mr. Patrick Finnemore, Director of Facilities; Mrs. Valeri ; Mrs. Ruder; and Attorney Lori Lubinsky (virtually) from Axley Brynelson, LLP answered questions from Board members.

Ms. Adams moved to continue the board meeting past 10 PM in accordance with Policy 8710. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Mrs. Modder moved to rescind all prior decisions of the Board regarding (1) virtual and in-person return to the 2020-21 school year; and (2) return to fall 2020 WIAA sports. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion.

Roll call: Ayes: Mr. Battle, Ms. Stevens, Mrs. Modder, Mr. Garcia, Ms. Adams, Mr. Wade and Mr. Duncan. Noes: None. Unanimously approved.

Mr. Battle moved to approve the School 2020 Reopening Plan, which includes both virtual and in-person instruction, and the Fall 2020 Return to WIAA Sports. If a COVID surge outbreak should occur, this agenda item should be revisited. Mr. Wade seconded. Roll call.

Roll call: Ayes: Mr. Battle, Mrs. Modder, Mr. Garcia, Mr. Wade and Mr. Duncan. Noes: Ms. Stevens and Ms. Adams. Motion carried.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis presented the Before and After School Activities, Clubs and Other Sports submitted by Mrs. Kimberly Fischer, Regional Coordinator of School Leadership; Ms. Valeri; Mr. Scott Plank, Coordinator of Fine Arts; Mrs. Cheryl Kothe, Coordinator of Career and Technical Education; Mrs. Housaman; and Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“Kenosha Unified School District provides a wide variety of before and after school activities for students. Due to health and wellness concerns related to the spread of COVID 19 before and after school activities, clubs and events will not offer in-person meetings, performances or attend competitions for the duration of the public health crisis, unless those groups are able to provide a health safety plan to mitigate risks for students, directors, advisors and club leaders. All activities, clubs and other sports, if offered, may begin on or after September 14, 2020.

For activities, clubs and other sports in which a virtual option is not possible, advisors for all before and after school activities, clubs and other sports shall develop a written health safety plan in collaboration with like activity, club or sports advisors or coaches to offer in-person activities, clubs or other sports for students. Health safety plans shall include the following information: health screening requirements prior to gathering, activity, club or sport specific information, protocols for all meetings, guidelines for safe sharing of equipment or materials and when applicable procedures for hydration. The plans shall also include the specific responsibilities for all advisors, coaches, etc. to ensure the health safety plan is implemented accordingly.

This is an informational report.”

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis presented Revision to School Board Policy 8850 – School Board Committees, excerpts follow:

“As a follow up to the October 15, 2019 special school board meeting, October 21, 2019 reminder included in the board calendar document, and the June 19, 2020 email where board members were asked to share thoughts and recommendations in regards to Policy 8850 – School Board Committees, attached is the proposed revised policy to be considered as a first reading.

Initial suggested additions to the policy included:

- An addition of two District staff members added to the committees;
- Committee meetings will be held quarterly each school year on the second Tuesday - October, February, April and June, unless otherwise noted, instead of monthly; and
- Attendance expectation of committee members will be changed from 80% expectancy to missing no more than one meeting per year.

The policy was approved as a first reading at the July 28, 2020 regular school board meeting and the following suggested changes made at that meeting have been incorporated into the revised policy:

- In the first paragraph of the policy, remove “as” from the added language “engage as stakeholders in issues”;

- In the second paragraph of the policy, do not remove “with option of renewal at the chair’s discretion”;
- In the sixth paragraph of the policy, change the word “intermediary” to “avenue” or “liaison”;
- Above the last paragraph of the policy, insert the following sentence: “Minutes shall be kept of all standing committee meetings.”;
- In the last paragraph of the policy, change “Board committee meetings” to “Board standing committee and ad hoc committees”;
- In A-2 of the Rule, include “teachers”;
- In B-3 of the Rule, do not remove “The committee chairs”; and
- In the Personnel Committee organizational chart, keep the last strikeout with the exception of removing “or policy”.

It is recommended that Policy 8850 – School Board Committees be approved as a second reading at the September 3, 2020 regular school board meeting.”

Ms. Adams moved to approve Policy 8850 – School Board Committees as a second reading. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis presented the 2020-2023 Integrated Library Media and Technology Plan submitted by Mrs. Annie Fredriksson, Coordinator for Instructional Technology and Library Media; Mrs. Housaman; Mr. Keckler; and Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“Over the past three years, Kenosha Unified has worked to implement various components of the previous Integrated Library Media and Technology Plan. Some of the identified areas include: large expansion of the network infrastructure, including increased security with firewall and content filter replacements and increased instructional resources for teacher training. Additional technology purchases allowed a move to a more equitable distribution of technology among the student population with a comprehensive 1:1 mobile device program. Increased accuracy of device tracking and usage reporting with inventory controls. A KUSD technology leadership committee (Appendix A) has reviewed the existing plan, and provided updated revisions for the new three-year cycle. Though the state requirement for this process changed in 2013, DPI strongly encourages Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to continue the process for awareness and alignment to strategic goals and initiatives. These plans are inclusive of the required planning expectations related to funds and projects for school libraries. KUSD has supported and previously signed the Future Ready District Pledge ([http://futureready.org/about-the-effort/take-thepledge/?search=&field\\_56d9bc8f9f5a0=WI](http://futureready.org/about-the-effort/take-thepledge/?search=&field_56d9bc8f9f5a0=WI)). This pledge presents a commitment to improving the technology integration and overall support for quality digital learning. To date, over 3,400 school district superintendents have signed this pledge. This represents over 20 million students and more than 2 million educators who are working to establish quality technology integration into the learning environment. Based on a desire to define evidence-based approaches to manage this process, the U.S. Department of Education and the American Institutes for Research (AIR) published a rubric on the characteristics of Future Ready Leadership (<https://tech.ed.gov/leaders/research/>). Kenosha Unified leadership will continue to review and integrate the strategies for improved digital learning when possible.

Administration recommends that the Board of Education review and accept the 2020-2023 Integrated Library Media and Technology Plan at the September 3, 2020, regular Board meeting.”

Mr. Battle moved to approve the 2020-2023 Integrated Library Media and Technology Plan. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis presented the Gang Prevention Education Program submitted by Ms. Valeri and Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“The Boys & Girls Club of Kenosha (BGCK) and the Kenosha Unified School District (KUSD) have enjoyed a partnership for more than 20 years working collaboratively to address the issue of gang involvement and delinquency issues in our community. The district provides financial support the BGCK needs to monitor, supervise and mentor youth in gang prevention groups, while working on anger management, team building, job skills development, gang resistance, and social and delinquency issues.

The Boys and Girls Club of Kenosha has supervised and mentored 50 youth in gang prevention programs at our middle and high schools. The Year End Report (Attachment A) is included in this report. Even through the pandemic, the staff at the Boys and Girls Club continued to connect with our students and staff through home visits, Zoom meetings, Face-time and Google Duo.

The goals for the Gang Prevention Education Program (Attachment B) also include a plan for virtual connections with students and staff if needed. The partnership with KUSD, the juvenile justice office and the Boys and Girls Club is invaluable.

The Boys and Girls Club has included the staff names, titles, position that they hold and a brief summary of their job responsibilities (Attachment C).

The final document in this report is the Memorandum of Understanding (Attachment D) between Boys and Girls Club of Kenosha and the Kenosha Unified School District.

Administration recommends that the School Board approve entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Kenosha for Gang Prevention Education Program.”

Mr. Jake McGhee, CEO of Boys & Girls Club of Kenosha, was present (virtually) and answered questions from board members.

Mr. Battle moved to approve entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Kenosha for Gang Prevention Education Program. Ms. Stevens seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis resented the Provisions Governing the Transportation of Students Attending Public and Private Schools for the 2020-2021 Year submitted by Mr. Jeff Marx, Transportation Supervisor; Mr. Finnemore; and Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“Administration recommends that the school board approve the Provisions Governing the Transportation of Students Attending Public and Private Schools for the 2020-2021 year as contained in this report. These provisions relate to Board Policies 3511 and 3514.”

Ms. Stevens moved to approve the Provisions Governing the Transportation of Students Attending Public and Private Schools for the 2020-2021 year. Mr. Battle seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis presented the Expulsion Independent Hearing Officer submitted by Ms. Valeri and Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“Administration brings forth a recommendation concerning the appointment of Hearing Officers to assist the District with any expulsion hearings for the upcoming school year. Hearing Officers are paid \$100 for the first hour and \$25 for every 15 additional minutes after the first hour not to exceed \$300 for each hearing.

Hearing Officers are part time employees that are called upon when needed for expulsion hearings. The two people being recommended for the 2020-2021 school year are: Ms. Wheeler who is returning to us for another year and Ms. Zimmerman who is new to us this year. She will be going through some training by Von Briesen & Roper attorneys for the position of Hearing Officer.

Administration recommends that the Board of Education authorize the appointment of Nancy Wheeler and Jacalyn Zimmerman as Hearing Officers for the purpose of expulsion hearings during the 2020-2021 school year at the rate of \$100 for the first hour and \$25 for every 15 additional minutes after the first hour not to exceed \$300 per hearing. It is also recommended that the Board approve Resolution 364 – Resolution to Authorize Independent Hearing Officers to Determine Pupil Expulsions During the 2020-2021 School Year.”

Ms. Adams moved to appoint Nancy Wheeler and Jacalyn Zimmerman as Hearing Officers for the purpose of expulsion hearings during the 2020-2021 school year at the rate of \$100 for the first hour and \$25 for every 15 additional minutes after the first hour not to exceed \$300 per hearing. Mr. Wade seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Mrs. Modder presented Resolution 364 – Resolution to Authorize Independent Hearing Officers to Determine Pupil Expulsions During the 2020-2021 School Year which read as follows:

“WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 120.13(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes, a school board may adopt a resolution authorizing independent hearing officers appointed by the school board to determine pupil expulsions from school under Wis. Stat. §§ 120.13(1)(e)2. through 120.13(1)(e)4.; and

WHEREAS, such a resolution authorizing the use of an independent hearing officer to determine pupil expulsion is effective only during the school year in which it is adopted; and



WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Kenosha Unified School District desires to authorize the use of independent hearing officer to determine pupil expulsions for the 2020-2021 school year;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE KENOSHA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT that, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 120.13(1)(e), the Board of Education authorizes independent hearing officers appointed by the Board of Education to determine pupil expulsion matters for the 2020-2021 school year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education shall, by motion, appoint one or more individuals who, in the judgment of the Board, are qualified to serve in the capacity of an independent hearing officer under Section 120.13(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes; and, thereafter, the Superintendent or any administrative designee of the Superintendent may select any individual who has been so appointed to hear and determine, subject to the Board of Education's review of any expulsion order, any pupil expulsion matter that arises in the school year in which this Resolution is effective.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the officers, employees, and agents of the Kenosha Unified School District are authorized and directed, to the extent consistent with applicable law and Board of Education policy, to do any and all things reasonably necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Kenosha Unified School District Board of Education approve Nancy Wheeler and Jacalyn Zimmerman as Expulsion Independent Hearing Officers for the 2020-2021 school year as filed with the secretary to the Board of Education. This Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education and is recorded in the minutes of the Board of Education meeting held on the 3 day of September, 2020.”

Ms. Stevens moved to approve Resolution to Authorize Independent Hearing Officers to Determine Pupil Expulsions During the 2020-2021 School Year. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis introduced Mrs. Maria Kotz, Principal at Reuther Central High School; Mr. Jennifer Folkers, Coordinator of Professional Development; Mrs. Jennifer Hart, Coordinator of Human Resources – Recruitment and Retention; and Ms. Bethany Ormseth, Principal at LakeView Technology Academy and they gave a Commitment to Equity PowerPoint presentation which covered the following topics: equity mission, equity vision, equity core values, Wisconsin data review, state wide achievement data - all students, state wide concern - African American and Hispanic, 2019-2020 exploration, seven commitments, leading the work, equity analysis, equitable access, culture of excellence, diversity/racism/inclusive-equity trainings, welcoming environment, equitable workforce, partnerships, and next steps.

Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis introduced the KUSD Policy and Related Waiver Items for School Year 2020-21 submitted Mrs. Housaman, Ms. Valeri, Mr. Keckler, and Dr. Savaglio-Jarvis, excerpts follow:

“On April 27, 2020, the Kenosha Unified School Board approved a series of requests for local and state accountability waivers. These waivers were a direct result of the COVID19

Pandemic. On August 18, 2020 the School Board voted to start the 2020-21 school year with students attending either in-person or fully virtual, with other operational and instructional conditions still under revision and refinement. As the pandemic continues to cause school districts to develop and adjust plans with very little lead time, some of these waivers will have variable impact depending on the allowable conditions and other external factors (i.e. legislative orders).

Chapter 118.38 of the Wisconsin State Statutes outlines the legal authority for school boards to request and for DPI to grant waivers from certain state laws and administrative rules. Under this provision, school boards can request a waiver from DPI of any school board or school district requirement outlined in Chapters 115 to 121 of the State Statutes or in related administrative rules, with the following important exceptions: the health or safety of pupils, pupil discrimination under s. 118.13, the pupil assessment program under s. 118.30 and the standardized reading test required under s. 121.02 (1) (r), pupil records under s. 118.125, the collection of data by the department, the uniform financial fund accounting system under ss. 115.28 (13) and 115.30 (1) and audits of school district accounts under s. 120.14, licensure or certification under s. 115.28 (7) or (7m) other than the licensure of the school district administrator or business manager, the commencement of the school term under s. 118.045, and the requirements established for achievement guarantee contracts under s. 118.43 and for achievement gap reduction contracts under s. 118.44.

The law requires the local school board to hold a public hearing (virtually if needed) in the school district and requires the school board to specify in its request for a waiver its reason for requesting the waiver. Once approved, waivers will be effective for one year, and renewable for additional one year periods. At this time, administration would ask the KUSD School Board to endorse waiver considerations for the following state regulations: kindergarten as a prerequisite for first grade - 118.33 (6)(cm), length of school day - 120.12(15), and hours of instruction - PI 8.01(2)(f)."

Ms. Stevens read Resolution 365 – School Board Resolution for the Waiver of Certain School Board or School District Requirements Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 118.38(1) and (1m) which read as follows:

"WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. §118.38(1) and Wis. Admin. § PI 8.01(4) authorize school boards to request the Department of Public Instruction to waive any school board or school district requirement in Wis. Stat. chs. 115 to 121 or in the administrative rules promulgated by the Department under the authority of those chapters; and

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. §118.38(1)(b) requires that before requesting a waiver, a school board shall hold a public hearing in the school district on the request for a waiver of any requirement in Wis. Stat. chs. 115 to 121; and

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. §§ 120.12(1) and 12.44(2) authorize the Board of Education to have the possession, care, control and management of the property and affairs of the school district; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized COVID-19 as a pandemic; and WHEREAS, since Mid-March, 2020, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 323.10, Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers has issued multiple executive orders declaring a

public health emergency in all counties of the state as a result of the coronavirus pandemic (COVID19) while also attempting multiple initiatives to address, reduce, and prevent further spread of the coronavirus pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that:

1. On September 3, 2020, the Kenosha School Board of Education held a public hearing, in satisfaction of Wis. Stat. §118.38(1)(b), concerning requests for waivers of the requirements identified herein; and

2. In compliance with Wis. Stat. §§ 118.38(1) and (1m), and for the reasons set forth herein, the Board of Education hereby directs the District Administrator or her designee to apply, on behalf of the Board, to the Office of the Superintendent for Public Instruction (OSPI) for the waiver of the following:

a. Waiver of the requirement of Wis. Stat. § 118.33(6)(cm) and the administrative rules promulgated by the department regarding Kindergarten as a prerequisite for first grade for the 2020-21 school year only due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

b. Waiver of the requirement of Wis. Stat. § 120.12(15) and the administrative rules promulgated by the department regarding 135 Length of the School Day for the 2020-21 school year only due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

c. Waiver of the requirement of Wis. Stat. § 121.02(1)(f) and Wis. Stat. § 121.006(2)(a) and the administrative rules promulgated by the department regarding the hours of instruction for the 2020-21 school year only due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that execution of this Resolution is conclusive evidence of the Board of Education's approval of this action and of the authority granted herein at a duly-noticed meeting of the Board held on September 3, 2020."

Mr. Battle moved to approve Resolution 365 – School Board Resolution for the Waiver of Certain School Board or School District Requirements Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 118.38(1) and (1m). Mr. Garcia seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Ms. Adams presented the Donations to the District.

Ms. Adams moved to approve the Donations to the District. Mrs. Modder seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Ms. Stevens moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Adams seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 P.M.

Stacy Schroeder Busby  
School Board Secretary