

A SPECIAL MEETING OF  
THE KENOSHA UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD  
HELD JANUARY 16, 2025

A special meeting of the Kenosha Unified School Board was held on Thursday, January 16, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the John J. Hosmanek Educational Support Center. The purpose of this meeting was for an the Kenosha School of Technology Enhanced Curriculum (KTEC) Transition From a District Instrumentality Charter School to a district School of Choice, Change of School name to LakeView K-8 Academy, and Consideration of Mutual Termination Agreement and Resolution, Review for the January 28, 2025 Regular Board Meeting, Verbal Updates, and Views and Comments by the Public.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mr. Tierney, Mrs. Landry, Ms. Stevens and Mrs. Modder. Dr. Weiss, Mr. Haithcock, Mr. Hamdan, Mr. Keckler, Mr. Neir, Mrs. Ruder, and Mrs. Tindall were also present. Mr. Price arrived later. Mrs. Schmaling and Ms. Adams were excused.

Mrs. Modder, President, opened the meeting by announcing that this was a special meeting of the School Board of the Kenosha Unified School District. Notice of this special meeting was given to the public by forwarding a copy of the notice to all requesting radio stations and newspapers.

Mr. Price arrived at 5:03 p.m.

Dr. Weiss presented the Kenosha School of Technology Enhanced Curriculum (KTEC) Transition From a District Instrumentality Charter School to a District School of Choice and Change of School Name to LakeView K-8 Academy submitted by Mr. William Haithcock, Chief of School Leadership; Mr. Tarik Hamdan, Chief Finance Officer; Mr. Kristopher Keckler, Chief Information Officer; and Dr. Weiss.

Mrs. Landry moved to approve the resolution terminating the Charter School Contract with the Kenosha School of Technology Enhanced Curriculum, Inc. effective January 24, 2025, which provides for the following:

- Removal the charter status for KTEC as an instrumentality charter school and conversion of the school to a district choice school (PK-8);
- Approval to name the new choice school "LakeView K-8 Academy";
- The continuation of the use the existing state numbers regarding school accountability measures; and
- Ensure all currently enrolled KTEC students, who were previously accepted through the approved charter enrollment process, retain their enrollment offering for the new LakeView K-8 Academy choice school.

Said resolution reads as follows:

Be it resolved that the Kenosha Unified School District No. 1 Board of Education hereby terminates the Charter School Contract with Kenosha School of Technology Enhanced Curriculum, Inc. effective January 24, 2025.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wis. Stat. 118.40(2m), the Kenosha Unified School District No. 1 Board of Education ("Board") entered into a Charter School Contract with the Kenosha School of Technology Enhanced Curriculum, Inc. ("KTEC") for the establishment of an instrumentality charter school;

WHEREAS, Board and KTEC are currently operating pursuant to a Charter School Contract dated July 1, 2023, which extends for a term of five (5) years through June 30, 2028;

WHEREAS, Board learned of concerns regarding the commingling of funds between KTEC and an independent charter school, KTEC High School;

WHEREAS, Board and KTEC desire to mutually terminate the Charter School Contract; and

WHEREAS, Board and KTEC desire to enter into a Mutual Termination Agreement setting forth the terms and conditions pertaining to the mutual termination.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board makes the following findings and orders the following:

The Recitals set forth above are true and accurate and are hereby incorporated into this Resolution.

The meeting at which this Resolution is considered complies with the open meetings law under Wis. Stat. § 19.83 and Wis. Stat. § 19.84.

The Board approves the Mutual Termination Agreement terminating the Charter School Contract with KTEC effective January 24, 2025, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

The Board shall remove charter status for KTEC as an instrumentality charter school and convert the school to a KUSD choice school (PK-8th grade).

The Board approves the KUSD choice school to be named "LakeView K-8 Academy."

The Board shall continue to use existing state reporting numbers regarding school accountability measures.

The Board shall ensure all currently enrolled KTEC students, who were previously accepted through the approved charter enrollment process, retain their enrollment offering for the new LakeView K-8 Academy choice school.

The Board grants District Administration the authority to take all other action appropriate and necessary to effectuate the termination of the KTEC Charter School Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board terminates the Charter School Contract with KTEC effective January 24, 2025, and grants enrollment rights to all currently enrolled KTEC students who were previously accepted through the existing charter enrollment process, for respective grade levels at the LakeView K-8 Academy for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year.

Adopted and recorded at a duly noticed meeting of the Board held on January 16, 2025. Seconded by Mr. Tierney. Unanimously approved.

Administration presented the following items and board members asked questions throughout the meeting:

- Discussion - Policy 5200 – School Admissions and Discontinuance of Policy (Second Reading)
- Discussion - Policy 5475 – Students with Disabilities (Second Reading)
- Discussion - Policy 5570 – Crisis Management/Suicide (Second Reading)
- Discussion - Policy 6421 – Services for Students with Disabilities (Second Reading)
- Discussion - Policy 6311 – Reading Instruction (First Reading)
- Discussion - Early Literacy Remediation Plan
- Discussion - Closed School Sites Redevelopment Agreement and Relocation of Hillcrest School
- Discussion - Summer School Program Proposal
- Discussion - Community Liaison Partnership – Kenosha County Department of Human Services
- Discussion - KUSD School Safety Committee Update
- Discussion - Open Enrollment Allocations 2025-2026 School Year
- Discussion - Approval of One-Year Extension of Superintendent's Employment Contract
- Discussion - Black History Month Resolution

Dr. Weiss presented a verbal update on Policy 6700 – Extracurricular Activities and Programs and Policy 6770 – Interscholastic Athletics.

A view and/or comment was made by the public.

Motion to Adjourn made by Ms. Stevens. Second by Mrs. Landry. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Stacy Schroeder  
Executive Assistant