

**Special Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Kearney Public Schools Board of Education**  
**Kearney Public Schools Board of Education**  
**Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 5:00 PM**  
**1st floor Administration Building Conference Room**  
**320 W 24th Street**  
**Kearney, NE 68845**

**1. Call to Order**

President Gaasch called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM

**2. Open Meetings Act Announcement**

This is an open, public meeting of the Kearney Public Schools Board of Education, and a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in this room.

**3. Board Meeting Decorum Expectations**

**4. Roll Call**

Attendance Taken at 5:01 PM.

Amy Barth: Absent

Drew Blessing: Present

Steve Gaasch: Present

Kathy Gifford: Present

Paul Hazard: Present

John Icenogle: Present

**4.A. Excuse Absent Board Member**

Move to excuse absent Board member Amy Barth from the meeting. This motion, made by John Icenogle and seconded by Drew Blessing, Passed.

Amy Barth: Absent, Drew Blessing: Yea, Steve Gaasch: Yea, Kathy Gifford: Yea, Paul Hazard: Yea, John Icenogle: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

**5. Approval of Agenda**

Move to approve the agenda of the meeting, as presented. This motion, made by John Icenogle and seconded by Drew Blessing, Passed.

Amy Barth: Absent, Drew Blessing: Yea, Steve Gaasch: Yea, Kathy Gifford: Yea, Paul Hazard: Yea, John Icenogle: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

**6. Public Participation/Comment**

- None

**7. Agenda**

7.A. Preview of the May 13, 2024 Regular Meeting Agenda

- 7.A.I. Recognition of the KHS Music Program for Receiving the Exemplary Program Award from the Nebraska Music Education Association (NMEA)
- 7.A.II. Recognition of KHS FBLA Advisor Kaylei Becker and State Winners and National Qualifiers, Brodie McConville and Lincoln Sanny
- 7.A.III. KHS Report on the Class of 2024 Academic and Scholarship Achievements
- 7.A.IV. Legislative Update
- 7.A.V. NASB Legislative Committee Report
- 7.A.VI. 2024 Federal Advocacy Washington DC Report
- 7.A.VII. Approval of the KHS Boys Basketball Trip to the Gold Crown Tournament, in Denver, Colorado, June 12-16, 2024
- 7.A.VIII. Approval of the KHS Boys Basketball Trip to the Midwest Showcase Tournament, in Kansas City, Missouri, June 21-23, 2024
- 7.A.IX. Approval of the KHS Girls Basketball Trip to the Midwest Showcase Tournament, in Kansas City, Missouri, June 13-15, 2024
- 7.A.X. Acceptance of the Resignation of JD Carson
- 7.A.XI. Approval of the Employment of Certificated Staff - Elisabeth Backes, Christi Burrows, Jody Dellevoet, Jana Seier
- 7.A.XII. Approval of Student Fees for the 2024-2025 School Year
- 7.A.XIII. Approval of the Purchase Agreement for the Sale of the Construction Technology Class Project House
- 7.A.XIV. Approval of the Three-Year Contract with Imagine Learning for the Purchase of Edgenuity 6-12 On-line Coursework, in the Amount of \$113,700
- 7.A.XV. Approval of the Six-Year Contract with McGraw Hill for the Purchase of Reveal Math Curriculum, in the Amount of \$163,093.42
- 7.A.XVI. Approval of the One-Year Contract with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt for the Purchase of Math 180 and Read 180, Digital and Printed Materials, in the Amount of \$47,902
- 7.A.XVII. Approval of the Second and Final Reading of Revised Policy 3350 - Staff Travel and Reimbursement (*replacing previous Board Policies 3350 & 3360*)
- 7.A.XVIII. Set the Date of Monday, June 24, 2024 at 6:00 PM for the Summer Special Retreat Meeting of the Board of Education in the Staff Development Room
- 7.B. 2024 Summer Construction Update
- 7.C. Middle School Enrollment
- 7.D. Update on the KPS Library Book Selection, De-selection, Reconsideration Processes and Other District Action Steps for the 2024-2025 School Year

7.E. Board Policy Revision Timeline/Next Steps

7.F. Topics for Summer Retreat on Monday, June 24, 6:00 to 9:00 PM in the Staff Development Room

- A decision was made to change the date of the Board of Education Summer Retreat Meeting to June 17, 2024.

7.F.I. Middle School Enrollment Issues

7.F.II. School Calendars (KCLC, Pre-K)

7.F.III. Virtual High School

7.F.IV. 2024-2025 Budget

7.F.V. Future Construction Projects

## 8. Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Move to adjourn the meeting. This motion, made by John Icenogle and seconded by Drew Blessing, Passed.

Amy Barth: Absent, Drew Blessing: Yea, Steve Gaasch: Yea, Kathy Gifford: Yea, Paul Hazard: Yea, John Icenogle: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Notice of Meeting

This meeting was publicized in the Kearney Hub on May 4, 2024; radio stations KGFW and KKPR; and KSNB and KHGI T.V.

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Kathy Gifford, Secretary