SPARTA AREA SCHOOLS April 14, 2025 Board of Education Offices



REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President Andy Jensen.

Members present: Jensen, VanStrien, Alster, Eluskie, Bormes, Driscoll

Members absent: Bremer

COMMUNCATIONS:

- A. All-State Athletes: Spartan wrestling, bowling and hockey athletes were recognized and celebrated for their outstanding athletic achievements, earning all-state honors.
- **B.** Spartan Of the Month: Wendy Allen, EL teacher at Sparta Middle School, was honored as the April Spartan of the Month.
- C. Academic Spotlight: Wendy Allen, EL teacher at Sparta Middle School, highlighted the work being accomplished with our EL students at SMS.
- D. Building/Program Communications: Updates were provided by building principals and administrators.
- E. Audience Comments/Public Participation: None

CONSENT AGENDA/APPROVAL:

- A. Previous Minutes: to accept the minutes from the March 10, 2025 meeting.
- B. Personnel Report: to accept the personnel recommendations as presented by Superintendent Stoner.
- **C. District Donations:** to accept the donations submitted as presented by Superintendent Stoner.
- D. Treasurer's Report: to accept the Treasurer's recommendation to approve the following expenditures:

General Fund	\$715,108.62	Debt Retirement	-
Sinking Fund	\$20,284.29	2019 Bond Series 1	-
Student Activities	\$24,935.87	2019 Bond Series 2	\$11,155.00
Food Service Fund	\$131,848.65	Payroll Fund	\$1,252,589.24
		TOTAL	\$ 2,155,921.67

Motion by Bormes, supported by VanStrien, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **A. Social Emotional learning Resource Adoption:** Allison Dykstra presented the recommendation from staff for the purchase of a new K-8 and 9-12 resource.
- **B.** K-5 Literacy Resource Adoption: Steve Johnson presented the recommendation from the elementary staff for the purchase of a K-5 literacy resource.
- **C. 2025 Kent ISD Biennial Election:** The Board considered designating a Board member and one alternate to act for the Board of Education in casting a vote for the election of the KISD Board.
- **D. Board Policy 5460 Graduation Requirements-First Reading:** The Board reviewed the revision to Policy 5460.
- **E. Chartwells Annual Contract Renewal:** The Board reviewed the contract renewal with Chartwells, as required through the Michigan Department of Education.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

- A. Kent ISD Enhancement Millage: November 2025
- B. Thrun Law Notes: March 2025
- C. Board Workshop: April 28, 2025
- D. Roundtable Discussion:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Alster, supported by VanStrien, to adjourn the meeting at 9:10pm.

Motion carried: 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark L Alster

Board of Education Secretary Sparta Area Schools