



REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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

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

Members absent: None

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Building/Program Communications:** Updates were provided by building principals and administrators.
- B. Strategic Plan Summaries:** Committee Chairs for each of the four goal areas this school year presented to the Board on the progress made toward the SAS Strategic Plan goals.
- C. Audience Comments/Public Participation:** None

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Resolution Authorizing Sparta Area Schools' Membership in West Michigan Health Insurance Pool (WMHIP):** As a requirement of PA 106, the Board considered the resolution to authorize membership in WMHIP and in doing so, assigned the name of the trustee and alternate to The Pool Board.
- B. Board Policy 5460-Graduation Requirements – Second Reading:** The Board reviewed the revised board policy 5460 as presented for the second time.
Motion by Alster, supported by Bormes, to move Board Policy 5460 item to Action Items.
Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays
- C. Board Policy Updates – First Reading:** The Board reviewed the Spring 2025 policy updates as a first reading.
- D. L-4029 2025 Tax Rate Request:** The District is in the process of receiving the 2025 tax rates for Kent and Ottawa Counties. The Board will be asked to approve the rates in a future meeting.
- E. Filter First Grant Bids:** The Board is asked to review bids to install hydration stations in district buildings to meet the requirements of the new Filter First legislation.

CONSENT AGENDA/APPROVAL:

- A. Previous Minutes:** to accept the minutes from the March 24, 2025 workshop, the April 14, 2025 meeting and the April 28, 2025 workshop.
- 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	\$1,199,703.06	Debt Retirement	-
Sinking Fund	\$49,358.09	2019 Bond Series 2	\$119,957.00
Student Activities	\$21,911.04	Payroll Fund	\$1,479,321.54
Food Service Fund	\$151,759.00		
		TOTAL	\$ 3,022,009.73

E. KISD General Budget: to accept the general budget for 2025-2026 of Kent Intermediate School District as presented.

Motion by Bormes, supported by Eluskie, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

ACTION ITEMS:

A. SEL Resource Adoption: The Board was asked to consider adopting the purchase of the recommended SEL Curriculum – Second Steps for K-8th grades and TRAILS for 9th-12th grades.

Motion by Eluskie, supported by VanStrien, to approve purchase of the SEL Resource Second Steps and TRAILS as presented.

Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

B. K-5th Grade Literacy Resource Adoption: The Board was asked to consider adopting the purchase of the recommended K-5th grade Literacy curriculum – Wonders.

Motion by Alster, supported by Bremer, to approve the purchase of the K-5th grade literacy resource WONDERS as presented.

Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

C. Board Policy 5460-Graduation Requirements: The Board was asked to approve Board Policy 5460-Graduation Requirements as presented.

Motion by Driscoll, supported by Bremer, to approve updated Board Policy 54-60 as presented.

Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

D. Chartwells Contract Renewal-MDE: The Board was asked to consider, as required buy the Michigan Department of Education, to approve the cost reimbursables as agreed to with Chartwells and the District. Motion by Bormes, supported by Alster, to approve the cost reimbursables as agreed to with Chartwells as presented.

Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

E. 2025 Kent ISD Biennial Election: The Board was asked to designate the SAS Board member and Alternate to cast the Board's vote and to consider the candidates running for the KIASB Board of Directors and submit their preferred representatives.

Motion by Bormes, supported by Alster to designate VanStrien as the designated representative and Eluskie as the alternate to elect the candidates for the Kent ISD Board vacancies.

Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

A. Thrun Law Notes: April 2025

B. Board Workshop: None this month

C. Roundtable Discussion:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Bremer, supported by Driscoll, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm.

Motion carried: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark L Alster

Board of Education Secretary
Sparta Area Schools